



Kendall Church of England
Primary School

'We Strive for a Bright and Wonderful Future!'

11th October 2024

Newsletter 6 Autumn Term 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

SCARF Live Online

This week the children have been visited virtually by Nancy and Harold (the giraffe) from Coram Life Education as part of the SCARF programme. The children took part in a range of sessions to jump start our personal development curriculum. Topics this year included:

- EYFS - Happy healthy me
- Year 1 - Feelings
- Year 2 - Keeping safe with my friends
- Year 3 - My healthy brain and body
- Year 4 - What makes me, ME!
- Year 5 - Looking after our physical and mental wellbeing
- Year 6 - What's the risk?

Our Personal Development curriculum at Kendall covers many topics throughout each year group helping children to **stay safe, keep healthy, live in the wider world** and **maintain positive relationships**. We use many resources from SCARF to support our curriculum and our annual visit from Nancy and Harold is always a highlight. Thank you to those of you who joined us on Friday for a parent/community session. We hope you found it useful. More resources for supporting your child's personal development at home can be found here: <https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/family-scarf>

End of the School Day for KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)

When children are dismissed from KS2 at the end of the school day and cannot find their parent/carer who is collecting them, they must return to the school building/office to inform a member of staff. We will then call the parent/carer, however, if you know you are going to be late to collect your child, please call the office to advise us so that we can keep them safe until they are collected.

Kendall Conker Competition Friday 18th October!

Don't forget to keep saving your conkers for our annual Kendall Conker Competition on **Friday 18th October 2024!** Please ensure all conkers are **pre-threaded** before bringing them to school.



PTA Wreath Making Workshop at Kendall

If you would like to make your own Christmas Wreath this year, why not come along to our PTA Wreath Making Workshop run by Mrs French on Monday 2nd December from 10am-12pm. All places must be pre-booked and full payment of £30 must be paid in cash or by cheque (made payable to: Friends of Kendall CE Primary School) at the time of booking and placed in a clearly named envelope. Spaces are limited so early booking is advised!

Kendall Primary School PTA presents



A chance to make your own one of a kind Christmas wreath.
Soak up the Seasonal spirit whilst enjoying expert tuition,
warming winter refreshments and a varied choice of
decorations to make your handmade wreath truly unique.

£30.00

10am-12noon Monday 2nd December 2024

Run by Mrs French RHS Dip. Hort. in The Studio at

Kendall Primary School

All places must be pre-booked ahead of the workshop.

Payment in full required when booking

Harvest Celebration/Food Bank Reminder!

The school is holding its Harvest celebrations at St Stephen's Church on Tuesday 15th October at 10am. Parents/carers are very welcome to attend. We are again supporting the Foodbank this year and below you will find their shopping list. If you feel able to donate an item or two, we would be very grateful.

Supplies can be still be brought to school and will be displayed in the hall by our worship table. Over 90% of the food distributed by foodbanks in The Trussell Trust network is donated by the public – that's why your food donations are absolutely vital to their ability to give everyone referred to them a balanced and nutritious supply of food.

Their shopping list includes:

Small bags of rice, long-life milk, long-life juice, shampoo, carrier bags or reusable bags, squash, tinned fruit, deodorant, tinned potatoes, tinned puddings, tins or packet custard, jam, toothbrush and tooth paste, shower gel, small jars of coffee, small washing powder or liquid, small multipacks of snacks (Penguin/Club/Twix) and tinned tomatoes.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Free Dental Appointments for Children

Please see below details for your child to have the chance of a free dental appointment if they have been unable to access dental care.



HSC Henry Schein Cares Helping Health Happen

Give Kids A Smile!

Colgate

Give Kids A Smile!

Has your child been unable to access dental care? We are offering a chance for a free dental appointment to help your child achieve a healthy and bright smile! Please call the practice below and quote Give Kids A Smile.

Contact this practice

Contact name
CDS

Practice location/address
Colchester Primary Care Centre
Turner Road
Colchester, CO4 5 JR

Phone number
0333 207 9563

Email
cds.essexreferrals@nhs.net

Event date
Wed 30th October 2024

HEALTHY TEETH TIPS?
SCAN QR CODE HERE

Give Kids A Smile!

Business Solutions • CAD/CAM • Consumables • Decontamination • Digital Imaging • Education • Equipment • Laboratory • Lasers • Orthodontics • Service and Repair • Software • Support

For Parents – My Family's Digital Toolkit

There are so many really good resources out there for parents/carers about how to help keep children safe online, but it can quickly become really overwhelming. Internet Matters has a really great resource for parents called My Family's Digital Toolkit. This is a personalised resource which gives age-specific advice, advice to deal with specific concerns, recommendations for digital tools to support children's interests and more. The toolkit is free and you can find more details [**HERE**](#).

