

Ash Cartwright and Kelsey CEP School



Friday 17 November 2017

Newsletter No: 10

Dear Parents/Carers

Ash Cartwright and Kelsey football team are definitely on a winning streak! They won again last night against Aylesham Primary School - a big well done to the team and Mr Hayes for his dedication and commitment.

The children looked fabulous in their spotty clothes today - I saw some very individual outfits. Thank you for all your donations, we managed to raise

It was lovely to catch up with so many of you at our parent teacher meetings this week. I had very positive feedback about the meetings being held in the classrooms - it does enable parents and carers to see the learning environments and talk in confidence. We are looking at the responses to the parent questionnaires and we will share the results with you once we have them.

If you are the parent of a child in Fledglings, Wrens or Robins - remember it is our phonics talk on Wednesday 22nd November at 2.30pm. I look forward to seeing you there - there will be tasks for parents to complete and get involved!

Thank you for your continued support

Fiona Crascall

Headteacher

Ash Cartwright and Kelsey raised **£153.50** for **Children in Need** on Friday. Well done everyone!

Staffing

Mrs Tanton Brown is still unwell and will not be returning before Christmas. The class will continue to be covered by Mrs Amos and Mr Benson in the short term. From the 28th November Mr Benson will be covering full-time.

Attendance - 6th November to 10th November 2017

Fledglings	93%
Year R Wrens	99%
Year 1 Robins	96%
Year 2 Magpies	100%
Year 3 Owls	97%
Year 4 Hawks	95%
Year 5 Eagles	98%
Year 6 Falcons	97%
Punctuality Penguin Award	Eagles
Attendance Alligator Award	Magpies

At Ash Cartwright and Kelsey we regularly monitor the attendance of each child and we expect every child to be in school every day aiming for 100% attendance. However, we know that sometimes absence from school is unavoidable due to genuine illness and sometimes exceptional circumstances. Attending school regularly and being on time is really important and for this reason holidays/leave will only be authorised by Mrs Crascall in exceptional circumstances. Please contact Mrs Ash, our Attendance Officer in the office if you have any questions about whether you should keep your child off school. A guidance leaflet will be sent out shortly to answer all of your questions.

If your child needs to be absent from school please telephone the school everyday that they are off and when they return please bring a note explaining their reason for absence.

Collection of Children for Appointments

If you need to collect your child from school early for an appointment please give notice in advance by putting it in writing to the head teacher and if possible bring a copy of the appointment letter for our records.

Star of the week

Year R Wrens	William Taylor for perseverance and improved independence.
Year 1 Robins	Freddie Barber for all round good effort and for always doing his best in every aspect.
Year 2 Magpies	Archie Vass for beautiful hand writing.
Year 3 Owls	Kian Dobson for always having a positive attitude towards his learning.
Year 4 Hawks	Edward Belsey for a fantastic Titanic model and good knowledge of the new topic.
Year 5 Eagles	Amy Sharp for determination and perseverance.
Year 6 Falcons	Pagen Giles for an increased confidence in Maths and persevering with tricky work this week.

School Notices

Flu Vaccination Forms: Please can you return these forms for years 1 to 4 by Tuesday 21st November as the nurses are coming to collect them.

Open Mornings - Please come and visit us on: Friday 24th November - 9.30 am - 11.30 am

Raffle Tickets: Please can all raffle tickets for the Christmas fair be returned as soon as possible. Robins Class are currently in the lead.

Lost Property: The lost property box is overflowing with items so please come and take a look if you have misplaced something. The box can be located in reception, just ask at the office if you would like to have a look.

Payments: If you are making an online payment to the school please can you include an appropriate reference and name along with the payment so that we know who and what the payment is for. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parking: We politely ask that parents/carers dropping off and collecting children do not park in the yellow hashed box, on the footpath in the car park or in front of the wooden double gates leading to the playground. This is very dangerous for children trying to walk into and out of school. Thank you for your cooperation.

PTFA Notices

The PTFA would like to say a huge thank you to all the people that have donated toys/games/equipment to the Nursery and Wrens class. The response has been fantastic and the children have really enjoyed playing with their new toys.

If any parents have desktop publishing skills to help with creating the Christmas Fair programme, could you please see the ladies in the office.

Clubs

Football Club: Please note that there will be no football club on Monday 20th November as the team have a match against Sibertswold Primary School. Club will resume again on Monday 27th November as normal. The home match on Tuesday 21st November starts at 3.30pm.

Community

Save a Life - give blood: Tuesday 12 December, 13:45 to 16:30 & 17:30 to 20:00 at the Kent County Cricket Club, Cheisman Pavilion, Spitfire Ground St Lawrence, Old Dover Road, Canterbury.

Dates for your Diary

Term 2	
Wednesday 22nd November	Phonics talk for parents at 2.30pm with Mrs Crascall
Friday 24th November	Whole School Open Morning - 9.30 to 11.30 am
Friday 1st December	Christmas Jumper TAG Day! £1.00 minimum donation per child
Monday 4th - Thursday 7th December	Book Fair in School Hall - details to follow
Monday 4th December	Christmas Craft Day - children will be making crafts to sell at the Christmas Fair
Tuesday 5th December	Flu Vaccinations for year R to year 4 - letters to follow
Friday 8th December	PTFA Christmas Fair - 3.30 to 5.30pm
Tuesday 12th December	PTFA Secret Santa Christmas Present Day School Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 13th December	Nursery and Wrens Nativity - 10 am
Friday 15th December	Robins and Magpies Nativity - 1.45 pm
Monday 18th December	Carol Service at the Church at 10.45am
Tuesday 19th December	Whole school pantomime visit - The Wizard of Oz
Wednesday 20th December	End of term 2 - PHEW! School closes 3.15pm.
Term 3	
Thursday 4th January	Staff Development Day - School Closed for Students
Friday 5th January	Start of Term 3 - School Open
Term 5	
Monday 16th April	Staff Development Day - School Closed for Students
Term 6	
Monday 23rd July	Staff Development Day - School Closed for Students
Tuesday 24th July	Staff Development Day - School Closed for Students