

# KILMORIE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

30 September 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely week.

**Assembly this week:** On Monday Dennis led the assembly, introducing Black History Month. He spoke about his personal educational journey through history, highlighting the issue that it was predominately 'white history'. He highlighted this by asking a question to the school - 'How many black inventors can you name'? Dennis then looked to redress this by highlighting the contribution of black people throughout history, from John Blanke to Walter Tull to Billy Strachan. He finished by emphasising that 'white history' cannot be taught in a month, similarly 'black history' cannot either. Whilst October is a time to celebrate Black History, our study of black history is not be confined to October but throughout the year.

**Congratulations:** Whilst data outcomes do not represent the whole child and their achievements, they are important to a child's life chances. Last year's results were particularly important as they follow the two very disrupted years our children have had. For all of the statutory assessments (Early Years Good Level of Development (GLD), Phonics, end of Key Stage 1, Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check and end of Key Stage 2), we are once again **above both Lewisham and National**. Writing continues to be an area that requires focus, both Nationally and within Kilmorie. I am sure you will join me in saying a massive congratulations to everyone for the hard work in supporting all children to achieve their best possible outcomes.

**Absence:** I will be absent from school from Monday 10th October as I will be having some medical treatment. The following has been put in place for my absence:

- W/b 10th October, Kate will lead the school Monday, Thursday & Friday. Dennis will lead Tuesday & Wednesday
- W/b 17th October, Dennis will lead Monday & Tuesday and Kate will lead Wednesday – Friday
- After half term, Kate will lead the school Monday – Wednesday and Dennis Thursday & Friday. I will hopefully be working from home; however, it will be on reduced hours as I build my strength back up
- It is currently planned that I will return to school w/b 21/11/22

If you need to speak to the 'Head' during my absence please contact either Kate or Dennis, who I am confident will be able to effectively deal with anything you have raised. However, the Assistant Headteachers for your child's phase are also a good place to go to, if you wish to discuss anything that the class teacher is unable to deal with. I would also like to thank you in advance for your support to both myself and the leadership team.

**Parking in Elsinore Road:** I have had a neighbour ask if parents could be mindful of using Elsinore Road to park and to be careful when doing so. There have been incidents of cars getting damaged and residents, of the flats, finding it hard to park when returning from night shifts; thank you for your cooperation.

**Year 6 School Journey:** Next week the year 6 children are off to Condover Hall in Shropshire. The staff members who will be accompanying are: Jo C, Dennis, Dominic, Shivani, Kay and Jane R. I am sure you will join me in wishing them a fabulous week – lets hope the rain stays away for them. I look forward to hearing all about it upon their return.

**Keeping Your Child Safe Online:** It has reported to us that an adult has been contacting a child online through Roblox, using emotive language and sending persuasive messages. If your child is contacted inappropriately online, the most important thing to do is to block the user and report the incident.

[Here is a link to some parental controls on Roblox](#), which includes how to report an account to the platform and how to block users.

You can [use this CEOP link to report any abuse online or concerns](#) and / or contact the police directly on 101 instead if you were to feel a child is in any danger. Please monitor your child when they are using devices and playing games, it can happen to anyone.

## Further Resources To Keep Your Child Safe Online:

- <https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/online-grooming/deal-with-it/>
- <https://www.childnet.com/blog/roblox-a-guide-for-parents/>
- <https://www.childnet.com/resources/family-agreement/>

Have a wonderful weekend

Kind regards

Julie

## You Don't Need To Suffer Alone

If you are needing support to keep you and your family safe. All of these organisations are completely confidential, non judgemental and can help you make some decisions or changes to keep safe. [Advice can be found here](#). Athena - Telephone: 0800 112 4052



## Friends of Kilmore (FOK) News - Autumn Term FOK Events

FOK will soon be launching the annual Kilmore **tea towel and festive card** process - watch this space for more info!

Please also save the date for two fabulous FOK Christmas events:

- **Friday 25th November** 7 – 9.30pm – Festive Wreath Making with Katie Mitchell from By-Me
- **Saturday 3rd December** 1.30 - 4.30pm – Kilmore Christmas Fair

**Stallholders Wanted!** We are excited to be bringing back our festive Makers Market at the Christmas fair. If you'd like a table to sell your crafty wares, [please fill in this short google form to register your interest](#).

## School News

**Lost Property** - We are looking into ways to reunite parents with lost property (clothing), in the first instance please have a look at the items outside on the fence and in the lost property bin (by main gate). If you have lost any high value or non clothing items, please contact the school office.

### Community News

#### Polio Vaccination

The local Council and NHS teams would like to make sure parents are aware of the [Polio Booster Vaccination Programme](#). Following the detection of polio virus in sewage samples taken from North and East London, the NHS is offering all 1-9 year olds in London a polio booster vaccination.

#### Lewisham Foodbank this Harvest

Lewisham Foodbank has nominated Kilmore as a dessert donor this harvest. They have suggested items such as jelly, tinned custard, tinned rice pudding, sponge pudding. If you prefer to give more general food donations, they would also be grateful for these. Please bring all donations to the main office - thank you.

#### Conservatoire Half Term Programme

Conservatoire provide welcoming and creative tuition in music, art and drama to the community of South East London. They are offering an eclectic mix of classes over half term - [please follow this link to view their leaflet / timetable](#).

### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Class	Attendance %	Punctuality %
Y1 Butterflies	97.05	100.00 ★
Y1 Ladybirds	95.57	100.00 ★
Y1 Treefrogs	91.91	99.26
Y2 Sarah C	94.66	98.47
Y2 Shona	100.00	99.60
Y2 Kate	97.71	97.33
Y3 Maria & Jane	98.85	98.09
Y3 Joanne	99.26	97.41
Y3 Elis	99.23	98.47
Y4 Rebecca	99.57	96.95
Y4 Shipra	93.89	99.62
Y4 Sarah R	98.42	98.81
Y5 Vicky	95.20	98.52
Y5 Conor	98.42	98.81
Y5 Ayo	96.02	100.00 ★
Y6 Dominic	98.08	97.70
Y6 Nora	97.87	99.57
Y6 Jo	100.00	100.00 ★

**ATTENDANCE MATTERS EVERY DAY**

### Dates for your diary

- School Photographer will be in school on Monday 3rd October taking Y1 ladybirds & Y2 individual photos.
- **IMPORTANT** - Inset day - Friday 21st October