

KEA NEWS 21 July 2017

A GREAT PLACE TO LEARN AND MAKE FRIENDS

It feels no time since we were welcoming new children to Kea School and others to their new classes last September – and yet here we are at the end of the school year. In many ways the time seems to have flown, yet when we look back we can reflect on a wealth of learning opportunities, trips, experiences and fun that the children have had. I'm sure that many of these will stay with children forever, particularly the fantastic recent sports day, Kea Fayre – quite possibly the biggest and best ever and this week's performance of Mystery at Magpie Manor. Each of these events were incredibly successful and only made possible because of the fantastic team spirit here at Kea. Thanks to all staff, parents and other family members for all your support, enthusiasm and hard work throughout the year. Thanks also to Miss Brooks and Mrs Garside who are leaving us at the end of the term. They have both worked extremely hard to support and nurture all the children in their care and will be missed by everyone. We wish all our leavers, particularly Year 6 pupils every success in their futures - and hope they come to visit us and tell us of their adventures. I hope you all have a safe and happy summer holiday and look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 5 September.

Sports Day

On sports day it was a very sunny day and there were lots of different activities. We started off by walking around the fields waving our house coloured flags. Music was playing loudly which made us feel quite excited. In the morning we did quite a lot of activities including played golf – dribbling around the cones and we dribbled footballs round the cones to see how many we could get to the end.



We also had a lovely lunch with our mums and dads. Then we did the running races and quite a lot of people were fast. We had relay races with our house groups. Finally Miss Warren said the winning team and it was blues! At the end of the day, Mr Cotterill was amazed to see that he had walked 31600 steps with his Fitbit in just a day! Thank you to Mr Cotterill for organising such a brilliant and amazing sports day. We think it was the best sports day ever.



Written by Fenella and Primrose (year 2)











Clubs

Information has been sent home about the new booking procedure to sign children up for after school clubs next term. For bookings please use the link below, please note this link is case sensitive: http://bit.ly/2uuDwIA The deadline for club bookings is 31 August 2017. You do not need to book for the lunchtime choir or band club. Children wishing to join the ICT club need to speak to Mrs Perman or Mrs Stone direct.

Social Media

Please see the following link about Snap Chat. Although the minimum age for Snap Chat users is 13, we are aware that several children at Kea use this social media site on a regular basis. Their recent updates have enabled people to see on a map the exact location of someone sending a message or picture. https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=MhHXbGKshgw

Please ensure that your children are safe online and that their privacy settings are strong. This link contains useful guidance for parents: https://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/ snapchat guide.pdf

Kea Summer Fayre

Kea School Friends were very proud to host this year's 'Kea Summer Fayre' last Saturday.

We have had amazing feedback from those who visited on the day and enjoyed the bouncy castle, candy floss and hot dogs, as well as face painting, the waterslide and exploring the wonderful array of stalls.

We had an amazing live performance from Britain's Got Talent 2016 finalist, Josh Curnow, who was busy talking to children and visitors, as well as taking selfies and entertaining the crowds. Catherine Harvey wowed us with her fantastic live performance and it was exciting to bring so many new stalls and entertainment to Kea this year.

Kea School Friends would like to send a special thank you to Paul Bateman of Influence Planning for sponsoring the Ale and Cider Tent, as well as paying for all sports hoodies this year; to James of Kea Church who was a wonderfully entertaining compare for the day, to Carters Packaging who supplied the cups and plates and to every one who volunteered to man stalls and those who kindly gave raffle prizes - there are so many people to thank and the list is endless - we want you to know that we are so grateful to everyone for supporting on the day.

We were also very grateful to the large amount of teachers who came along, in their own time to support this fabulous event and we are really thankful.

We estimate that we had double the amount of visitors this year and are currently finalising the figures, but so far it looks like we've raised over £4.400 in total!

Kea School Friends has become stronger and stronger during this past school year and are already planning some very exciting events to raise much needed funds for our wonderful school - so watch this space ...!

Huge congratulations to all on such a wonderful event at Kea School.

Many Thanks Kea School Friends













Dancing Success



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Tues 19

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Wed 20



Congratulations to Ruby and Maya from Year I for their Contemporary and Street Dance with the Cornwall Dance Company in the Production of The Beast at the Hall for Cornwall on Sunday. Well done girls.

Weekly Attendance Figures

The attendance target set by the government is 95%. Kea School's attendance figures for week ending 14 July 2017. Whole school - 95.44%, Year F - 98.62%, Year I - 97.33%, Year 2 - 96.67%, Year 3 - 96.55%, Year 4 - 97.00%, Year 5 - 90.00%, Year 6 - 91.72%.

Violin lessons

Next term violin lessons will change to a Wednesday afternoon.



Parent Briefing Sessions

We are holding parent information briefing sessions for years 1-6 on the following dates/times. These will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's new teacher and to go through school routines etc.

Tues 5 Sept at 3.00 pm - Year 1 & Year 2
Thur 7 Sept at 3.00 pm - Year 3 & Year 4
Fri 8 Sept at 3.00 pm - Year 5 & Year 6

Parent Pupil Workshops

In the autumn term we will be holding parent/pupil workshops again. Each of these will start at 9.10 am and will comprise of an activity that parents are invited to carry out with their child, as well as information from the class teacher about the curriculum and internet safety.

Mon 18 Sept - Year 3
Tue 19 Sept - Year 4
Wed 20 Sept - Year 5
Thur 21 Sept - Year 1
Fri 22 Sept - Year 6
Mon 25 Sept - Year 2

Lost Property

Just a reminder to check the green box in the parent shelter to collect any lost property before the end of term. Checking your child's cloakroom area is also advisable to collect any lunch boxes, drink bottles, coats and PE kits. Any uncollected property will be disposed of at the end of term or donated to charity.

Message from School Kitchen

Can all outstanding payments for lunches to be paid in full by the end of term. Cheques need to be made payable to Interserve Catering Services Ltd. On the last day of term the school menu will be meat or cheese and onion pasties with chips, peas and baked beans with a selection of cakes and

KEA SCHOOL – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<u>July</u>	
Mon 24	2.00 pm Y6 Leavers' assembly
Mon 24	6.00 – 7.00 pm KSF Disco Year F, I & 2, 7.15 - 8.30 pm KSF Disco Years 3 - 6
Tues 25	Children break up
<u>September</u>	
Tues 5	First day of term
Tues 5	3.00 pm Year 1 & Year 2 parent briefings
Thurs 7	3.00 pm Year 3 & Year 4 parent briefings
Fri 8	3.00 pm Year 5 & Year 6 parent briefings
Tues 12	Year 3 & 4 swimming
Mon 18	9.10 am year 3 parent/pupil workshop

PM year 6 Hit the Surf session

9.10 am year 4 parent/pupil workshop

9.10 am year 5 parent/pupil workshop

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.