



## Knebworth Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021

### Message from the Senior Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

The corridors have been alive with the sounds of Christmas this week! Rehearsals are in full swing and we are all readying ourselves for a fantastic, festive end to the term. The sun has been kind and continued to shine for us despite the winter chill in the air.

At Knebworth School, our vision for Physical Education (PE) is *Children will develop physical, mental and social wellbeing which will inspire a healthy active lifestyle*. We know lots of children like to keep active outside of school by engaging in sports clubs, swimming lessons, going for a run (daily mile) etc. Please see the link below which contains some fun Christmas activities linked to a Daily Mile or daily fitness activity - <https://thedailymile.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Daily-Mile-December-Activities-3.pdf>

On the subject of being active, we are so happy to support children travelling to school on bikes or scooters as part of our active travel plan. However, we need to remind parents that children must dismount before entering the playground. As we are sure you can understand, drop-offs and pick-ups are very busy times on the playground and as such, we cannot have bikes and scooters being ridden as this poses a risk to children and parents waiting. Thank you for your cooperation.

Thank you FOKs for organising the discos this week. I think we can confidently say that they were a big hit with our children! We saw some excellent movers and shakers as well as some fabulous Christmas attire. Thank you to everyone who has donated so far. If you would still like to donate to either of the two charities that are being supported through these events, please see the links below.

[Christmas Jumper day](#) Click on this link to donate to Save the Children.

[Elf Yourself](#) Click on this link to donate to the Isabel Hospice.

This week, Miss Hall held the first school council meeting. As a group, they discussed possible ideas that the School Council could focus on this year as well as how they could achieve these. Each class representative will discuss these ideas with their class and feedback ready for next week's meeting. Well done for being punctual, enthusiastic and motivated! Watch this space for further school council news!

This week, the residents from Lowe House received Christmas cards from our Year 1 children. They were so delighted with them and wanted to say a big thank you to our lovely children who took their time to design and make these personalised cards, which always help to brighten the day. Well done Year 1 and thank you for showing such kindness and respect for others in our community.

We have received some very generous donations for our reverse advent calendar, which donates items to the Food Shed who collect food, drink and hygiene items for those in need. Thank you to everyone who has donated. Ms Salmon will be passing on all of your donations today.

A further thank you to all the parents who donated to the Toy drive for Feed-up Warm-up. We know many of you will have seen Chase's video asking for donations of new toys for children this Christmas. Well done to Chase for taking on this project. We have received a number of generous donations into school so far and we know these will go a long way to making someone's Christmas a bit more special. A particular mention must go to one parent who donated 2 bags of brand new toys – what a kind gesture! If anyone else would like to donate to this worthwhile cause, you have until 17<sup>th</sup> December to bring in your toy donations.

Have a lovely, restful weekend everyone.

Kind Regards,

Natasha Laskey, Sim Bains & Grace Maynard

### Wellbeing Quote

*“Not all storms come to disrupt your life, some come to clear your path.”*

### Sporting Achievements



A BIG congratulations to Thane who completed in his first ever Karate Tournament last weekend and was awarded a Bronze medal for sparring. We are all so proud of you Thane! 😊

Last week, Samson achieved his 7th grade belt in Karate. He is very proud of himself and is determined to keep improving. Fantastic news Samson! 😊



### Attendance

Congratulations to our winners this week: **Galileo class - well done!**

Y1 Nightingale	Y1 Seacole	Y2 Bronte	Y2 Byron	Y3 Churchill	Y3 Pankhurst	Y4 Dahl	Y4 Rosen	Y5 Galileo	Y5 Newton	Y6 Attenborough	Y6 Goodall
97.8%	96.6%	96.4%	94.9%	94.9%	95.3%	93.5%	98.6%	98.9%	95.5%	97.4%	96.1%

## Knebworth Silver Values Certificates

**Year 3: Giovanni & Ollie, Year 4: Alfie, Avyel & Florence, Year 5: Lucy & Olly, Year 6: Jamie-Lea & Patrick.**

As we are unable to hold our Celebration Teas with the current Covid restrictions, we plan to invite families to a future Celebration Tea once restrictions have lifted so that we are all able to celebrate your children's successes. Watch this space!

### House Points

<p><i>Aschil</i></p> <p><b>113</b></p> 	<p><i>Bulwer</i></p> <p><b>134</b></p> 	<p><i>Eudo</i></p> <p><b>93</b></p> 	<p><i>Lytton</i></p> <p><b>98</b></p> 
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### Top house point earners this week

Y1	Y1	Y2	Y2	Y3	Y3	Y4	Y4	Y5	Y5	Y6	Y6
Nightingale	Seacole	Bronte	Byron	Churchill	Pankhurst	Dahl	Rosen	Galileo	Newton	Attenborough	Goodall
Max	Avery	Albie Leo	Oliver	Sienna	Sophie	Isla Johnny	Ava	Fabio	Matthew	Amie	Grace

### Notice & Reminders

**Christmas Dinner:** Please see the flyer to the right regarding dinner on Christmas Day at a local church.



**Face Masks:** Whilst there is currently no law in place for wearing masks outside, we implore you to consider wearing face masks at pick up and drop off. During this time, there are a number of adults gathered quite close together and the wearing of face masks helps to reduce further spread of Covid-19. With such high case numbers in the local area, we would really like to avoid another lockdown as well as avoiding families having to isolate over Christmas. Thank you to those parents/carers who are already wearing face masks and we hope that those who currently are not, will seriously consider it.



## Key Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term 2021

*Details for upcoming events will be sent nearer the time where and when applicable*

13 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert filming day
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2 Christmas Show filming day
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch for children
15 <sup>th</sup> December	FOKS Bags to School
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Christmas Show filming day
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 Christmas Show filming day
<b>21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>End of Autumn Term</b> Nursery – 12pm EYFS & KS1 – 1.10pm KS2 – 1.20pm