

KEA NEWS

21 October 2016

A GREAT PLACE TO LEARN AND MAKE FRIENDS

Year 5 Junior Life Skills

Last week on Wednesday Year 5 went to New County Hall and learnt new things about Western Power which taught us about keeping safe around electricity, not messing around with wires and don't go climbing on the electricity towers. Then we went to the Trading Standards section and put on beer goggles and tried to high five the lady. We felt really dizzy and learnt how it felt to be drunk. There was a section about the RNLI. They





asked us what each of the flags meant and we answered. After that we were taught about road safety and always keeping your seatbelt on even if

it's a short journey. We really loved it and had lots of fun. By Archie and Ruby year 5.

Mrs Pascoe

It is with sadness that I inform you that Katie Pascoe has handed in her notice and will be resigning from her teaching post at the end of this term. Having returned to Kea in September 2014, following her maternity leave, she has decided to give up teaching for the current time to spend more time with her young family. She has worked at Kea School for 10 years and will be missed enormously by staff and pupils alike.

We are in the process of recruiting a new teacher to work on a Thursday and Friday in Foundation Class. Mrs Walker will work on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday after Christmas.

I'm sure you join me in wishing Katie Pascoe every success for the future.

Weekly Attendance Figures

The attendance target set by the government is 95%. Kea School's attendance figures for week ending 14 October 2016:

Whole school - 96.60% Year 1 - 96.67% Year 3 - 96.55% Year 5 - 94.33% Foundation Class - 98.33% Year 2 - 98.06% Year 4 - 94.83% Year 6 - 97.33%

School Immunisations for Years 1, 2 & 3

Kernow Health CIC are delivering the new school immunisation service from October onwards.

About the Programme

Children in Years 1, 2 and 3 are due to receive a nasal spray flu vaccination on 3 November 2016. All nurses are experienced practice nurses from local GP surgeries and are all used to delivering vaccines. The children will be vaccinated by age group. A Teaching Assistant from your child's class will take the children, in groups, to our meeting room where they will receive their immunisation. The reason for this way of immunisation is that we have the poorest up-take in flu immunisations, so this is the most efficient way to get the whole population protected.

Consent process

Consent forms were sent home a couple of weeks ago and need to be completed and returned to the school by Monday 31 October in order for your child to have the vaccine.

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We are looking for a Lunchtime Supervisor (Monday to Friday for 6.25 hours per week £8.25 per hour) to assist with the supervision of pupils at lunchtime. The role will be to encourage pupils to play responsibly and safely. Training and support will be given to the successful candidate.

To find out more about this post please download the application form and information pack from the website. We cannot accept emailed applications. Visits to the school are warmly welcomed. Please call the school office on 01872 272265 if you would like more information.

School Census

For the next school census we are required, by the Department for Education, to submit the nationality and country of birth of our pupils. In order to provide this information we need to ask all parents/carers to complete the form that was sent home last week. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Kea School Friends AGM

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Kea School Friends AGM last Friday. It was lovely to see so many new parents. The new committee has been formed and I am delighted to inform you that the following parents have taken up the following positions:

Chair - Leonie Brunsden-Brown Treasurer - Rebecca Mould Secretary - Vicky Heffer Vice Secretary - Tor Riley

The following parents have also volunteered to be the year group representatives:

Year F - Leanne Woodward & Janine Thomas

Year I - Claire Earl

Year 2 - Helen Trivett & Niomi Srivastava

Year 3 - Sian Goddard & Rachel Bateman

Year 4 - Tor Riley

Year 5 - Leonie Brunsden-Brown

Year 6 - Becky Corbett

These representatives are the main contacts for any fundraising events that the committee arrange and any queries or questions can be raised with them direct.

The committee will be meeting at the Punch Bowl and Ladle on Thursday 3 November at 7.30 pm to organise the Christmas Fayre which is being held on Friday 2 December. Everyone are welcome to attend. There will also be a non-school uniform day on Friday 25 November in exchange for tombola items for the fayre.

Finally I would like to pass on my thanks to Rebecca Corbett and Hannah Edyvean for the three years commitment they have given to Kea School Friends.

Katherine Warren.

Foundation Class Tea Party

The children in Foundation class celebrated the completion of their first half term here at Kea School on



Wednesday this week, with a celebratory party tea. The children made their own party hats, using potato print, repeating pattern shapes and decorated their own table mats. Thank you to all the parents for their very generous contributions of delicious party food. It was a lovely end to the half term.

Foundation class also baked some delicious bread rolls following our Harvest Festival. The children made a selection of white, garlic and tomato bread rolls. The white bread was the children's favourite with 28 children saying it was their favourite.



Last Tuesday and Wednesday, Romilly in Year 3 was lucky enough to take part in the operas La Boheme and Nabucco in the Hall for Cornwall. Her favourite part was running on at the beginning of the winter scene in La Boheme, throwing snowballs. She had great fun backstage with her friends and the cast.

It was an amazing experience for Romilly and all her fellow extras at Jason Thomas Dance!

Congratulations Romilly!



KEA SCHOOL - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October 2016

24-28 Oct Half term

31 Mon Deadline for Y6 parents to apply for a secondary school place

31 Mon Back to school

W/b 31 Years I - 6 parent / teacher consultation meetings this week Years I - 6

November 2016

Thur 3 12.45 - 2.30 pm nasal vaccines for Years 1, 2 & 3
Fri 4 Year 5 & 6 Football tournament at Truro College

Tues 8 3:40-4:30 pm An Introduction to Thrive (repeat of sessions last week) in Year 6 classroom
Tues 15 3:40-4:30 pm Thrive part 2 - (Power and Identity) meeting for parents in Year 6 classroom

Thur I7 I.00 pm Year I hearing screening

Fri 18 Children in Need (non school uniform - spotty - in return for a donation for Children in Need)
Fri 25 3:40-4:30pm Thrive part 2 - (Power and Identity) meeting for parents in Year 6 classroom
Fri 25 Kea School Friends non school uniform day - in exchange for tombola prize for Christmas Fayre

Mon 28 INSET day

Tues 29 9.10 am Christmas tree decoration assembly followed by open morning for all year groups

Wed 30 PM KSF ticketing tombola for the Christmas Fayre

December 2016

Fri 2 3.00-5.00 pm Kea School Friends Christmas Fayre

Tues 6 Last swimming session for year 3 and 4

Wed 7 Christmas dinner

Thurs 8 Infant nativity 2.30 pm (Years F, I & 2)

Fri 9 Infant nativity 9.30 am & 2.30 pm (Years F, I & 2)

Wed 14 KS2 practice in the church Wed 14 Junior nativity in church 6.00 pm

Wed 14 pm KS1 Christmas party
Thur 15 pm Y3/4 Christmas party
Fri 16 pm Y5/6 Christmas party
Fri 16 Break up for Christmas

January 2017

Tues 3 INSET



What Would You Like To See You In Your Local Museum?

We would like parents and grandparents who've brought their children along to our holiday activities to come and take part in our research into what should change, if anything, with these activities at the Royal Cornwall Museum in Truro.

The focus group of 6 people will last about 1.5 hours. All participants will receive a £20 Waterstones gift voucher. We will also provide refreshments and sandwiches. The date for the focus group is Tuesday 8 November at 11.00 am and it will take place at the museum.

To participate please contact Sophie Meyer on rsvp@royalcornwallmuseum.org.uk or 01872 245174.

