



KIMBOLTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I don't know about you, but I love this time of year, as the days begin to lengthen, the sun grows in strength and the daffodils and snowdrop start to appear. It is wonderful to see the children enjoying their time outside and to begin to look forward to sporting events again.

Today, classes 3 and 4 travelled to Tenbury to take part in Dance Fest along with other local schools and staff assure me that they were absolutely brilliant! A huge thank you to Janene, who has worked with them this last half term to choreograph their performances. Classes 1 and 2 look forward to sharing Janene's expertise next half term in their dance sessions on a Wednesday morning.

Next half term promises to be a busy one and the calendar is certainly filling up, with World Book Day celebrations, sports workshops with Stride Active, Red Nose Day and Cross Country, among other events to look forward to before the excitement of the Easter Bonnet parade at the end of term!

Sadly, we say goodbye to Miss Richards, whose last day in school will be 10th March. She has been a member of our school family for the last 13 years and will be missed. A huge thank you and best wishes in your future role at Hereford College.

I hope you all have a wonderful half-term break and look forward to seeing you again on Monday 27th February.

Mrs Hyde

welcome

We are delighted to be welcoming Mr Richard Waterhouse as our new business manager. He will split his time between Kimbolton and Orleton and will also cover the office at Kimbolton all day on a Tuesday.

PTFA News

The PTFA are delighted to share that we raised an incredible £3797.67 through our fundraising events in the Autumn term. A huge **THANK YOU** to all that have supported us!

We have agreed to use some PTFA funds to support the school in purchasing some new resources for core subjects; Science, History, Maths and Literacy. As well as contributing towards the re-vamp of the Early Years outdoor area.

We would like to welcome you all to our next PTFA meeting to discuss plans for the Summer Term.

Date to follow!

#WorldBookDay



For World Book Day this year we are very fortunate to have secured tickets to go and watch Pinocchio at the Courtyard in Hereford on Thursday 2nd March.

Alongside the performance, the Courtyard Education Team will then be visiting us at school on Thursday 9th March to carry out a drama-based workshop for each class throughout the day focusing on the classic tale of Pinocchio.

We will also be holding a 'Book Sale' after school on Thursday 2nd March (more details to follow).

We will have a **non-uniform day** in celebration of **World Book Day** on **Friday 3rd March** where children (and staff) are invited to dress up as a favourite book character. We feel this will encourage the children to have great fun, but more importantly it will inspire them to read more books! World Book Day is the biggest celebration of books and reading in UK and encourages children to explore the pleasures of books and reading.

All children will receive a free £1 World Book Day Book Token, which can be exchanged at local bookshops (Rossiter Books, WHSmith, Waterstones, Sainsburys and Tesco) for one of the 15 specially produced titles or used as part payment against the purchase of another full-priced book.

We hope to have a fun-filled few days and are looking forward to seeing all the staff and children come to school as even more interesting characters!

Red Nose Day - Friday 17th March

As **Red Nose Day** clashes with KS2's cross country at Lucton, this year we will not be holding a non-uniform day but instead ask the children to wear their **Red Noses** to school and bring a *silly joke* to share with their class!

We will also be holding a **Bake Sale** after school with all money raised going directly to the **Red Nose Day** appeal. Any donations of cake would be greatly received, whether they're homemade or brought.

Please bring any donations in on the morning of the bake sale and take them to the school hall.

If you are able to help set up and/or run the cake stall please can you let Mrs Colebatch in the office know. Thank you!





We will hold our annual **Easter Service** on **Thursday 30th March** at 1.30pm at Kimbolton Church,

The children are also invited to design and bring in an '**EASTER BONNET**' for our **Easter Bonnet Parade** on **Thursday 30th March**, 1pm at School. We would also like to invite parents and carers to come and watch our parade before we leave for the church service.



