



Kemble Primary School

29th January 2018

**This Terms Assembly Theme is:
Truthfulness**

6th February
KNEX Challenge for
Years 5/6

7th February
Horse Chestnut Class
Assembly at 9am

9th February
End of term and
KPG Valentines Disco

19th February
INSET day

20th February
Start of Term 4

1st March
World Book day

2nd March
Parent/Head Chat
9.30am Blue Room

7th March
Oak Class assembly
9am

7th March
Arts Evening (KS2
invite only)

9th March
Interim Reports Out

Dear Parents,

SAD NEWS - It is with great sadness that I need to inform you that our deputy and Reception class teacher Mrs Newton, will be retiring at the end of this academic year. We knew that the time would come and Mrs Newton has now decided the time is right for her to spend time with her husband. Please see Mrs Newton's attached letter.

Mrs Newton is one of a kind. She is the most wonderful caring, kind teacher who has dedicated her life to the education and care of the children. Her 28 years at Kemble is a testament to this dedication and many (nearly 1000 pupils) have blossomed and grown under her nurturing.

Mrs Newton has given so much to the school, not only in her duties as teacher, but as a deputy (supporting 5 head teachers) and Special Needs Co-ordinator, and in extension activities such as her country dancing. She has helped to support and develop students and teachers in the school and is always someone we can all turn to in times of need. Mrs Newton will be missed so much, but we will be encouraging her to continue links with the school in other ways.

The governors and I will be recruiting for a new member of staff after half term to start in September 2018. We will keep you informed of this.



GOVERNOR / PARENT CHAT - Please see this message from Mr Smith:

'In a change to the usual format, and while a Carol has strategy day, our next meeting will be a **Parent Governor Chat!** Please come along at 9.30am Friday 2 March in the Blue Room after Celebration Assembly to share your thoughts on all things Kemble School and put any questions you have to Governors. We hope to see you there'.

Ian Smith, Chair of Governors.



MAT UPDATE - Progress is still being made towards our projected date of 1st April. We are working on legal documents, transfer agreements, funding certificates etc.

SNACKS - Please can we remind all parents and children that the morning snack is to be fruit or vegetable snacks only - please leave your biscuits, rice cakes and snack bars for lunchtime. Yogurt or chocolate coated dried fruit are not permitted for snacks.



EASTER CHALLENGE - Following on from the article on 'building' and how important it is for children to have opportunities to design and make, I would like to set a family challenge....

Using one shoe box, please design your dream playroom. All members of the family can join in, and it would be wonderful to see what creations are presented! I would like to display them at the Friday assembly on Friday 23rd February. So get out your egg boxes and sticky back plastic / tape and have fun!



TD Day - We have a TD Day on Monday 19th February so we look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 20th. For those parents who are regularly late... please can you make a huge effort to arrive at school on time - it just means leaving the house 10 minutes earlier! We send our registration documents in to the DfE and it is noted that we have regular late children and if 10 minutes is missed each day (we have SODA - start of the day activities) it has quite a negative impact on their learning. Thanking you in advance!

Lunch Forms / Breakfast Club and After School Club forms

Please can you return your lunch orders for Term 4 and bookings for Term 4 Breakfast Club and After School Club into the school office by Wednesday 7th February latest.

Clubs

Clubs are running as normal this week, and will restart on Tuesday 20th February.

Message from School Trends – Uniform supplier

School Trends our uniform supplier has announced that it has frozen its prices, so you can buy the School Trends quality products that you love for the same price as last year! To find your school simply visit www.schooltrends.co.uk/pages/find-my-school. If uniform is getting a bit snug, order the next size up, School Trends garments last the long term.



February Birthdays

Betty, Joe, Lexie, Sam, Artie, Willow, Ruth, Arthur