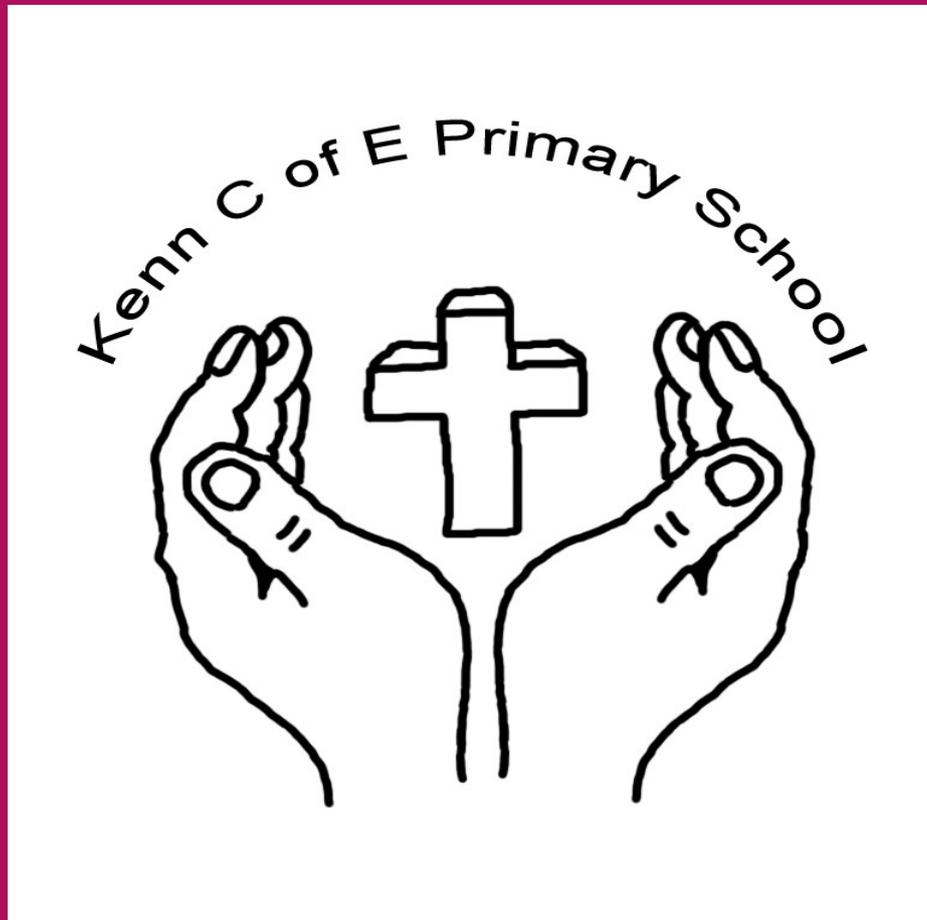


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Newsletter

Friday 13th November 2020

Diary of Events

Dates may be added or amended so please check the website for up to date information:

<http://www.kenn-primary.devon.sch.uk/calendar/>



Reminder

Social Distancing Outside of the School Gates - NOVEMBER UPDATE

Following the Government's new stricter rules from Thursday 5th September, the school asks:

- Please wear a facemask when you are dropping off or collecting your children
- Please be prompt (not early or late) to collect your child/ren from the allotted gate and time
- Ensure that 2m social distancing is respected between you and people from other families
- If you wait on the pavement on opposite side of the road, please cross the road to collect your child— we will not send them across the road to you
- Please leave the areas as soon as you have collected/dropped off your child/ren

As you will know, the COVID numbers are increasing at an alarming rate in our area, and we desperately want to do our best to keep children, parents and staff as safe as possible.



- Please ensure that your child is wearing plenty of clothing layers to school. The weather is only going to get colder and we are required to have well ventilated classrooms.

- Virtual Christmas will be uploaded to our website for the last week of term. Please take a look and share our festive creations with your families.

-To support our staff wellbeing, we would like to remind all parents that emails to school will not be answered over weekends and evenings. Many of our teachers work part-time so they will respond on their next working day.