DATES FOR THIS HALF TERM:

Monday 20th February – Half Term Week

Tuesday 28th February – Stride Active Event in School

Thursday 2nd March – Pinocchio at The Courtyard

Friday 3rd March – Non-Uniform Day (Favourite Book Character)

Thursday 9th March – The Courtyard Education Team in school. Workshops throughout the day

Friday 17th March – KS2 Cross Country at Lucton School

Friday 17th March – Red Nose Day

Tuesday 21st March – Open Doors Tour (more details to follow after half term)

Thursday 30th March – Easter Bonnet Parade, 1pm at School

Thursday 30th March – Easter Church Service, 1.30pm at Kimbolton Church

Friday 31st March - Last Day of Term

Monday 17th April - Summer Term Starts

What's On...



Star Wars Jedi Academy
Monday 20th – Friday 24th February
1pm – 2.30pm

Do you have what it takes to become a Jedi? You will be put through your Jedi trials. Learn the Jedi Code, drill in the 6 attack and parry zones with our special trainee combat lightsabers, work on your self-discipline and test your agility with the laser beam challenge. £4.40 per accompanied child. £3.96 for members. Recommended age 4 - 11 years. Booking essential, call 01588 676060.

Flicks in the Sticks – DC League of Super-Pets
Wednesday 22nd February

In “DC League of Super-Pets,” Krypto the Super-Dog and Superman are inseparable best friends, sharing the same superpowers and fighting crime in Metropolis side by side. When Superman and the rest of the Justice League are kidnapped, Krypto must convince a rag-tag shelter pack—Ace the hound, PB the potbellied pig, Merton the turtle, and Chip the squirrel—to master their own newfound powers and help him rescue the Super Heroes.

Film starts at 5pm. £5.50 per adult, £3.50 per child, £16 per family.

Booking essential, call 01588 676 060.

Free themed crafts from 4pm. Hot dogs, pizza and popcorn available to purchase in the cafe from 4pm.



For more information contact Kathy Bland on

07780 735571

Family swims for fiver this February half term



Families across Herefordshire can enjoy a fantastic value-swimming offer this February half term, with family swims for a fiver! It's a fantastic opportunity to have fun and spend some valuable time together in the pool during the holidays.

The offer is available at the following Halo sites - Hereford Leisure Pool, Leominster Leisure Centre, Ledbury Swimming Pool, and Ross Swimming Pool.

Bookings through Halo are recommended to guarantee admission, however walk ins are available on a first come first served basis.

Sessions can be booked in person by popping into your local pool or by calling your local pool on the numbers below:

- Hereford Leisure Pool [01432 272512](tel:01432 272512)
- Leominster Leisure Centre [01568 612540](tel:01568 612540)
- Ledbury Swimming Pool [01531 632890](tel:01531 632890)
- Ross-on-Wye Swimming Pool [01989 763487](tel:01989 763487)

Half-Term Challenge



The Herefordshire Council is running an art competition to provide children and young people with an opportunity to express what they like best about living in Herefordshire through art.

The theme of the competition is 'My Herefordshire' and children are invited to create a picture that represents what Hereford means to them. It could be a place, an activity, a club or even a person.

The competition is open to all children who attend a schools or settings across the county from early years up to secondary.

There will be first, second and third place prizes from each of the five age groups below (15 winners in total) and the budding young artists behind the winning entries will receive a £30, £20 and £10 book token respectively, and a print of their own artwork to keep.

- Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) – ages 3-5 (Nursery and Reception) and Key Stage 1 – ages 5-7 (Years 1-2)
- Key Stage 2 – ages 7-11 (Years 3-6)
- Key Stage 3 – ages 11-14 (Years 7-9)
- Key Stage 4 – ages 14-16 (Years 10-11)
- Key Stage 5 – ages 16-18) Years 12 and 13)

Each piece of art should be drawn or painted on an A4 size piece of white paper, portrait or landscape.

To enter simply return you child's artwork to school on Monday 27th February. Please paperclip a separate note to the artwork which includes the child name along with a brief description of the Herefordshire place, activity, club or person in the drawing / painting and why it means a lot to them

The deadline for entries is the morning of Monday 27th February.

Each of the winning entries will be printed and put on public display in council buildings across Herefordshire.

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