Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas is fast approaching and we are in full swing here at King's Academy College Park! The corridors are decorated, the children are practising their songs for our Christmas events and our PTA are working hard on our Winter Jumper Sale.

Please see below for all of your diary dates so we can celebrate this special time of year together.



WINTER JUMPER DAY

On Friday 10th December we are having our Winter Jumper Day to raise money for Save the Children.



Please note — this is not a non-uniform day. Your child is expected to attend school with their usual uniform, but instead of a school jumper, a winter themed jumper instead.

Children in Need



Thank you to everyone from our school community who helped us to raise £653 for Children in Need!

A note from our PTA

Friends of KACP have been very busy this month!

They are arranging for both the infant and junior school to each have a beautiful potted Christmas tree for the children to decorate, take care of and have as a focal outdoor point for singing their festive songs.

A Virtual Pantomime has been purchased to be live streamed to all children and there will be related activities for them to take part in on the build up to this event.

Friends of KACP has also organised a Winter-themed Jumper sale and book sale event in the school playgrounds (or halls weather permitting) immediately after school on Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th December so don't forget to bring your change!

If you would like to be added to join the Friends of KACP WhatsApp group or would like to make a donation to Friends of KACP, please contact us at friendsofcpljschools@gmail.com

Staff update

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Smith who has been part of the office team across both the infant and junior schools for many years. We will miss her but wish her well as she embarks on her next challenge.

We are sad to say that Mrs Day (Dragonfly class - Year R) will also be leaving us at the end of term to take a promotion in a new school. Mrs Hoyland has been appointed as the new class teacher for Dragonfly class but unfortunately she is unable to start until after February half term due to the period of notice she has to give to her current school.





We can confirm that Mrs Watson (Butterfly class - Year R) will be returning from her maternity leave in January 2022. Mrs Watson will be returning on a part-time basis initially and will be in school on a Monday, Tuesday and Friday.

Mrs Childs will still be in school but will return full-time to her other roles. Mrs Smith will be in Butterfly class on a Wednesday and Thursday. She already knows the children well as she has been doing regular cover in Butterfly class since September.

Vacancies

We currently have vacancies for:

- School Cleaners
- Midday Supervisors
- Higher Level Teaching Assistants

Please check the school website for more information.

Year 1 - HEROES



Year 1 will be learning about heroes for their next topic and would really like some people to come in and talk to them about their roles. If any family members or friends are part of the armed services, emergency services or have a job which you think would fit our topic and they would be willing to come in and talk to the children please let Mrs Snelling or any of the Year 1 team know.

Music

As we are unable to host our parents as we would wish to this Christmas, we would like to invite parents to a short musical performance for each year group on the school playgrounds.

Tuesday 7th December: Year 3

Wednesday 8th December: Year 4 and Year 2

Thursday 9th December: Year 5 and Year 1

Friday 10th December: Year 6 and Year R

The Infant School year groups will perform at 9.15am and the Junior School year groups will perform at 9.45am.



College Park Community Carols

We are excited this year to be a part of the community carols at The Church of the Ascension on Stubbington Avenue on Thursday 16th December at 5pm.

Mrs Carlyle, Miss Pullen and Mrs Moran will be attending, and we are looking forward to seeing families from KACP on the night.

Thank you as always for your continued support and patience as we move through times of change at King's Academy College Park!

Mrs Carlyle

