

# Kemble Primary School

Tues 20th October

21st October—Last day of term

2nd November—Return to school

3rd November— Parents' evening 3.30-5pm

4th November— Parents' evening 5-7pm

7th November—KPG Firework night

11th November 11am
Remembrance War
Memorial
Chestnut and H
Chestnut

12th November
Dyslexia/dyscalculia
Info evening 6-7pm
School Hall

16th November— Kemble Open Day 9.15 -11.15am

20th November
Parent / Head Chat 9:30 - school hall

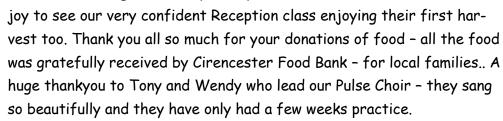


# This Terms Worship Theme is: THANKFULNESS

#### Harvest Festival

May I say how thrilled I was to watch and listen to the children during this year's Harvest Celebration.

The children sang beautifully and spoke well. It was a



#### Half Term

It has come along so quickly, but we break up on Wednesday for the half term break. This is such a special time of year outside with so many activities to keep children busy. Here are a few that you might like to do with friends:

- ✓ Make use of Mr Brown's i-can sports club (details in the office)
- ✓ Go on a conker hunt who can find the largest? Who can find the smallest? String up a conker and teach your children how to battle!
- Make a hedgehog house in your garden for those special visitors (old flower pots and straw)
- ✓ Visit Cirencester Museum they have lots of activities for rainy days
- Visit Westonbirt Arboretum a very special day out at this time of year
- Collect leaves and make a collage of autumn leaves
- ✓ Years 4, 5 and 6 look in your Citizenship Booklets and see if you can tick off any areas
- Go on a nature walk and see if you can name the trees by looking at their leaves
- An Autumn football match and picnic with other members of the class is great fun!
- ✓ Visit the library they always have lots of things going on

THANK YOU Just a note to say thank you all for sending your children to school 'smarter'. It has been noticed by visitors to school and members of the public that our children look smart and are very well-mannered and polite too. I am very proud of them. However, please can I remind you that trainers in bright colours are not acceptable footwear.



#### DYSLEXIA / DYSCALCULIA EVENING

Dyslexia / Dyscalculia Information Evening (Approx - 1 hour) - Kemble School Hall at 6:00pm on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November - we are very lucky to have Mrs Sarah Couzens to give a talk on this very high profile area - Sarah will be able to answer any questions you may have. I hope to see lots of you there.

#### WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER

Next term we have Iain Green, a professional wildlife photographer joining each school for a day. Every child will have an opportunity to capture either our beautiful grounds or wildlife in the school grounds. Once the photographs have been collated, Iain will send us a selection of the best for us to display. We will then hold an art exhibition! Iain joins Siddington on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November and Kemble on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

#### SCIENCE FAIRS

Miss Hancox and Mrs Parmiter have been busy with the staff planning some exciting science activities for the children on special science days - please be aware that all normal activities will be suspended on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November for Kemble and Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November for Siddington. More information will follow, but we hope that parents will be able to come and see science in action on these days!

#### REMEMBRANCE

On 11<sup>th</sup> November at 11:00am children in Horse Chestnut and Chestnut Class with their teachers will go up to the War Memorial. Children will be remember those who lost their lives serving their country, but this year as well the children will remember animals that help in war. The children will lay a special wreath and say a prayer. If any parents want to come along you will be more than welcome and we hope that you can bring dogs and even horses too!

### Mid Day Supervisor Vacancy



We are still looking for someone to join our MDSA team. This position which can be from 1 hour to 5 hours weekly involves playing with the children - encouraging them to play traditional games, reading or playing cards or dominoes with them and assisting in the dining room on occasion - helping children to have a happy lunchtime. If you are interested in this position, [please ask for further details in the school office.

#### OPEN MORNING

We are holding an open morning at the school on Monday  $16^{th}$  November 9:15 - 11:15am. Come and see Kemble School in action - you will be free to wander from class to class. The morning is for current and prospective parents and anyone who interested to call in and see us!

#### KEMBLE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

If a place has been booked in KASC but is no longer required, please email the school office by 12 noon of that day or we will have to charge you. Please be prompt to collect your child to avoid going into the next hour. Some children are going straight to KASC instead of going to their after school club first because they no longer wish to go to their club. The school is happy to accept the children earlier than their booking form says, but please note, you will be charged for this additional hour. If you want us to insist to your child that they must attend their after school club first, please let Annabel know and you will be asked to sign to say they must go.

If your child has signed up for an after school club and they no longer want to go, please can you let us know so that staff are not looking for them at the end of the school day. Some clubs, I can Sports on Wednesday, Code Club on Thursday were oversubscribed so were split into 2 groups. If you had either of these clubs, this term your child will not be doing them after half term. The office will text or email out to parents if your child is due to start a new club next term.

Thank you for your help on this.

# Thank you -

We are thrilled that Ian Smith and some colleagues from Nationwide used our school for one of their community projects last week. You will notice that the old pond area has been worked on. The group removed the old pond liner, metal cover, weeds, reeds and straggly plants. As the pond was not used by wildlife as it had to be filled with tap water, we are going to turn it into a bee paradise - and a nature learning area for the children.

Stage 2 will be to fill up the hole and cover with top soil - Mr Beard has kindly said he can help with this stage.

Stage 3 will be led by Mrs Bryant and her brother Mr Probert. They are are bee 'experts' and they will chat to the school council and plan bee friendly planting around the area. Children will make bee houses to hang in the area. Some plants that attract the bees are already in place, but in the Spring, the planting will commence and we will hang bee fact sheets and

interest books along the fence. This will be our quieter area for playtimes and lunchtimes.

#### PARENTS EVENINGS

Please remember that we have a parent evenings on 3rd November—Parents' evening 3.30-5pm or 4th November—Parents' evening 5-7pm

Please can everyone sign up on the sheets outside the classrooms. It is so important to come along to this so that we can discuss together progress that has been made and what targets the children are working towards - we look forward to seeing you!

Have a lovely Half Term!





## November Birthdays

Ruby, Millie,
Lyta, Louis
Phoebe, Jonathan
Beth, Linda, Chance