



Annwyl Parents / Carers,

What another busy week it's been at Knelston! Unlike last week's sunny adventures, the weather has turned a bit miserable, so we've been hard at work in class, avoiding the rain. Although we couldn't explore outdoors as much, the children have shown fantastic enthusiasm in their indoor activities.

This week also marked the start of our after-school clubs, and the children who attended had a great time. It's been wonderful to see them engage in these new activities. We're also excited to share that our communication efforts have improved, as Class Dojo is now up and running, ensuring we can keep you updated more effectively. This week's newsletter contains lots of information about what we have planned here at Knelston!

We look forward to another exciting week ahead, whatever the weather brings!

Have a great weekend,

J G Paynter

UNCRC Right of the Month | **School Aim of the Month**



Article 28: The right to learn and go to school.



"Happy, safe school community,

Patrwm y Pythefnos - Welsh Patterns to share at home:



Ble wyt ti'n byw?

Where do you live?

Dw i'n byw yn _____.

I live _____.



We are looking for children who can use these patterns (and others) in school.

After school clubs

Our after-school clubs kicked off this week, and while some were very well attended, others had fewer children than expected. To ensure that we can continue running these clubs, we need at least 6 children to attend each one. If your child couldn't make it this week but would like to join next week, please make sure to book their place via Squid.



Using Squid helps us keep track of attendance, ensuring we know exactly who will be at each club and making the end of the day smoother, especially when organising buses and pick-ups.

Here's a reminder of the club schedule:

Day	Club	Year groups & staff	Pick up point
Monday	Construction	Y2 Y3 Y4 with Mrs Latham	Front Yard
Monday	Soft play	Rec Y1 with Mrs Furneaux & Mrs Harry	Main entrance
Monday	Netball	Y5 Y6 with Mrs Blakemore	Front Yard
Wednesday	Sports / games	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6 with Mr Paynter	Front Yard
Thursday	Football	Y4 Y5 Y6 with Mr Donovan	Front Yard

The clubs run from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm, and we kindly ask that children are collected promptly. To help cover the cost of resources and staffing, we request a £2 donation per session, payable via Squid on a pay-as-you-go basis. A huge thank you to our dedicated staff for giving their time to make these clubs possible, and thank you for your continued support.

Class Dojo



We are now up and running with ClassDojo! You should have received an email earlier this week with instructions on how to get set up. Many of you have already joined, and the initial feedback has been very positive, thank you.

If you haven't set yourself up yet, please use the following link:

<https://www.classdojo.com/ul/p/addKid?target=school&schoolID=58735e1b9595f17f2da7b615>
or scan the QR code below to get started.

If you're having any problems getting set up, please feel free to pop in and see us or give us a call, and we'll be more than happy to help you get connected. As mentioned last week, ClassDojo is a fantastic tool that will enhance communication between school and home. It allows you to see what your children are up to throughout the day, download documents we share, and receive important school messages directly on your phone.



We're excited to introduce this new system at Knelston and are confident it will be a great way to keep you connected with your child's school experience.

Thank you for your support, and please let us know what you think!

Scholastic Book Fair at Knelston Next Week!

We're excited to announce that the Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Knelston next week! This pop-up celebration of reading is a fantastic opportunity for children to explore and discover a wide range of books, while also helping our school earn rewards to spend on free books and essential resources.

We'll have mobile bookcases packed with over 200 of the latest and greatest books from more than 60 publishers, including exclusive titles that you won't find in shops or at other fairs. There's something magical about letting a child choose their own book, and with prices starting from just £2.99, there's a fantastic selection for everyone.



We hope you'll join us in supporting this wonderful event. Not only will it inspire a love of reading, but it will also help us earn rewards that benefit our school. You and your child/children will have the opportunity to view and purchase books from the Book Fair in the morning before school from 8:45 am to 9:15 am or at the end of the day from 3:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Looking forward to seeing you there!

However, if you're unable to visit the school, a 'wish list' slip will be provided to your child. Throughout the week, they will have the chance to browse the books on offer, and if they find any they like, they can write down the book's name and price on the slip to bring home to you. If you're happy to purchase the book, please sign the slip and return it with the payment in cash or by using the payment link provided below, which is also available on ClassDojo.

Thank you for your support, and happy reading!

bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay

Harvest - food bank

As part of our Harvest celebrations, we are reaching out to ask for your support in donating to a local Swansea food bank. We are specifically requesting non-perishable items to help families during these challenging financial times.

