



## Visit from the Fire Service to KSI

Mrs Olive arranged for the Fire Service to visit KSI on Friday – what an exciting afternoon! We discovered that the fire engine is as heavy as 15 cars like Miss Warren's, and that it carries 2 car-loads of water (1800 litres) to put out fires. Archie and Daniel in Foundation told us that water can also be pumped up from ponds and rivers if it's needed. Beth in Y2 asked, "How many people work on the engine?" (Six). Henrietta noticed the flow meters which measure how much water is used, and Toby asked why there was a soap dispenser – they explained that they often get very dirty hands when putting out fires or rescuing people or animals who are trapped or in danger. We found out that foam is used for putting out some types of fire as it is safer and more effective than water e.g for electrical fires. Finally, everyone climbed into the cab in turn to see what it felt like to be inside such an incredible machine. How fabulous for everyone!



## Parent Governor Vacancy

Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote for the parent governor vacancy. Mrs Simone Stevens has been re-elected as parent governor.

## Internet Safety

A number of parents have recently approached us expressing concerns about their children's use of social media. With increased numbers of children accessing sites such as Instagram, Facebook and Snapchat it is vital that parents are fully aware of potential hazards involved. The following link contains some useful advice. Many phone and internet providers offer very good parental controls – such as linked phone/tablet accounts so that parents can access everything their child can access (e.g. the opportunity to check on texts/images etc. that are being sent and received).

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/zs83tyc>

## Sporting Fixtures

Where possible, we try to give parents sufficient notice for sporting matches and tournaments, particularly when we are requesting support with transport. However, due to an increased number of fixtures this half term and recent staff absence, there have been a couple of occasions when we have ended up sending out information later than we'd have liked. Apologies if this has caused difficulties. Our priority, where possible, is not to cancel clubs or events and we appreciate your support and understanding with this.

## Coose Trannack Cross Country - Change of Date

Please note the above cross country event is now on Saturday 18 March and not on 25 March as previously circulated. For more information please look at the following link - [http://trannack.eschools.co.uk/website/coose\\_trannack/29267](http://trannack.eschools.co.uk/website/coose_trannack/29267)

## Year 4, 5 & 6 Residential

For parents who have children attending the year 4, 5 & 6 residentials please note when **your balances are due** for payment. Please note that children cannot attend unless payment is received in full. Thank you.

Bishops Forum (Y4) - 31 March 2017

Porthpean (Y5) - 18 April 2017

London (Y6) - 15 May 2017

### Weekly Attendance Figures

The attendance target set by the government is 95%. Kea School's attendance figures for week ending 27 January 2017:

Whole school - 94.35 %	Foundation Class - 96.28 %	Year 1 - 90.33 %
Year 2 - 96.13 %	Year 3 - 98.67 %	Year 4 - 95.00 %
Year 5 - 92.33 %	Year 6 - 91.67 %	Well done Year F, 2, 3 and 4

### Homework - Rotary Young Writer Competition

**The Task:** this year the Rotary Club would like children who are aged 7-10 or 11-13 to submit a story or poem. The entry can be written or typed with the theme of "Reflection". The entry can be submitted on A4 paper of up to 500 words. If your child would like to enter, please bring your entry into school by Friday 24 February 2017. You will also need to complete an entry form which is available from the school office. We look forward to reading your exciting writing. Good luck everyone!

### Parents of Children with Additional Needs

#### Informal Meeting – Tuesday 7 February 2.30pm

Are you a parent/guardian/carer of a child or children with additional needs? Are you keen to find out about organisations and support groups? Are you struggling with forms or just don't know where to begin? Would you like to speak with other parents at Kea who have similar circumstances?

If you feel like you are answering 'yes' to any of those questions please come along to an informal meeting (with tea/coffee and biscuits) taking place on 7 February at 14.30 at Kea School. The first meeting will be run by SEND governor, Sarah White (Katherine Warren will also be available) and is an opportunity to chat, discuss ways of supporting each other and arrange future get togethers.

### Polwhele House Inter-School Cross-Country - Saturday 25 March 2017

The school office has the entry form for anyone wishing to take part in the above event. There are races for U13, U11 and U9's. Please note this is a multi-terrain race and runners are advised to wear running spikes or football boots. Registration is at 9.30 am and we need a parent to volunteer to be the team manager to register the team on the day and give details of any changes to the team sheet. Please let the office know if can help with this and if your child wishes to be entered.

### KEA SCHOOL – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### February

Tues 7	2.30 pm Informal meeting for parents with children with additional needs
Fri 10	Break up for half term
Mon 20	Back to school
Tues 21	Cross country finals at Pool school
Tues 28	Governing Body Resources & Safeguarding Committee Meeting
Fri 24	Year 5 & 6 netball qualifier at Penair

#### March

Thur 2	World book day
Mon 6	St Piran's Day
Fri 3	Year 5 & 6 In2hockey qualifier at Penair
Fri 10	Non school uniform day for Easter bingo
Fri 10	Year 5 & 6 handball tournament at Richard Lander
Fri 10	Netball finals at Penryn College
w/b 13 Mar	Parent teacher consultations for all year groups
Tues 14 Mar	Truro Music Festival
Thurs 16	Cross country finals at Newquay Sports Centre
Fri 17	KSF Easter Bingo at 7.00 pm
Sat 18	Coose Trannack Cross Country
Wed 22	Year 3 & 4 to Royal Cornwall Showground
Fri 24	Year 5 & 6 football finals at Penryn College
Tues 28	Last swimming session for Y3 & Y4
Wed 29	2.30 pm Spring concert in school hall
Fri 31	Break up for Easter

## Youth Circus

For ages 8-14

Drop in or book online at:  
[www.amata.org.uk/yp-classes](http://www.amata.org.uk/yp-classes)

£4 per class

Come and join Lavrak Youth Circus, where you will learn a variety of ground based circus and performance skills, including: juggling, poi, acro balance and hula hoop.

We follow each individual's interests, because we believe that it's the best way to learn. So have fun, learn new tricks and make your own circus routines!

**Notice** Kea School distributes fliers and magazines offering family services or posts details of local activities on the newsletter. Whilst we think that parents might like the information and find it useful, the school does not necessarily endorse these services.