



Christmas at Kea

It definitely feels as though Christmas has arrived here at Kea School. Last week's Christmas tree assembly, as ever, was very moving. I was overwhelmed by the care and attention that had gone into making all the beautiful decorations. We have received many comments from parents/grandparents who attended about the high quality of singing and the enthusiasm of the children.

Friday evening's Christmas Fayre was incredibly well attended and a huge success. Members of Kea School Friends worked extremely hard, not only in the organisation, setting up and running of the fayre, but also with this year's new venture of the present wrapping room which took place every lunchtime last week. £2936 was raised in total – the highest total yet for a Christmas fayre. Many thanks to all members of KSF and everyone else who helped. On the morning of the fayre, I'd imagined people would probably still be at school at 7pm clearing up, but there was such a huge group of volunteers packing up, tidying and clearing after the fayre, that everyone was able to leave by 5.30 pm.

This week's Christmas lunch was delicious. Staff from the kitchen put on a fantastic spread of turkey, stuffing and all the trimmings - there was loads of comments from children and staff about how much they enjoyed it. Children in all classes have been extremely busy rehearsing for their Christmas productions. Sheep, wise men, angels and even aliens have been sighted around the school – there's definitely a treat in store for audiences of Key Stage 1 performances this week.

Next week's KS2 carol service will take place in Kea Church at 6pm on Wednesday 13 December. Parking is always quite tight at this event; if there is any way people could car share, that would be helpful.

Katherine Warren



Punctuality

There has been a number of children arriving late to school in the mornings. This is very disruptive for the teacher and the rest of class and it is also unsettling for the late child as they miss important information at the start of the first morning lesson.

Children can be dropped to school at 8.45 am in the morning and need to be on site by 8.55 am when the bell rings.

If you are struggling to get to school on time please make an appointment with Miss Warren who can arrange for you to meet with the school's Education Welfare Officer who can offer advice and support to families.

After School Clubs

Please remember that after school clubs for this term have now finished. Information about clubs for next term was emailed out to everyone on Tuesday.

Homework - Rotary Young Writer Competition

The Task: this year the Rotary Club would like children who are aged 7-10 or 11-13 to produce a written or typed story in prose entitled, 'A Different Perspective'. The entry could be fiction or non fiction, story or a poem, as long as the piece relates to the theme and are to 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 23 February 2018. You will also need to complete an entry form which is available from the school office. We look forward to reading your exciting writing.

Dates for Your Diary

December

Mon 11	8.35 AM: Parents to drop Year 5 to Penair School for art workshop
Tues 12	Last swimming session for Years 3 & 4
Tues 12	2.00 PM Parental viewings for Sep 18 intake
Wed 13	8.45 AM Parents to drop KS2 children for nativity practice in the church
Wed 13	Junior nativity in church 6.00 pm
Thurs 14	9.00-11.00 AM Kea School Friends Breakfast with Santa at Playing Place Community Centre
Thur 14	6.00-7.00 KSF infant disco & 7.15-8.15 KSF junior disco
Fri 15	Christmas jumper day – School Council fund raiser
Mon 18	KS1 Christmas party
Tues 19	Y3/4 Christmas party
Wed 20	Y5/6 Christmas party & break up for Christmas

The children in Year 2 "Elfed Themselves" this week!



St Kea Christmas

Candlelit Carol Service

Sunday 10th and 17th December 6.00pm All Hallows Church, Kea
A traditional festival of readings, carols, music and drama.
Refreshments from 5.00 pm.

All Age Carol Service

Sunday 17th December 9.30am Penair School, Truro
Sunday 17th December 11.00am All Hallows Church, Kea.
Coffee, cake, carols and all age Christmas fun.

Christmas Eve

Crib Service - 3.00pm All Hallows Church, Kea.
A service for young children celebrating Jesus' birth.

Midnight Service - 11.00pm All Hallows Church, Kea.
Welcome in Christmas Day with our late night communion service.

Christmas Day

Traditional Communion Service - 8.30am Old Kea Church.

All Age Celebration - 10.00am All Hallows Church, Kea.
A Christmas day extravaganza.

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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.