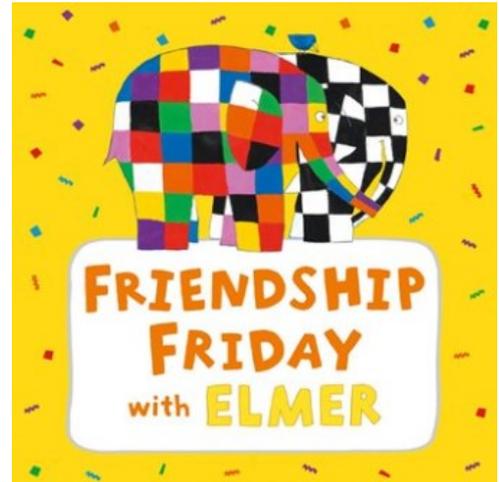
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Anti-bullying week

Friendship Friday 2020 will take place on **Friday 20th November** at the end of Anti-Bullying Week.

Children are invited to come to school dressed in bright, colourful clothes, in order to celebrate our differences and friendships.

During the day the children will be participating in activities that will reinforce this message.



NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe.* online programme

This term we will be participating in the **NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe.* online** programme. This consists of an online assembly and supporting classroom based activities. *Speak out. Stay safe.* is a safeguarding programme available to all primary schools in the UK and Channel Islands. It aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse in a child friendly, interactive way. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or Childline.

The NSPCC have developed an online version of their *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme to help overcome some of the challenges that the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has presented in relation to having external speakers in school. In the online assembly, the *Speak out. Stay safe.* messages continue to be delivered in a fun and interactive way with the help of their mascot Buddy as well as special guest appearances from Ant and Dec.

We have studied the content of the materials and are extremely confident that they are appropriate for primary-school-aged children. By the end of the programme, we're convinced children will feel empowered - knowing how they can speak out and stay safe.

If you would like to know more about the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme you can find more information on the NSPCC website www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout.

Talking PANTS with your children

The NSPCC's work in schools will help encourage conversations about staying safe and they have a number of child-friendly materials to help you carry on the conversation afterwards. That includes 'Talk PANTS', a simple way for parents to help keep children safe from sexual abuse - without using scary words or even mentioning sex.

The guide uses the rules of PANTS to teach children that their body belongs to them and them alone.

You can find out more and download the free resources at www.nspcc.org.uk/pants.

Childline Under 12's Website

Childline also have a website with age appropriate advice for primary school children on topics such as bullying. It also has games and other interactive tools. Your child can visit it at www.childline.org.uk/kids.

If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, or take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers, please visit their website www.nspcc.org.uk/parents.

Class 1 having fun with their learning



PTA NEWS

The PTA would like to say a massive thank you to all the children and parents that have got involved in the last two non-uniform days. Some brilliant sparkly, colourful and very snuggly outfits were worn! We raised nearly £200 which is an amazing achievement.

Unfortunately we have decided, due to the current pandemic, not to run the jute bags. Thank you so much to Donna for collecting all the pictures that the children had drawn, and we are sorry that they can't be made into a bag this year. But hopefully next year the exciting fund raising events that we have got planned can go ahead!

The last event of the year is festive attire day on Thursday 17th December. The children can wear anything that will get them into the Christmas spirit. Whether it be a Christmas jumper, a halo of tinsel or some jolly socks!

No donation is needed for this event, as we would really just like to say a massive thank you to everyone for supporting the PTA this term and for getting involved.

Thank you to everyone. From the PTA.

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Moldova shoe boxes



Dawlish Water Rotary Club is once more undertaking shoebox collections on behalf of Christian Response to Eastern Europe. Covid-19 has caused huge problems as we know in the UK, but in Moldova the problems are made even worse by the poor state of the country and a dry season that has decimated the harvest.

In the circumstances, this year's Christmas appeal is probably one of the most important we have ever had. These wonderful shoebox gifts, so carefully put together by you, will continue to make an enormous difference to many children and families in this poorest of countries.

Many thanks,
Bruce

To adhere to our Covid guidelines we ask that only adults bring the boxes to the office. Christmas Shoeboxes please leave outside the School Office by **9am Friday 20th November 2020. Please do not bring boxes any earlier as we can not keep them in school.**

