

KILMORIE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



2 December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

They say don't work with animals or children, but I would add in IT too! I wrote last week that the website was going live last weekend. However, as you will be aware, it still has not happened. Benita and Jo have spent the whole week chasing the reason behind this and it's frustratingly a case of communication between the old supplier and the new supplier. We have been assured that they are working on this today...

Winter Performances

The office has worked through the lists of registrations for the Winter Performances, removing duplications and sending confirmation emails to all parents/carers. Brilliantly, this has freed up some tickets, so do please retry the link. If you have not received your confirmation email / unable to book, do contact the office where they will try and help.

Next Tuesday, we have 'Teach-It Through Drama' theatre company performing for Nursery, Reception and Year 1.

Music Performances

On Thursday morning the children, who have been having brass / ukulele peripatetic music lessons this term, showcased their progress to their parents and carers. The children performed very well, despite the odd nerves. It was incredible to think that some of the children have only been learning the instrument this term, their progress has been incredible. Well done to the students and Dave, the music teacher.

Next week we have:

- Guitar – Monday morning 5th December
- Violin - Wednesday morning 7th December

Parents evening for spring term

Next term we will be returning to in-person parent's evening which will follow the normal booking procedures. We will write nearer the time with further details.

Christmas dinner will now be served on Monday 12th

Due to teacher commitments as well as the Winter Performances schedule, we have had to move the Christmas dinner from Thursday 8th December to Monday 12th December. Children are still very welcome to dress up on either days should they wish to. If you have already booked the Christmas lunch for the 8th – we will carry this booking to the 12th. [If you wish to book, please do so here before end of day on Monday 5th December.](#)

Can we Help?

This time of year always puts an enormous strain on families emotionally as well as financially. However, this year we have a number of additional pressures from what is happening nationally and globally. If you are struggling do please reach out to us as we may be able to help. Please speak to Nicola Cann or myself.

Christmas fair is this weekend – few reminders: The fair starts at 1.30pm and only volunteers will be allowed into the school before this time. Upper phase choir will be bringing some festive cheer at 2.30pm on the outside stage. No children, past or present, will be allowed to attend the fair unaccompanied. We politely ask volunteers to come to the gate on Elsinore Rd side where you will be asked your name; you will not be allowed through the Kilmorie gate (the alleyway will be open).

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

Thank you to Winkworth estate agents for the beautiful Christmas tree. Winkworth is our Friends of Kilmorie (FOK) sponsor, supporting us in all FOK events. Please remember that if you are planning to sell or rent, please do mention FOK at time of listing, they will receive a referral fee.



Chocolate weight winners – thank you to everyone for your generosity with donations for the chocolate tombola. I am delighted to announce the winners, in **1st place** with an amazing 17,473g are Butterflies, closely followed by Treefrogs in **2nd place** with an equally impressive 15,055g. Both classes will receive a treat for your class, FOK will liaise with your teachers.

As I finish writing the newsletter, the school is turning into a winter wonderland ready for tomorrow's Friends of Kilmorie's Winter Fair. The team are working hard to make it another amazing event. Whilst the weather looks set to be grey, fingers crossed it stays dry. If you are coming I look forward to seeing you there.

Julie

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Community News

[Starting primary school in 2023 - advice and support for Lewisham families](#)

On Wednesday 14 December (9am-6pm at Catford Library, Lewisham) you are welcome to attend a free informal event for parents to learn about the primary application process. Including information about Admissions, Family Information Service, Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), and Free School Meals teams.

School News

Enrichment clubs – we still have spaces available in several of the Spring enrichment clubs including; Steel pans, Kate's Physical wellbeing/Circuit Training and Boys street dance - please check ParentPay for the latest availability.

Friends of Kilmorie (FOK) News

Raffle Tickets – Children should bring home raffle tickets this week or early next. The draw isn't taking place at the Winter Fair but instead will happen online on FOK's [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) on **Friday 9th December**.

Ticket stubs (the smaller bit) with your name/telephone number written on every one, plus correct money and any unwanted tickets should be returned to the office in the envelope provided **by 9am on Friday 9th December**. Extra books are available to collect from the office / wrap pick up.

Winter Fair Games Tokens - Please do not panic if you didn't manage to pre-order tokens, they will be available to buy at the fair. All other stalls / activities will accept other methods of payment, including Santa's grotto, chocolate tombola and the carousel.

Cake Donations – We desperately need donations for the cake stall - homemade or shop bought. If homemade, please include a list of ingredients. It would be great to have some 'Free From' options as well. You can bring them straight to the cafe in the hall tomorrow. Thank you!

Festive Cards – It's not too late to order cards designed by your children if they did them in school (Y2 and up) or at home (Nursery – Year 1). [Search for their name](#) at www.mychildsart.co.uk/order. Username: Kilmorie, Password: RC69qkUH. For every order, Kilmorie receives a commission.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Class	Attendance %	Punctuality %
Y1 Butterflies	96.41	99.67
Y1 Ladybirds	97.51	100.00 ★
Y1 Treefrogs	95.64	99.33
Y2 Sarah C	95.88	100.00 ★
Y2 Shona	97.29	100.00 ★
Y2 Kate	94.98	99.66
Y3 Maria & Jane	97.80	99.31
Y3 Joanne	96.52	98.67
Y3 Elis	96.82	98.33
Y4 Rebecca	96.84	98.57
Y4 Shipra	95.04	98.21
Y4 Sarah R	96.95	98.93
Y5 Vicky	96.72	99.33
Y5 Conor	97.17	100.00 ★
Y5 Ayo	95.58	100.00 ★
Y6 Dominic	94.37	98.67
Y6 Nora	95.79	100.00 ★
Y6 Jo	96.74	99.26

ATTENDANCE MATTERS EVERY DAY



Below 90% : Serious Concern. Persistent absence.

90-95% : Concern. Low attendance.

At least 96% = Expected Attendance

Fantastic punctuality!

Well done Ladybirds, Sarah C, Shona, Conor, Ayo & Nora

Dates for your diary

- w/c 5th Dec Winter Performances continue
- 8th Dec - Christmas jumper day
- 12th December - Christmas lunch
- 16th December - last day of term - 2pm finish / 1.45pm for nursery.