

# Ysgol Gynradd Knelston Newyddion

Wednesday, 13 September 2023



Dear Parent,

Croeso nol. It is so nice to be back in school and welcome all the children into their new year with us at Knelston. I hope you all had a good summer break despite the weather. The children have returned with their usual enthusiasm and we were off to a great start with our topic launch last week. Some great visitors really brought our Action topic to life and the children have made some great plans on what they want to learn this term. We will keep you up to date with this weekly letter and the usual information through our Twitter(X) feed and the website.

**Mr. Jenkins**

## Dyddiadau/ Dates

- 13/09/23 – Y5/6 Plantasia Trip
- 26/09/23 – Y4-6 Theatre N'an Og Trip
- 02/10-06/10/23 Scholastic Book Fair
- 30/10/23 – 03/11/23 HALF TERM
- 22/011/23 Flu Vaccines
- 06/12/23 Christmas Concert

## iPay/Squid

- **iPay** – This is the new Dinner Payment System introduced via the Council. All Parents MUST sign up to allow us to take dinner orders.
- **Squid** – Due to the issue with iPay Communications, we have made the decision as a school to continue using Squid as our form of communication, PLEASE keep your old Squid accounts. This will be where we will receive emails, pay for trips, School Shop etc.

## After School Clubs!

We have taken all feedback on board before the end of term and have had a little rethink of our School clubs! To allow Parents to pay per week the School will now be taking payment for Minecraft, Art Club and Lego Club direct to the School. **BUT** Pupils must be signed up with 24 hours' notice prior to the club date. All payments for these clubs must be made via **SQUID**. We are now asking for a £2.50 per session for Football Club, this money will be used to fund the clubs equipment. This is also payable via **SQUID**.

MadScience has to be booked Direct. All information can be found on the clubs page of the website. Please note all clubs will be monitored this term and if not enough participants attend we may make another change.

- **Monday** – Art Club (Y1+) - Starts Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October
- **Tuesday** – Science Club (Y1+) - Starts Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November
- **Wednesday** - Minecraft Club (Y1+) – Starts Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September
- **Thursday** – Football Club (Y4+) – Starts Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September
- **Thursday** – Lego Club (Y1+) – Starts Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September
- **Friday** – **NO CLUBS**

\*Minimum of 8 children in Art Club for this Club to run.

\*\*Please be aware that club attendance will be monitored and if not enough sign up, clubs will be changed.



## New Website!

We have been quietly working on our new website over the summer. We still have a few tweaks to do but have decided to push it live early to help with Communications. All feedback would be greatly appreciated!

[www.knelstonprimary.co.uk](http://www.knelstonprimary.co.uk)



## Pupils Voice Update

The children have chosen their groups so they are now part of Eco, School council, Science & technology, Ocean Guardian, Criw Cymraeg or Rights Respecting. They have all met for the first time this week.

## PTA Friends of Knelston

### Save the Dates!

- 09/10/23 – Annual AGM Meeting 9:15am @ School
- 26/10/23 – Halloween Disco
- 30/11/23 – Christmas Market
- 21/12/23 – Christmas Disco
- 21/03/24 – Easter Disco
- Sunday Funday – July TBC 2024

Anyone interested in a stall at Xmas Fair – get in touch now!

We now have an Instagram account! Follow us on @friendsofkneltstonprimary

## The children's highlights of the week!

### Wythnos yma!

All children are settling in nicely into their new year groups and some into their new class rooms! Our Topic for this Term is **Action**, and our Topic Launch Day last week was a great success. Big thanks to our guests who all came in to talk to the children! The children have all been assigned into their Pupil Voice Groups and are excited to get started with this term's projects.

We will be weekly class updates as of next week, we look forward to keeping you up to date with all that's going on.

School term and holiday dates 2023 / 2024

Term	Term begins		Mid-term holiday begins	Mid-term holiday ends		Terms ends	Total days
Autumn 2023	Friday 1 September	Friday 27 October	Monday 30 October	Friday 3 November	Monday 6 November	Friday 22 December	76
Spring 2024	Monday 8 January	Friday 9 February	Monday 12 February	Friday 16 February	Monday 19 February	Friday 22 March	50
Summer 2024	Monday 8 April	Friday 24 May	Monday 27 May	Friday 31 May	Monday 3 June	Friday 19 July	69
Total							195

### Easy fundraising

1. Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/sup-port-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=115079&invite=Y2GJQ4&referral-campaign=s2s&cid=115079&name=Charlotte>
2. Sign up free
3. Download the app on your phone/desktop or tablet
4. Get shopping and start raising
5. If anyone needs help with Easy fundraising, please do not hesitate to contact the PTA treasurer, Charlotte Tonge on 07816787412.

