

Knights Enham Junior School



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This week we are looking forward to Book Week and putting the final plans in place. Today you will get a letter from Mrs Burrough our English Lead and Mr Parkinson our librarian outlining the main events of the week.

Do come in and meet our poet Stewart Henderson and purchase a signed copy of his book on Tuesday.

Don't forget Dress up day on Friday 13th March. (We will not be dressing up this week for World Book Day.) Hopefully costumes will be more available and some bargains might be had as we are dressing up at a different time to many other schools.

As usual the children will all get a £1 book token as part of World Book Day please this week's Library News for more details about how they can use it.

We are hoping for all children to get the reading bug during the week and we would hope that you will support our efforts in getting every child reading.

Sally Harvey – Interim Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Inset Days

Monday 1 June 2020

Wednesday 22 July 2020

Book Week 9 – 13 March 2020

Dressing up day – Friday 13 March 2020

Last day of term Fri 3 April 2020

Summer term dates

Summer term starts Mon 20 April 2020

Walk to School week - 18-22 May

Photographer (Class and leavers) 23 June

Half term 25 – 29 May 2020

Term ends Tuesday 21 July 2020

Knights of the Week!

Well done to last week's Knights of the week.

**Maria, Kyra-Lee, Kaitlyn, Kyra, Marley, Charlie, Mariella, Andrew, Alfie,
Ella, Charlie, Layla, Sophia, Harrison, Ruby, Ava**

Attendance for week beginning

24th February 2020

93.25%

Parent Governor

Please see the accompanying letter which gives details concerning the process to appoint a new parent governor to the school Board of Governors. Please consider becoming a Governor the role is interesting and one where you can make a real difference to the school.

No previous experience is needed as training is available. The Board is a friendly group who want to make Knights Enham Junior School a better school working strategically with the school staff who have a day to day operational role in running the school.

It is an exciting time to join the Board as the school looks to appoint a new Headteacher and move forward so come and join the team.

If you need more information or would like to chat about the position then please come in and talk to me or I can put you in touch with Louise Maratos the Chair of Governors.

We have been informed that some children have been seen playing by the back gate before and after school. Please can parents ensure that their children are supervised when they are near the busy roads that surround the school site.

School Uniform

Well done to everyone who is making an effort with school uniform the children are already looking much smarter and visitors to the school are noticing and commenting.

There is some confusion over the shirt colours with some children wearing blue and some wearing white. The official school colour is light blue and we would eventually like to see all children in blue shirts. We recognise that there will be a changeover period whilst children wear out or grow out of their white shirts. I would ask that if you are buying new school uniform you purchase blue shirts. I am reliably informed that Lidl was selling packs of 2 shirts last week at a bargain price!



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School Cleaner

We are looking to appoint an additional cleaner to join our friendly site team.

The cleaner is needed out of school hours for about an hour and half a day.

Please contact the school office or Mrs Harvey for more information.

Lates

Stood on the counter this morning I noticed just how many children are still arriving late and are coming through the front door after 9.00.

The doors open at 8.45 and registration is at 9.00 with lessons starting immediately after that. Children who arrive after 9.00 are not only missing the start of the lesson but are also disrupting the learning of other children in the class.

The few minutes settling in time are an important part of the school day as children have time to put their things away and greet their friends and their teacher before settling down in a calm way to their learning. Arriving late means starting in a rush and entering the classroom when everyone else has already started.

If you are struggling to get your child to school in the mornings, please come and talk to us. We may be able to help!



Absence

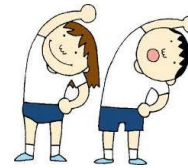
If your child is off school for any reason we ask that you phone the school office as soon as possible to inform us. Before 8.00 am you can leave a message on the answerphone.

If we do not hear from you we will phone to check and if we get no response we will make a house call.

We are obliged on safeguarding grounds to be able to account for all the children in the school.

If your child is unwell for more than one day we require a phone call everyday.

PE kits



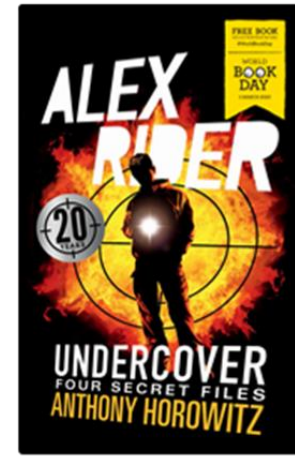
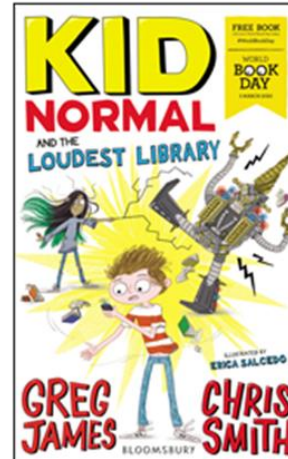
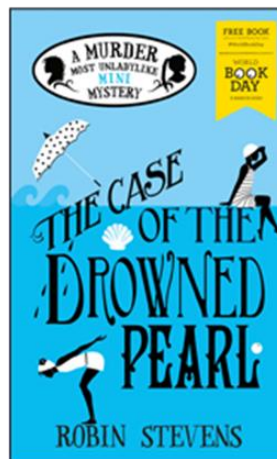
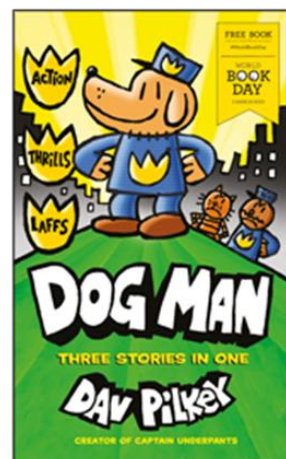
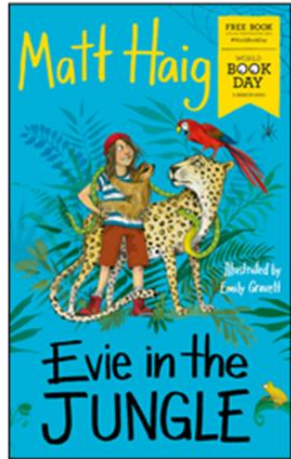
A number of children are in school without their PE kits. Children need to have a kit on their PE days. I believe that the school used to have a stock of spare kit which they could loan on the occasion a child forgot their kit but over time this kit has been lost or not returned.

If a child comes without their kit we will phone home and request that the kit is brought in as PE lessons are a legal requirement for every child and for many it is the highlight of the week.

Library News



During Book Week children will have the chance to exchange their £1 Book token for one of the special *World Book Day* titles. See below for the books that are available.



The token exchange will take place during the school day on Monday and Tuesday of Book Week. These books are for the children to keep and enjoy at home.