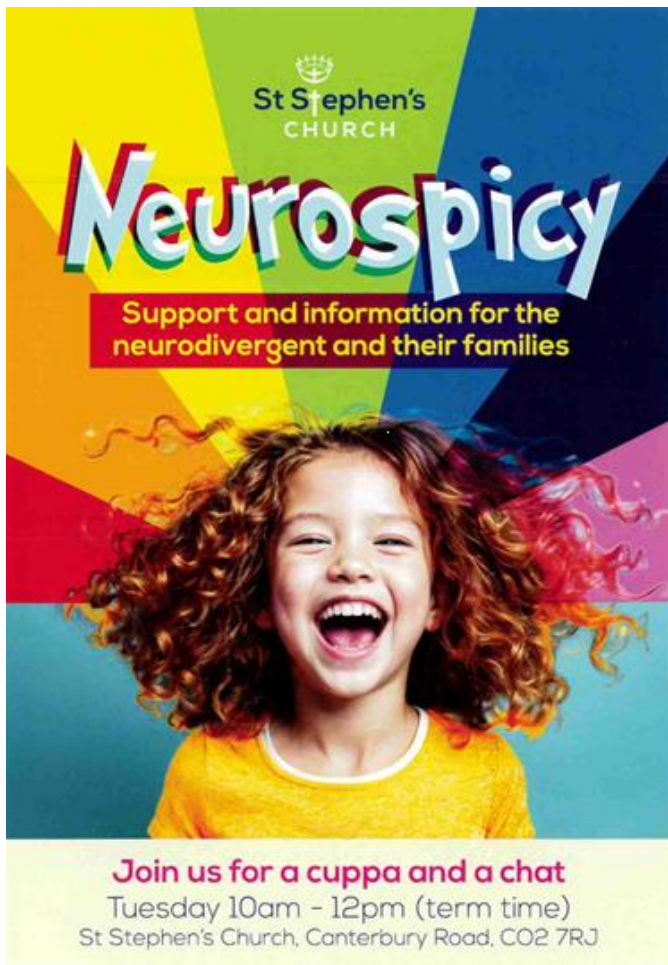
Home Made Packed Lunches – A reminder to parents

Over the past two weeks we have had to take away home packed lunches from children where they contained, or where we suspected that they contained nuts. **No food items containing nuts (including sesame seed products)** are allowed in school because for those children with allergies. Allergic reactions, including anaphylactic shock, can be severe and life threatening. We also ask that **chocolate spread is not used in sandwiches as many of these have a nut content. Chocolate bars and sweets must be avoided.** Remember also that If children bring grapes or cherry tomatoes, please ensure that these are cut in half as they are a serious choking hazard when left whole.

Pupil Contact Records Reminder!

Don't forget to return your child's Pupil Contact Record sheet to the class teacher **by Friday 18th October.**

Supporting local events, health and adult education in the community



St Stephen's
CHURCH

Neurospicy

Support and information for the
neurodivergent and their families

Join us for a cuppa and a chat
Tuesday 10am - 12pm (term time)
St Stephen's Church, Canterbury Road, CO2 7RJ



KIDS

go FREE

at BETH CHATTO'S PLANTS & GARDENS OCTOBER HALF TERM

- 🍂 TAKE PART IN OUR AUTUMN GARDEN TRAIL
- 📖 STORYTIME IN THE GARDEN
31ST OCTOBER 11AM & 2PM
- 🌰 CRAFT ACTIVITIES EVERY DAY

**TUESDAY 29TH OCTOBER -
SATURDAY 2ND NOVEMBER**

 Beth
Chatto's
Plants & Gardens

Beth Chatto Plants & Gardens, Clacton Road, Elmstead Market, CO7 7DB
www.bethchatto.co.uk email: customerservices@bethchatto.co.uk

Online E-Safety Magazine for parents

#DITTO is a free online safety newsletter in PDF format for parents to keep you up to date with online safety risks, issues, advice and guidance related to keeping children safe online, with a view to enjoying and learning about technology. You can sign up for this newsletter at <https://www.esafety-adviser.com/latest-newsletter/>

Forest School Diary 11th October 2024

The children in EYFS have been enjoying investigating the woodland and getting to know what lives and grows in their surroundings. From bug hunting to fungi finding, the children found it all! A few of the children even found the time to cook up a tasty 'leaf soup' in the mud kitchen.



Year 1 had fun creating self-portraits during their session. The children used all sorts of natural resources to do this, such as mud, conkers, acorns and grass.



