

Knights Templar Community Church School and Nursery

Our Core Values: **Love** **Hope** **Commitment** **Belonging** **Respect**



Newsletter No. 3

11 October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to the KTSCA for two fantastic fundraising events last weekend. Both the Autumn Shopping Evening and the Pumpkins and Prosecco Event were a great success and we would like to say a BIG thank you to the school community for supporting these events to raise funds which will directly benefit the children in school.

This week, the school hall was filled with the sound of Viking warriors as KS2 children had a trip back in time - this has been subsidised by the KTSCA to ensure the costs to families is kept low.

Next week, we will be holding our Harvest Festival Services (see dates section) which will be an opportunity for parents and carers to join us in school.

Looking ahead to the coming weeks, we are very much looking forward to returning to face-to-face parents evening slots. We will need everyone's support in ensuring that the 10-minute slots run to time though!

Have a lovely weekend,
Laura Weaver
Head Teacher

News from Key Stage 2

We have had a very busy start to the new school year in Key Stage 2. In our lessons, we have been busy learning about the Vikings in History and on Monday we had an educational, interactive and engaging Viking day with Historic Workshops. We learnt about Viking battle formations, handled artefacts, played Viking board games, took part in a Viking Thing and an archaeological dig. It was a fantastic immersive experience. If any parents haven't contributed towards the cost of this event, please look in the 'Offers' section of Weduc to make your contribution.



In Science, we have been learning about States of Matter and we have enjoyed setting up experiments to investigate the conditions that cause a change of state.



In Computing, we have been using Scratch to create animations using a simultaneous code and we learnt how to copy the code to different sprites so we could create the effect we wanted super quickly!



Key Stage 2 Book recommendation:

Humphrey the egg has a list of rules to follow – no running, no jumping and NO sitting on walls! He knows what happened to his uncle Humpty. However, when he finds himself locked in a park with his pal PJ, he must escape by climbing over a wall. This is a funny graphic novel that will have you giggling out loud with many details to spot and some eggcellent puns!

The font is an upper and lower case which aids the legibility, and this would be a delight to share at home.

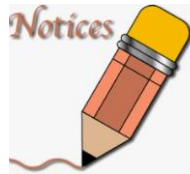


ZIGGY HAWAOK & DAISY WINTER

ATTENDANCE

Well done Mandela class on amazing attendance !

Reception	92.2 %
Donaldson	94.4 %
Anning	90 %
Attenborough	95.8 %
Rashford	93.8 %
Gates	93.2 %
Mandela	96.4 %



House Points

Doniford		367
Helwell		386
Blue Anchor		465
Warren Bay		449



October

15	Reception Harvest Festival
18	Yr 1-4 Harvest Festival
22	Police Dog Handling Talk
23 and 24	Parents Evenings
24	Non-Uniform day
25	INSET day

Thank you to those of you who supported our Autumnal Shopping Evening and Pumpkins & Prosecco Night. We raised £1102 over the 2 nights which is incredible.

Next, we have our PumpkinFest on Saturday 19th November from 11am-1pm. The event promises to be full of pumpkins, dragons and autumn colours. Tickets are £5.00 per child with accompanying adults free. This is open to the wider community too. To book, please use this link

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/ktzca/index.cfm?event=Shop>

To end the half term, we have a non uniform day on Thursday 24th October. Please could children bring in a donation of chocolate (big bars, multipacks, boxes; whatever you like) for this. The chocolate will be used on our popular chocolate tombola stall at our Christmas Fayre (30th November). Details to follow. Thank you.

KTSCA
Knights Templar School Community Association

Knights Templar Community Church School fully recognises the responsibility it has under the Education Act 2002 and the contribution it can make to protect children and support pupils in school.

If you are worried about a child in school, please contact: **Mrs Weaver - Designated Safeguarding Lead**. Information about the Child Protection Procedures that are followed in Somerset and in our school can be found at:

<http://sscb.safeguardingsomerset.org.uk/>

For information and advice contact Somerset Direct on: 0300 123 2224



FIRST SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our after school clubs offer a chance to stay active, build confidence, and have fun with friends! We pick children up from school and transport them to the EYE. Each week brings a new activity, from scooting, skating, and climbing to circus skills, and more! Every session includes a warm-up, an exciting activity, and a fun team challenge - at the end of the half-term, the school that wins the most challenges receive a certificate and a prize!



DUNSTER MONDAYS

Years 3 & 4 | Starting 4th November



ST MICHAEL'S TUESDAYS

Years 2, 3 & 4 | Starting 5th November



KNIGHTS TEMPLAR & OLD CLEEVE WEDNESDAYS

Years 2, 3 & 4 | Starting 6th November



MINEHEAD FIRST THURSDAYS

Years 2, 3 & 4 | Starting 7th November

£3.50 PER WEEK - PICK UP FROM MINEHEAD EYE AT 5PM

BOOK NOW AT MINEHEADEYE.CO.UK



Partnerships for
Inclusion of
Neurodiversity in
Schools



PARTNERSHIPS FOR INCLUSION OF NEURODIVERSITY IN SCHOOLS

We are delighted to share our first Parent Group which is part of the pilot of the new Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) project.

This group will be a chance for you to learn about the project, learn about what the forum does and help to decide what the groups will focus in the the future.

We hope that these groups with be a place to meet other parents and share experiences.

**Knights Templar Community
Church School
Friday 11th October
13:30 to 15:00**

PARENT GROUPS



Help us celebrate 35 years of



Join us for a

Halloween Trail

at the Snazaroo Factory!



- FREE EVENT FOR OUR LOCALS*
- FREE PARKING
- FREE MINI FACE PAINTING SET (ONE PER FAMILY)

Thursday 31st October 4 - 8 pm

Our event is just for the locals* and recommended for children under 10.

(* within approx. 12 miles of Minehead, proof of address may be required)

Snazaroo Holdings Ltd, Unit 1 Rainbow Way, Minehead, TA24 6FB





EAST QUAY



FESTIVAL OF COMMUNITY MAKING: FAMILY WORKSHOPS Saturday 19th October, 11am - 3pm, FREE

Join our architects to make something fabulous in these 4 free, drop in, open-to-all ages, workshops to build shelters for all beings at East Quay.

- Making a Community Shelter with Owen from Pearce+
- Frankenstein Furniture with Steve and Bo from McCloy+Muchemwa
- Mini Beast Mansions with Ella from Studio Bark
- Weaving and Textiles Architecture with Becca from New Practice

Mindful Mayhem @ The Minehead Eye

Next Term will begin Thursday 7th November
for 6 x weeks

Timings....

3.55pm - 4.55pm - Little Mayhems - Ages 5 - 9

These sessions are delivered in two age groups -

£36.00 for the term

5pm - 6pm - Mindfulness for Girls ages 9 +

£42.00 for the term

5pm - 6pm - Nurture Group with Beth

£36.00 for the term

6pm - 7pm - Mindful Middles ages 10 +

£42.00 for the term

To book email us at
Mindfulmayhemltd@gmail.com