A FEW IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

Age	Girls	Boys
2 to 4	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and hair brush Chocolates and biscuits Top, socks and tights Soft toys Colouring books and pencils A dress	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and comb Chocolates and biscuits T-shirt, socks and trousers Soft toys Colouring books and pencils Cars
4 to 7	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and hair brush Toy and a calculator Chocolate and biscuits A top, socks and tights Notepad and a copybook Felt tip pens and pencils Soap and shower gel Hair clips and slides	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and hair brush Chocolate and biscuits T-shirt, socks and sweater Copybook and notepad Paints, felt tip pens and pencils Lego and/or a car Soft toy
7 to 10	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and hair brush A game and a calculator Chocolates and biscuits A top, socks and tights Notepad and a copybook Felt tip pens and water colouring paints Soap and hand cream Hair clips and slides A mug or a glass	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and hair brush Chocolates and biscuits A T-shirt, socks and hat A copybook and notepad Water coloring paints and felt tip pens A lego, puzzles and a car A soft toy
10 to 12	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Hair brush A purse and a calculator Chocolates and biscuits A top, socks and tights A perfume and deodorant A hand cream and shower gel Hair clips and slides Jewellery	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and a hair brush Chocolates and biscuits A T-shirt, socks and gloves Felt tip pens and notepad A lego and a wallet A soft toy and a game A deodorant and shower gel
12 to 15	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and deodorant Paints and a notepad Chocolates and biscuits A top, socks and tights A brush, hair band and hair clip A game and face powder A purse, hat and gloves Jewellery	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and deodorant Chocolates and biscuits A T-shirt, socks and gloves Paints and a notepad Felt tip pens, pencils and pens A lego and puzzles A wallet and a car
15 to 18	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and deodorant Pens, pencils and a notepad Chocolates and biscuits A top, socks and tights A brush, hair band and hair clip A calculator and a watch A perfume and hand cream Jewellery Fragrant soap	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo, shower gel and deodorant Chocolates and biscuits A T-shirt, socks, a hat and gloves Paints, pens and a notepad A lego and a calculator A hair brush and a watch A towel
Granny or Grandpa	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo and deodorant Fragrant soaps Chocolates and biscuits	Toothpaste and a toothbrush Shampoo, shower gel and deodorant Razor and shaving cream Chocolates and biscuits

A polite reminder that we are doing our utmost to ensure that all children stay in year group bubbles at all times throughout the school day. We realise that siblings will cross bubbles when going home together but please support our vulnerable staff, children and parents by keeping to the government rules when outside of the school hours.



NHS Covid 19 phone app

Schools have been asked to promote the downloading and use of the NHS Covid 19 phone app among parents and staff. The aim of this is to assist the track and trace capacity across the country to slow down the spread of the virus.

Have you downloaded yours yet?



Covid symptoms

What to do if your child is unwell with Covid Symptoms

Dear Parents,

Please see this information below, taken directly from the NHS.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/>

Symptoms of coronavirus in children

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough - this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste - this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

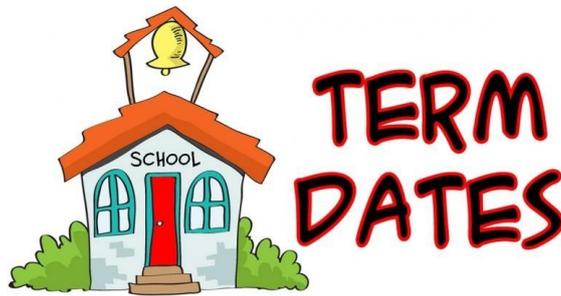
What to do if your child has symptoms

If your child has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

- Get a test to check if they have coronavirus as soon as possible.
- Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get the test result - only leave your home to have a test. Do not send your children into school until you have received a negative test result.
- Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get the result.
- Upon receiving a negative result, please send this to school via email for our records.

Sustainable school

- one of the aims in our outdoor learning is to foster respect for the natural world and an awareness of living sustainably on the planet. When you pack a healthy fruit snack for your child's breaktime please consider:
- does it need to be wrapped in plastic? Oranges, bananas and apples have their own protective skin!
- can you put fruit into a reusable tub? Raisins, grapes, soft berries etc can be protected in a tub you can wash and use over and over again
- can the fruit be unprocessed, in its natural state? Fruit winders and other packaged snacks often have an excess of sugar, as well as plastic packaging that cannot be recycled



AUTUMN TERM 2020

Autumn Term Ends Friday 18th December

SPRING TERM 2021 begins Tuesday 5th January

Half-term 15th to 19th February

Spring Term Ends Thursday 1st April

SUMMER TERM 2021 begins Tuesday 20th April 2021

Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2021

Half-term 31st May - 4th June 2021

Summer Term Ends Friday 23rd July 2021