Year 2 have been brushing up on their conker playing skills in preparation for the annual Kendall Conker Competition. First, the children had to use the palm drill to make a hole through the middle of the conker and then add the string before using their knot tying skills to finish it off. There were a few spare conkers left, so together the children created a woodland wiggly worm.



Year 3 put the charcoal pencils they made previously to good use this week and created some Stone Age style art. The children also used the pencils to enjoy some leaf and bark rubbing.



Year 4 have been climbing the high ropes this week. The challenge they took on was the Cargo Net. Personal records were beaten and every child did astoundingly well.



This week Year 5 took part in a Forest School cook out. We prepared and cooked an amazing vegetable stew. We gutted, de-headed and cleaned the mackerel, which we then baked over an open fire. Everyone got to have a go at all of the activities which made this a real session to remember. All of the food tasted lovely!



Year 6 continued to build their shelters this week. Working together they gathered up resources that they could put to good use to make the shelters as secure as possible. The next step will be ensuring the shelters are watertight.



Amazing Attendance? Free Tuck Friday!

Free Tuck Friday - All classes who have achieved the required attendance of at least 96% are highlighted in green. Well done **Year 6** for having the best attendance this week!

EYFS	97.65%	
Year 1	96.35%	
Year 2	95.45%	
Year 3	95.65%	
Year 4	96.7%	
Year 5	94%	
Year 6	98.1%	★
Overall Attendance	96.3%	

(Week ending 04/10/2024)

Food Bank Vouchers

Please don't forget that the school is an agent for food bank vouchers. Please speak in confidence to a member of the school office or Mrs French if you need to use this service.

Happy Birthday!

Please join us in saying happy birthday to: Delilah M, Esmae G, Tyler L, Bella P, Oscar-George B, Cayde N and Dexter EB.



Headteacher Cups

Congratulations to the following who were awarded a Headteacher Cup in assembly this week: Naeto K, Josie J and Sereen F.

Golden Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils who received Golden Awards this week:

Michael O, Brooke S, Ruby-Rose L, Eleanor VZ, Delilah M, Darcy N, Alex D, Naeto K, Jack E, Daniel K, Gabriel FB, Mahmood HK, Georgia B and Tyler E.

Maths Challenge

Don't forget to enter!

Writer of the Week

Congratulations to **Makanaka** in **Year 6** who received our Writer of the Week award and took home a new stationery set and journal – keep up that good writing!

Vision Value Leaves

Congratulations to the following who were awarded a leaf for our 'Vision Values' Tree: Quinlan MF and Polly O.

Kendall Team Points

Congratulations to the Weekly Team Winners: **Yew!**

Elm	Ash	Birch	Yew
4th	2nd	3rd	1st

We hope you have a restful weekend!

Yours sincerely,

Clare French
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

October 2024	
Tuesday 15 th	Harvest Festival at St Stephen's Church 10am
Friday 18 th	Kendall Conker Competition
Monday 28 th – Friday 1st November	Autumn Half Term Holiday
November 2024	
Monday 4 th	Non- Pupil Day
Tuesday 5 th	First day of 2 nd half of autumn term
Tuesday 5 th	Year 6 Bikeability
Wednesday 6 th	Year 6 Bikeability
Thursday 7 th	Flu Vaccinations
Friday 8 th	Year 6 Bikeability
Friday 8 th	Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 12 th	Year 6 Visit to Houses of Parliament & SEALIFE London Aquarium
Friday 15 th	Non- Pupil Day
Monday 18 th	Non- Pupil Day
Tuesday 26 th	Parent Consultations 3:30pm–6pm
Wednesday 27 th	Year 1 Arctic Explorer
Wednesday 27 th	Parent Consultations 5:30pm–8pm
December 2024	
Tuesday 3 rd	Year 5 Greek Day
Tuesday 3 rd	PTA Christmas Gift Shop
Wednesday 4 th	PTA Christmas Gift Shop
Thursday 5 th	PTA Christmas Gift Shop
Friday 6 th	PTA Christmas Gift Shop
Monday 9 th	EYFS/KS1 Nativity 2:20pm
Tuesday 10 th	EYFS/KS1 Nativity 9:30am & 2:20pm
Friday 20 th	Christmas Service at St Stephen's Church 10am
Friday 20 th	PTA Discos KS1 5pm–6:15pm KS2 6:30pm–8pm
Friday 20 th	Last Day of Autumn Term 2024

