



Kendall Church of England

Primary School

'We Strive for a Bright and Wonderful Future!'

22nd November 2024

Newsletter 11 Autumn Term 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 3 Visit to Colchester Castle

Year 3 trekked all the way to Colchester Castle yesterday to kick start their topic on the Romans. They began their day heading down to the rooms underneath the castle to learn all about the Romans, they then explored the museum looking at different artefacts and finally they made a Roman villa and a roundhouse. The children had a fantastic day, ending with a beautiful group photo outside the castle.



Kendall Christmas School Dinner Friday 20th December 2024

Reminder! Don't forget to return the order form, sent home earlier this week, if you wish your child to have a school Christmas dinner on Friday 20th December. All order forms **MUST** be returned by **Wednesday 4th December**. We will **not** be able to accept any orders after this date as the food/ingredients will have already been ordered.

School Reception Admissions for 2025-2026

School (Reception/EYFS) admission round is open for parents to apply for a reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2025. The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2025**. Applications can be made online. If you are applying, make sure you fill all your choices, don't name just the one school, if you leave a choice blank, the Local Authority will fill it for you. And be aware - late applications always go to the bottom of their pile! Visit www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

Forest School Diary 22nd November 2024

This week, there are no entries for our EYFS, Year 1, Year 2, Year 5 or Year 6 classes due to our non-pupil days and our Forest School team being on a two-day specialist Forest School paediatric First Aid course.

However, this week Year 3 took part in a cooking session in the woodlands. The children prepared a stew with dumplings and cooked it over the open fire. As a group we then gathered around the fire circle to enjoy the tasty feast.



Year 4 are in the full swing of constructing their Viking long boats and what great progress they are making! Brilliant team working skills and tool skills were applied by all of the group – good job, Year 4.



Measles in Essex

Please see information in last week's newsletter if you are concerned about Measles.

School Reports and Parent Consultation Appointments

Today your child will bring home their school reports and an invitation to sign up for an appointment to discuss this report and the help and support you can give your child as co-educators of your children. We very much look forward to seeing you there!

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!

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/>

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.

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 4** for having the best attendance this week! 100%!!!!

EYFS	92.9%	
Year 1	89.2%	
Year 2	97.2%	
Year 3	99.6%	
Year 4	100%	★
Year 5	97.5%	
Year 6	97.7%	
Overall Attendance	96.35%	

(Week ending 14/11/2024)

Happy Birthday!

Please join us in saying happy birthday to: Riley E, Mila J, Lenny O and Othon SG.

Maths Challenge

Don't forget to enter!

Kendall Team Points

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

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



Have a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely,



Clare French

Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

November 2024	
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	Kendall Christmas Lunch
Friday 20 th	PTA Discos KS1 5pm–6:15pm KS2 6:30pm–8pm
Friday 20 th	Last Day of Autumn Term 2024
January 2025	
Monday 20 th	Forest School Parent Information Event 9–11am (PIE)
Tuesday 28 th	Kendall SEND Support Group
Wednesday 29 th	Writing Parent Information Event (PIE)
February 2025	
Monday 17 th to Friday 21 st	Half Term
March 2025	
Tuesday 4 th	Parent Consultations 3:30pm–6pm
Wednesday 5 th	Reading Parent Information Event (PIE)
Wednesday 5 th	Parent Consultations 5:30pm–8pm
Wednesday 12 th	Kendall SEND Support Group
April 2025	
Friday 4 th	Easter Service at St Stephen's Church 10am
Monday 7 th to Monday 21 st	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 22 nd	First Day of Summer Term

Schedule of Trips and Visits 2024/2025

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	Mia Day	£8

Week 1	MONDAY (meat free)	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main	Vegetable spring rolls	Creamy chicken pie topped with pastry	Oven roasted gammon	Pasta Bolognese topped with cheese	Birdseye Omega 3 fish fingers
Vegetarian (V) Or Vegan (Ve)	Pasta neapolitan cooked in a tomato sauce (v) (ve)	Vegetable parcel (ve)	Oven baked Quorn fillet (v)	Vegetable Bolognese topped with vegan cheese	Quorn dippers (v) Vegetable fingers (ve)
Sides	Savoury rice Sweetcorn Freshly prepared salad – lettuce, tomatoes and cucumber	Mashed potatoes, Peas, vegan gravy (ve)	Roast potatoes, stuffing, Yorkshire pudding, fresh carrots, cabbage, broccoli, vegan gravy (ve)	Sweetcorn Garlic bread Freshly prepared salad – lettuce, tomatoes and cucumber	Chips Peas Freshly prepared salad – lettuce, tomatoes and cucumber
Dessert	Homemade fruit shortbread or fresh fruit	Fruit cocktail and cream or fresh fruit or yogurt	Honeydew melon and pineapple or yogurt	Chocolate Oat cake or yogurt	Strawberry ice cream sponge roll or yogurt

Kendall KS1 Fortnightly Maths Challenge



Larry sells tickets for a Bonfire Night festival. He sells 13 on Monday, 14 on Tuesday and 6 on Wednesday.

How many tickets does he sell altogether?

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!

Kendall KS2 Fortnightly Maths Challenge



Susan bought a box of fireworks.
There were 4 packets of 18 Roman Candles
and 5 packets of 22 jumping jacks.

How many fireworks were in the box?

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

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 = Weekends

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

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