

# KEA NEWS 18 November 2021

# A GREAT PLACE TO LEARN AND MAKE FRIENDS

# **Message from Mrs Hunkin**

Over the past couple of weeks Mr Barritt and I have spent some time in most classrooms carrying out monitoring of children's learning. In every class we have been delighted to observe high levels of enthusiasm and focus. Pupils' books are showing clear progress since the start of term. We have observed many instances of pupils really wanting to do their best, using high levels of vocabulary in writing and really taking on board teacher input and feedback.

As many of you are aware, we have had high levels of staff absence so far this term (I imagine that many other organisations have experienced this recently too). Unfortunately we have had to cancel a number of after-school clubs as we have been unable to sort out alternative staffing. However, we are committed to ensuring that there is good provision and continuity for pupils in their classrooms and that they are not missing out on any learning. Parent / teacher consultations will take place the week beginning 22 November. Please sign up if you haven't already done so. I will be leading the meetings for Year 6 pupils.

We have received really high praise from prospective parents who have been taken on tours of the school by Year 6 Visitor Ambassadors. It is clear that these pupils really love the school and are able to talk about each class in a mature and informative way. Several of the visitors have remarked that they'd be thrilled if their young children grow up to be anything like these Year 6 pupils.

Please ensure that your children wear (or bring) suitably warm clothes every day as I have noticed one or two children looking a bit chilly in their classrooms and then realising they haven't brought their jumper to school.

#### Year 3

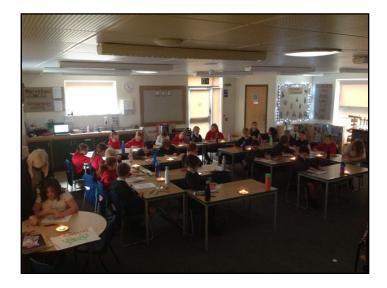
In year 3 Science we have been learning about light and dark. We have explored how light travels in a straight line and had a go using mirrors to reflect light in different directions. We have also looked at which materials reflect light more effectively.

Year 3 also made some lovely Bonfire Safety posters with Mrs Morgan.



## Year 4

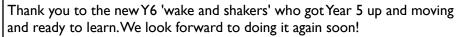
Here is a photo of our 'Divali' celebration in class. We learnt about the meaning of Divali in Hinduism and then lit some candles and decorated Mandalas for display on our topic working wall.



#### Year 5



Year 5 have completed their letters about the Viking raid on Lindisfarne. They not only look spectacular but have been written to a high standard with care, passion and effort. We have now added all children's work to our fantastic display, which the children created. A huge well done to Year 5 and keep up the good work.











## **School Council**

The new School Council members have been working hard thinking of great ideas to support Children in Need this year.

On Friday 19 November, children can come to school wearing non-school uniform, pyjamas or wearing something spotty.

We ask for a donation of £1



#### Year 6

A big thank you to the Rotary Club for donating books across the whole of Key Stage 2. Watch Out is a child's guide to everyday dangers.

"It tells you how to be safe around everything - roads, internet safety, and mobile phones" - Matilda, Year 6.

"The book is very useful" - Mia Rose, Year 6

"I found it very interesting, it explains how to say No" - Bea, Year 6



# **Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies**

We are looking for 2 Lunchtime Supervisors (Monday to Friday for 6.25 hours per week - 12.00 - 1.15pm) to assist with the supervision of pupils at lunchtime. The role will be to encourage pupils to play responsibly and

safely. Kea School is an exciting, ambitious and forward thinking primary school in Truro, Cornwall. Our friendly school has 203 children on roll.

Training and support will be given to the successful candidate.

These positions are fixed term until July 2022 in the first instance.

If you are unable to do 5 days a week please consider applying, as there is likely to be flexibility on days/hours.

For further information please view the job description and person specification on our website—www.keaschool.org.uk

# Stay and Play sessions at **Kea Preschool.**

We are very excited to be offering FREE stay and play sessions for children aged 18months - 4years (and parents) on the following dates from January 2022. Booking is essentiall

Our first sessions will run from 9.30am-10.30am on the following dates:

Monday 10th January 2022

Monday 17th January 2022

Monday 24th January 2022

Monday 31st January 2022



Come along and enjoy a range of activities in our Annex and pop on your waterproofs and wellies to explore our outdoor classroom.

Our stay and play sessions will be a lovely opportunity to make new friends.





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