Schedule of Trips and Visits 2023/2024

Budgeting £20 a quarter (£80 a year – or approximately £2 a term-time week) should cover the cost of trips. Where a trip is more expensive, for example £40, we will always try to make sure that over the academic year, the cost for all 4 Quarters comes to no more than £80 for the trips and visits we organise. Sadly, with school funding being at an all-time low in real terms, the school is financially unable to subsidise trips and visits to the extent it has done in the past. If we do not receive enough contributions to cover the cost, we will reluctantly have to cancel trips or visitors to the school. As promised, to help you with budgeting, please see Mrs Nicholson's schedule and the associated charge for each trip for the next quarter below

Quarter 2

Year Group	Trip/Visit	Cost per child
EYFS	No trips/visits this quarter	n/a
Year 1	Arctic Explorer	£7.50
Year 2	Roman Circus	£5
Year 3	Colchester Castle	£5.50
Year 4	French Day	n/a
Year 5	Ancient Greeks Day	£20
Year 6	London Seaquarium & Houses of Parliament	£36

(Please note all Q1 trips have now taken place):

Week One

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main	Deep pan cheese and sweetcorn pizza (v)	Oven baked sausage rolls	Roast Chicken breast	Packed lunch Ham roll	Birds Eye Omega 3 Fish Fingers
Vegetarian (v) Or Vegan (ve)	Roasted vegetable pasta (v/ve)	Oven baked vegan sausage rolls (ve)	Baked Quorn fillet (v/ve)	Cheese roll (v) Vegan cheese roll (ve)	Crispy Quorn dippers (v) Vegetable fingers (Ve)
Sides	Peas Vegan Coleslaw Freshly prepared salad bar – lettuce, cucumber, tomatoes, peppers, sweetcorn, sultanas	Creamy mashed potato Sweetcorn Freshly prepared salad bar – lettuce, cucumber, tomatoes, peppers, sweetcorn, sultanas	Roast potatoes Stuffing Yorkshire pudding Fresh carrots, cabbage and broccoli Gravy (ve)	Vegetable sticks Tortilla chips Freshly prepared salad bar – lettuce, cucumber, tomatoes, peppers, sweetcorn, sultanas	Chips Peas Freshly prepared salad bar – lettuce, cucumber, tomatoes, peppers, sweetcorn, sultanas
Dessert	Chocolate crunch (ve) Or Fresh fruit	Iced Flapjack (ve) Or yoghurt	Fresh fruit – honeydew melon and pineapple Or yoghurt	Lemon drizzle cake (v) Or Fresh fruit	Raspberry ice cream sponge roll Or yoghurt

(v) Vegetarian (ve) Vegan

Kendall KS1 Fortnightly Maths Challenge

The farmer puts her carrots and peas into this pattern.



Draw the next three vegetables that will appear in this pattern.

If you think you have the answer, write your name and answer on a slip of paper and post it into the correct box on the table. The winner will be announced in two weeks.

Good luck!

Kendall KS2 Fortnightly Maths Challenge

For their Harvest Festival a school collected 66.8kg of canned food.
Each can contains 400g of food.



How many cans of food did the school collect?

If you think you know, write your name and answer on a slip of paper and post it into the correct box on the table. The winner will be announced in two weeks. Good luck!

Academic Year 2024-2025

September 2024							October 2024							November 2024							December 2024						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
						1		1	2	3	4	5	6					1	2	3							1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	X	5	6	7	8	9	10	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	X	16	17	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	X	19	20	21	22	23	24	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29	30		23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30																					30	31					

January 2025							February 2025							March 2025							April 2025						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
		1	2	3	4	5						1	2						1	2		1	2	3	4	5	6
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28			24	25	26	27	28	29	30	28	29	30				
														31													

May 2025							June 2025							July 2025							August 2025						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
			1	2	3	4							1		1	2	3	4	5	6					1	2	3
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	X	X	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
26	27	28	29	30	31		23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29	30	31
							30																				

= Schooldays

= School holidays

= Bank holidays

= Weekends

= Non Pupil Days

DRAFT School Term and Holiday Dates for Academic Year 2025-2026

September 2025							October 2025							November 2025							December 2025						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30						27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30	29	30	31				
January 2026							February 2026							March 2026							April 2026						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
			1	2	3	4							1							1			1	2	3	4	5
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
26	27	28	29	30	31		23	24	25	26	27	28		23	24	25	26	27	28	29	27	28	29	30			
														30	31												
May 2026							June 2026							July 2026							August 2026						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
				1	2	3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			1	2	3	4	5						1	2
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	29	30						27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30
																					31						

= Schooldays
 = School holidays
 = Bank holidays
 = Weekends

In addition, schools allocate five non-pupil days out of the school days. These are to be confirmed.