

Knowsley Village Community Primary School Respect for All

Weekly Newsletter: 12th January 2024



Our value this term is Success.

Team Points Weekly Winners Congratulations this week goes to:



Well done to everyone for earning their team points this week. There are always team points ready for anyone showing our values.

Big Garden Birdwatch 2024

The annual Big Garden Birdwatch returns on $26^{th} - 28^{th}$ January. If you would like more information on how to take part, click on the link below:

https://www.birdfood.co.uk/the-biggarden-birdwatch

Mrs Barlow's Handwriting Heroes 🛠

Starting next week, this award is for those children who have shown dedication to working hard on their handwriting and letter formation. Children will be nominated and will feature in the newsletter each week.

Book Review:

An animal treasury:

For our young animal enthusiasts, vividly presented by wildlife expert, Chris Packham.

Learn about the extraordinary habitats of animals across the world and how they look after their families.

🦞 Weekly Attendance 🦞

Our weekly attendance target is 97%

Class	Percentage
KV Penguins	92.3%
KV Dolphins	91%
KV Pandas	85.7%
KV Leopards	91.5%
KV Jaguars	84.6%
KV Tigers	93.5%
KV Lions	93.9%
Overall, School	90.3%
Percentage	
Attendance	

The Rule of Law:

This week, Year 5 Tigers were visited by PCSO Hazel who spoke to them about The Rule of Law. She explained the legal definitions of stealing and talked about the laws regarding prosecution for crimes from the age of 10. The children listened attentively and asked lots of interesting questions.

Reception Class Places 2024

The closing date for applications to apply for a school Reception Class place is 15th January 2024, please see link below to apply. https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/residents/education-and-schools/apply-

for-a-school-place/annual-school-admission-procedures

After School Activities

A number of activities will be held after school throughout the week for different year groups. Clubs will take place from 3:30pm until 4:15pm. *A letter has been sent home with your child with more information.* **Monday:**

Year 1 Dolphins - iPad Club with Mrs Murray Year 2 Pandas - Film Club with Mrs Healey Year 4 Jaguars - Drawing Club with Mrs McCormick Year 5 Tigers - Music Club with Mrs Abrams <u>Tuesday:</u> Reception Penguins - Yoga Club with Mrs Wills Year 3 Leopards - Cooking Club with Miss Hannah Year 6 Lions - Maths Booster Club with Mrs Greensmith <u>Wednesday:</u>

KS2 Lunch time Choir Club with Miss Rowe.

Chinese New Year Party Day

On Thursday 19th January, we are having a promotional New Year School Meal. For £1 the children may have a Chinese party meal, which will include Crispy shredded chicken, Katsu curry, egg fried rice, noodles and prawn crackers.

Please note, there is no charge for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and no charge for children eligible for Free School Meals in Year 3 through to Year 6. There are prizes on offer from Knowsley School Meals Service to schools with the most children staying for a school dinner and it is also a great opportunity for your child to try a school dinner. If you would like your child to stay on this day, please pay your £1 via Parentpay.

Sugar Tots

Sugartots is a Parent/Carer and toddler session for pre-school aged children, which takes place in school each Tuesday morning from 9.15am - 10.45am. The children enjoy craft activities, playing with different toys, sharing stories, singing songs and having snacks! These are free sessions and a wonderful chance to meet new friends and develop social skills.



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Class Curriculum Information

Homework information is on class Seesaw. For more curriculum information see school website.



This week Nursery Turtles have enjoyed sharing the story 'Whatever Next'. They made some super rockets which they enjoyed playing with.



Reception Penguins have been learning about what happens when we sleep this week, including nocturnal animals and people who work at night. We have also been introduced to our new story 'Naughty Bus', we are very excited to read more of the book next week. In Maths we have been looking at 'zero and not zero' and organising number representations.

This week Year 1 Dolphins have been identifying things which are precious. In Maths the children have been exploring numbers to 20; reasoning and problem solving. In Science they are learning about seasons and making predictions. In Geography we have used Google Earth to explore local landmarks.



Year 2 Pandas have worked extremely hard this week. They have written amazing information reports all about The Great Fire of London, designed and began to sew their own tag bag and compared the UK to Africa. I am very impressed!



This week Year 3 Leopards have been working hard multiplying 2 digit by 1 digit numbers with exchange, we have also started our new class book 'Stone Age Boy' where the children have created a speech between two characters using inverted commas, well done everyone! Next week we will be continuing our class topic 'Rocks, Relics and Rumbles' and researching Mary Anning.



Year 4 Jaguars have enjoyed working with the CLC to create games using coding this week.



This week, Year 5 Tigers have been having fun investigating pneumatics and making their own 'talking boxes'. We have begun our new English topic centred around myths and our book 'Kai and the Monkey King' and continued our work on fractions. In Art, the children particularly enjoyed learning to draw with a continuous line in the style of Picasso.



Year 6 Lions have been working very hard this week, we have been improving our knowledge of ratio and proportions in maths and applying this knowledge to solve problems. In science too we have really enjoyed experimenting with circuits, in our topic of electricity, to create circuits using different batteries and looking at the impact of using higher voltage \bigcirc