

Kinsale Infant School

December 2021 Newsletter



Developing a love of learning for all. Always ready to learn.

Diary Dates

December 2021		
Mon 6 th Dec	Am	Tree Dressing Assembly Post box out in school for Christmas cards
Weds 8 th Dec	Lunch	Christmas lunch – Giraffes, Pandas and Leopards
Thurs 9 th Dec	Am	‘Happy Smiles’ dental awareness talk to each class
Fri 10 th Dec	All day	Christmas jumper day for all in aid of Save the Children
Mon 13 th Dec	PM	Hot chocolate Monday!
Weds 15 th Dec	Lunch	Christmas Lunch – Elephants, Lions and Tigers
Thurs 16 th Dec	Pm	Jack and the Beanstalk online panto
Thurs 16 th Dec	Am	Hellesdon High School music concert to each class
Fri 17 th Dec		End of Term – finish at 3.10pm
January 2022		
Tues 4 th Jan		INSET – no children in school
Weds 5 th Jan		Children back to school
Tues 11 th Jan		Lions start Forest School
Mon 17 th Jan		Clubs start this week – info to follow before Christmas
Mon 31 st Jan	PM	Hot chocolate Monday!
February 2022		
Friday 11th Feb		Last day of half term
14th-18th Feb		Half term holiday
Mon 21st Feb		Children back to school
Tues 22nd Feb		Pandas start Forest School
Mon 28th Feb		Hot Chocolate Monday!

Attendance

Good school attendance and punctuality is crucial and impacts hugely on learning and progress. Unauthorised absence from school may result in a penalty fine being issued.

Please ensure you inform us if your child is unwell. The office is open from 8.15am to 3.45pm daily.

We thank you for your support with our school attendance.

	8/11 – 12/11/21	15/11 – 19/11/21	22/11 – 26/11/21	29/11/21- 3/12/21
Leopards Class	99%	100%	86%	89%
Tigers Class	98%	100%	91%	90%
Lions Class	98%	96%	96%	92%
Pandas Class	97%	97%	89%	90%
Elephants Class	97%	99%	91%	90%
Giraffes Class	98%	97%	83%	82%

After School Clubs – Spring Term 2022

Thank you to those of you who completed our online questionnaire regarding clubs. We have taken on board your feedback; and have extended the range of clubs on offer next term.

It is surprisingly difficult to find good quality after school club providers, so please do let the school office know if you hear of any we should know about!

A letter will be emailed home soon with more information and booking links for clubs we will be offering from January 2022 for all year groups.

All clubs will be booked and paid for online on a first come, first served basis.

Children in Need

Everyone came dressed in their brightest clothes on Friday 19th November for Children in Need. We saw some really colourful clothes and lots of funky hair!

Thank you very much for all your kind online donations.

Christmas in school

As you know, we are sadly unable to do the traditional Christmas productions which we usually enjoy to perform to you all. We are grateful for your understanding with this situation.

This year, each year group will be presenting a Christmas performance online for you to enjoy. These video recordings will be added to your child's Tapestry account on **Friday 17th December at 4pm.**

We hope you will enjoy watching them with your child, and also find time to share the videos with friends and extended family. What you can expect to enjoy:

Reception – Tigers and Leopards will be retelling the traditional Christmas story, using some very imaginative props to help!

Year 1 – Pandas and Lions will be sharing a Christmas dance, Christmas poems and some singing

Year 2 – Elephants and Giraffes will be rewriting and sharing a Christmas story; illustrated by their Christmas art work

We have been so lucky to have a HUGE Christmas tree donated to us by **Taverham Garden Centre**. It is a very impressive tree (about 9ft tall!) and looks stunning in the school hall. Huge thanks to the staff at the Garden Centre, and to Mrs Clarke for her persuasive skills when sourcing the tree!

On Monday 6th December, the whole school took part in a tree dressing celebration led by Reverend Louise Alder – it was a magical celebration.

We will be looking to find a new home for the tree.....if you would be interested in collecting the tree for your garden or large room, it is available from 3.30pm on Friday 17th December. Please see Mrs Clarke in the office if you are interested.

On behalf of all staff and Governors, we wish you all a relaxing, enjoyable Christmas break and hope for a Happy, Healthy 2022.

I would also like to extend my thanks to you all for your continued support over the last few months.

Miss Louise Robinson
Head Teacher