Your generous donations will be sent to the West Cross Food Bank, which ensures that contributions reach families living on the Gower and in our very own community. If you have any items at the back of your cupboard that you could spare, we would greatly appreciate your donations. Every little bit helps!

Please send your donations to school, and thank you for your support!



Friends of Knelston PTA



There are just 64 days left to support our school through ASDA's Cashpot for Schools initiative. This is a great chance to raise essential funds, and your support can make a big difference!

Here's how you can help:

Every time you shop with ASDA using their Rewards app, you can select our school to receive a percentage of your spend. For each customer who selects our school, ASDA will also donate an additional £1 to our Cashpot.

A huge thank you to everyone who has already contributed - the pot is building nicely, and we've raised £96.21 so far! Your continued shopping and donations are greatly appreciated and will directly benefit our school.

Please spread the word to family and friends, so we can make the most of this opportunity. For instructions on how to get started, please check the picture at the bottom of the newsletter.

Pupil Voice

We are thrilled to share that our Ocean Guardians Pupil Voice Group has been fortunate enough to be signed up with the Marine Conservation Society, thanks to the generous support of a kind member of our community, Joshlyn Rix. Joshlyn has donated her own money to allow our children to adopt an animal at risk in a marine environment.



Next week, the children will meet to discuss which animal they would like to adopt and even give it a name. Their options include a turtle, polar bear, or shark, with the possibility of more choices to come! The children are very excited about this opportunity, and once they've adopted their chosen animal, they will be able to track its journey through the ocean.

We have already received some wonderful resources to enhance their learning experience, and I'm sure you'll join me in thanking Joshlyn for her kindness in providing our pupils with this amazing opportunity. The children look forward to updating you next week with their chosen animal and name!

The children's highlights of the week! Wythnos yma!

Mrs Osborn's class REC/Y1/Y2

- ✓ Counting and adding in ten - Y2
- ✓ Story maps for the gingerbread man,
- ✓ And continued the gingerbread man story,
- ✓ What does harvest mean to you.

Mrs Porter's class Y3/4

- ✓ Making their names in base ten for maths,
- ✓ Completed a maths assessment,
- ✓ Looking at the united nations human rights convention.

Mr Donovan's class Y5/6

- ✓ Finished character maps based on the first two chapters of our class novel,
- ✓ Maths pre-unit assessment and started place value,
- ✓ Team building games in PE,
- ✓ Voted on the final design for our class charter and started to create elements.

Finally...

It's quite a lot to get through this week, so if you're still with us, thank you - we appreciate your dedication!

As always, if you have queries, compliments, complaints, concerns or issues you would like to discuss please speak to a member of staff. If family or friends help with school runs, we'd love for you to share the weekly newsletter with them. Please also make sure we have your updated contact details so we can stay connected!

Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

Dymuniadau gorau,
J G Paynter
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

Date	Activity	Additional Information
30.09.24 - 04.09.24	Scholastic Book Fair	Whole School
08.10.24	Theatr Na Nog	Y56 - Details to follow
11.10.24	PTA AGM	Open to any parents that would like to attend @ 9:30
11.10.24	Menter Abertawe	Welsh PE Activities
24.10.24	PTA Halloween Disco	Open to all year groups - tickets purchased via squid
25.10.24	Menter Abertawe	Welsh PE Activities
28.10.24 - 01.11.24		HALF TERM
20.11.24	Flu Vaccinations	Reception to Year 6
28.11.24	PTA Christmas	Times TBC
12.12.24	Christmas Concert	Year groups TBC
19.12.24	PTA Christmas Disco	Tickets to be released later in the year

INSET DAYS: Monday 6th January 2024
(Other dates to be confirmed)

WEEKLY EVENTS: Basil the Burns reading dog.
David Smith - Music

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1

Download and sign up to the Asda Rewards app

Opt into the Cashpot for Schools campaign and select a specific primary school or select 'Schools in Need'.

2

Shop in store across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com

Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to your chosen school each time you shop and scan.

3

Asda does the rest

The money raised will be donated through Parentkind to schools to spend on what they need most. This won't affect your own Cashpot earn.

Once opted in and selected a school, we will add £1 to your chosen schools Cashpot to help get them started.

Each school will get an additional £50 added to their Cashpot, after at least one customer has shopped and scanned their Rewards app.

