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Newsletter

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Realising the God-Given Potential in Everyone

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Message from Mr. Krafft & Mrs. Deevooy

It is term 2 and the leaves are turning brown, the days are getting colder and long nights a drawing in. The hallways here are already filled with the sound of KS1 singing Christmas songs in preparation for their production! Term 1 flew by and was filled with exciting events and experiences aimed at inspiring the children to reach their God-given potential. Classes experienced trips, welcomed visitors and we even took a group of year 6 children to see an orchestra perform the music of Harry Potter! Zohab Zee Khan visiting was a real highlight! The children were so inspired and did a great job showing off their skills at our first ever Poetry Slam! Thank you for everyone who attended and supported!



Bishop Rose, The Bishop of Dover, visited us and blessed The Sanctuary. This is a quiet space where nature can thrive at the front of the school by the bike shelter. She was so impressed by our children and school that we are in the process of organising another visit so she can stay longer and really get to know our pupils! We were also delighted to welcome Rev. Bethuel Cheruiyot from Kenya, who presented us with a beautiful gift and we look forward to making long term links in the future.



We will continue to organise experiences and events to inspire the pupils and have a few things up our sleeve for the coming months. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,
Mr Krafft and Mrs Deevooy

Lateness

Thank you for your support in implementing the new pick up and drop off times. We appreciate new routines can take some time to embed but please remember the gates will close at 8:45am in the morning and the school day will end

at 3:15pm. Going forward, anyone arriving after this time may be marked late and this can have an impact on attendance. Thank you again for your support.

Bags – A Reminder

As winter closes in, and children begin bringing coats, hats, gloves and scarfs to school, we must remind everyone that bags must be book bags & drawstring bags only. As the school population has grown we are really pushed for corridor hanging space and this measure has helped keep corridors safe and clear for everyone. Thank you for continuing to help with this.

PFA Christmas Event

Our amazing PFA are just finalizing a few details but are hoping to host a Christmas Event on Wednesday 14th December – the same evening as the open classroom. The idea is families can spend a more relaxed evening at school, looking through your child's books, speaking to the teacher and seeing the classroom as well as enjoying festive refreshments, raffles and even a visit to our Christmas Grotto! More information will be sent out soon!



Website

Please note, we are currently developing a new website. If you are unable to access any information while we move between sites, please contact the school office and we will be able to help you out.

Remembrance

Preparations are underway for our annual Remembrance Service in school. If you wish to purchase a poppy or Royal British Legion merchandise, such as wristbands, reflector poppies or colouring pencils, please visit the school office.

Children in Need

On Friday 18th November, we will be taking part in a BIG DOODLE for Children in Need. This is inspired by the work of Liz Pichon (Tom Gates books) who is supporting Children in Need this year. During the day the children will contribute to a whole school doodle!

As a fund raiser, children will be able to have a NON-UNIFORM DAY in return for a donation. Collection buckets will be at the gate on the day. To link with the Doodle Day, it would be great to wear clothes with geometric patterns and shapes! We look forward to a SPOTacular day!



School Ping and Twitter

The school will use School Ping as the primary way of communicating with parents. This will include booking for parents evenings and giving permission for clubs and events. Please make sure you are accessing School Ping and if you have the app your notifications are on. If you have any difficulties, please come and see the school office.

Don't forget, we are also on Twitter. Make sure you follow @NewingtonCEP to keep up to date with the events at school.

Clubs

Below is a list of what we currently offer. If you have any ideas for future clubs, please let us know.

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| Monday | |
| Netball – KS2 | Mrs Jones |
| Tuesday | |
| Choir – KS1 & KS2 | Mrs Calder |
| Multi Sports – KS1 | Community Sports Academy |
| Ceili Dancing – KS2 | Miss Hendry |
| Story Stars – KS1 | Mrs Barton |
| Wednesday | |
| Tennis – Y1, 2, 3 & 4 | Danny Wynn |
| Multi Sports – KS2 | Community Sports Academy |
| Thursday | |
| Football – KS1 | Community Sports Academy |
| Football – KS2 | Mr Lloyd and Mr Krafft |
| Art – KS1 & KS2 | Miss Guthrie & Miss Blackburn |

Dates for Your Diary

Below is an outline of some of the things we have planned. We hope to add to this and will send messages through School Ping to individual classes.

Please ensure you check School Ping to stay up to date with the latest events going on in your child's class.

INSET DAYS – Pupils do not Attend

Inset Day 3 – Tuesday 3 January 2023

Inset Day 4 – Friday 23 June 2023

Inset Day 5 – to be confirmed

Term 2

November

- **Friday 11th November** – Remembrance
- **Monday 14th November** – Flu Vaccination
- **Monday 14th November** – Start of Anti Bullying Week – Reach Out
- **Friday 18th November** – Children in Need – The Big Doodle
- **Wednesday 23rd November** – Year 6 Parliament Visit
- **Tuesday 29th November** – 5 Year Olds Dental Screening
- **Wednesday 30th November** – Family Trust Christmas Show

December

- **Thursday 1st December** – KS1 Nativity (2 Shows)
- **Friday 2nd December** – Christingle
- **Friday 2nd December** – KS1 Nativity (1 Show)
- **Thursday 8th December** – Used Book Fayre
- **Friday 9th December** – Used Book Fayre
- **Wednesday 14th December** – Christmas Jumpers, Christmas Dinner and Christmas Parties
- **Wednesday 14th December** – PFA Christmas Event and Open Classrooms – 3:15pm – 5:00pm
- **Friday 16th December** - Christmas Service
- **Friday 16th December** – End of Term 2

Term 3

January

- **Tuesday 3rd January** – INSET DAY
- **Wednesday 4th January** – Start of Term 3

February

- **Wednesday 1st February to Tuesday 7th February** – Scholastics Book Fayre
- **Friday 10th February** – End of Term