



Kea School Friends | Newsletter – Autumn 2022

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Welcome



What a great start to the new school year we have had, I can't believe how quickly it has gone. This term we have been busy preparing for our busy Christmas period, as well as running our monthly tuck shops. We have also welcomed some new faces to our committee following our open evening.

I am pleased share the fantastic news that following our entry into the Tesco Blue Token Scheme over the summer, we came a strong 2nd which will mean £1000 should be coming our way before the end of the year. This money has been put aside to develop a "Forest School" in the school grounds, further details to follow.

We have some really exciting events happening on the run up to Christmas. However, we are only a small team and as ever we are always in need of help and support at this busy time of year. We know everyone has lots on but please help where you can when the call to help emails come out!

Finally, don't forget that Christmas Card orders need to be done by 12th November!

Christmas Raffle and Tombola

This term we are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 2 December in return for a donation to our Christmas Fayre tombola. Suggested donations include: wine, chocolates, biscuits, small (new) gifts suitable for children or adults.

As we mentioned before, if you own, run or are involved with a company that would like to donate a gift for our Christmas Raffle we would be hugely grateful. In the past this has included vouchers, gifts and tickets for events. Please contact KSF via Facebook or talk to one of us in the playground.



Christmas Fayre

On Friday 9 December we, for the first time since 2019, hold our Christmas Fayre. This event is held inside the school and will include Christmas games for the children, a winter café, an adult and children's tombola, the raffle – and lots MORE! Your KSF class representatives will be asking parents to volunteer some time to run their class stall at the fayre, please support the school by not only attending the event but by also volunteering some of your time.

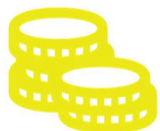
Wrapping Room

A firm favourite in the KSF diary, and something that really kicks off the Christmas Spirit! Starting on Monday 21 November Kea School Friends will be hosting our Wrapping Room during lunch breaks. For those of you that are new to Kea, this event allows your child(ren) to come along during an allocated lunchtime to buy gifts for parents, siblings and other family members. KSF spend time purchasing and wrapping gifts for the children to come along and select, and write name tags. They will then bring gifts home to put under the Christmas tree for their loved ones. Gifts range from £1.50 - £4.

Nearer the time we will let everyone know which day has been allocated to each year group so everyone will know which day to bring in their money. KSF volunteers, and other helpers, will be available each day to support children with selecting and budgeting their gifts and will support children with writing their name tags, as required.

Some of the gifts this year include: themed drink tumblers, bath bombs, chocolates, musical instruments, christmas socks and candles, plus lots MORE!

This is a really magical event for the children and their families. It also really supports the children with their maths, writing skills and independence.



Since September we have raised an AMAZING £360 through uniform sales and tuckshops. However, we have allocated £2150 to pay for coaches to Lanhydrock, Trelissick, and Kea Church so the children can attend school workshops, plus visits to the Hall for Cornwall and Choirfest in Truro Cathedral. We have also bought subscriptions to TimesTable Rockstars and Sing-Up. Finally, we've purchased new cooking equipment so the classes can restart cooking in school.

As you can see, we have spent more than we have made so far this term, so we are hopeful for lots of support at the Wrapping Room, Christmas Fayre and Christmas Cards.

KSF Class Representatives



Year F – Michelle G and Vicki A

Year 4 – Jodie G and Laura G

Year 1 – Jodie G

Year 5 – Vicki A

Year 2 – Michelle G and Janine T

Year 6 – Leanne W and Janine T

Year 3 – Vicki B

Keep an eye on the KSF notice board in the car park – we regularly update it



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