



DILS Newsletter

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VACANCIES: Please see our latest vacancy on our [website](#). All applications are done directly through My New Term.

Subscribe to our website [calendar](#) to see events and important dates on your phone. You can also follow our X (Twitter) page [@IcknieldL](#)

CHILDREN:

Class Attendance winner

Congratulations to 3Anning who had the highest attendance this week and achieved a fabulous 96%! Every child in 3Anning will receive 2 house points.

Class Teacher Awards

Nursery - Hazelpreet, **Lloyd Webber** - Monali, **Zimmer** - Hazel, **Beckham** - Skyler-Rae, **Bolt** - Eliz, **Rosen** - Hugo, **Potter** - Isla, **Anning** - Melchizedek, **Attenborough** - Haad, **Banksy** - Reyan, **O'Keeffe** - TBC next week.

Kindness Award

Archie in Rosen and Percy in Banksy won the award this week. Well done!

House Winners

The house winners for this half term are **Nightingale (yellow)**, they will have a non uniform day on Wednesday 20th December. Please ensure it is weather appropriate.

TT Rockstars Winners

Well done to 4Banksy and 3Anning again this week, keep up the great work!

Student Achievements

Sophie M in Reception has completed Stage 2 in Swimming. Well done Sophie!

FOILS Christmas Jar Competition Winners

Thank you to everyone who entered the FOILs Christmas jar competition; the standard was very high! Huge congratulations to our winners who were chosen by a school governor and received a prize in assembly last week:

Nursery: Casian

Zimmer: Charlotte

Bolt: Elizabeth A

Potter: Branavan

Attenborough: Jan

Banksy: Florence

Lloyd-Webber: Eliza

Beckham: Cole

Rosen: Karolyn

Anning: Soham

O'Keeffe: Baxter

OPAL Lunchtimes

We would like to make a den building area as our next zone that the children at lunchtime can play in. If you have any old sheets/large pieces of fabric or milk crates that you wouldn't mind donating please do hand these into the school office. Many thanks in advance.

Messages home:

Y1 trip to Legoland: Please see the email sent 13/11 for further information.

Y2 History Dress Up Day 19/12: See Arbor App message sent 6/12 for more information.

Y3 Faith Tour 23/1: See Arbor App message sent 6/12 for more information.



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Y4 Activity week 2024: Please see email sent 10/11 with further details on Y4's activity week and how to pay via Arbor.

Reception Winter Walk

A big thank you to the parents who very kindly volunteered to support the Reception children's Winter Walk this week. The children were very curious about what we could see, and were extremely well behaved.

Zimmer Class reward 20/12

Zimmer class have filled their jewel jar, well done! For their special treat they would like to watch a film and have some popcorn.

Kidzzone Club - Holiday Club

Kidzzone Holiday and HAF club is available to book through their [website](#) for 21st and 22nd December. They are also available from 1.30pm on Wednesday 20th December for the usual after school club.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for all your donations towards Keech Hospice Care today for wearing a Christmas jumper. We will add this to our total raised so far.

Kevin Randall Football Academy Y2-4

Please see the leaflet below, the flyers are available to pick up from the reception area.

Clubs

All clubs apart from Hotshots Basketball club on Monday have finished for this half term.

All books to be returned

Please ensure ***all reading and library books are returned to the class teacher by Tuesday 19th December.***

Special Menu 20/12

There will be a special menu on the last day of term, please see poster below.

Street Dance Club Reception - Y4

Street Dance classes for Reception to Year 4 are now available to book for next half term with Christina Marks School of Performing Arts through their website [here](#).



Santa Challenge 2023

A very big well done to everyone who took part in our school walk to Lapland. Between us we actually managed to walk 5,382 miles! All children that took part in the 10 day event were entered into a prize draw to win a brand new scooter. The lucky winner was Chase in year 4. He had his scooter presented to him in assembly today, well done Chase!





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PARENTS:

Christmas concert to parents - Reception to year 4

See Arbor message sent 12/12 for full information. The school Christmas concert is at 2pm on Monday 18th December, at St Mary's Church on West Street in Dunstable. **Due to a limited number of seats at the venue, only 2 people can attend per child.** Note that you don't need to book tickets for this event.

At the end of the event all children are returning back to school where they can be collected from the main playground. Children will not need to bring any bag with them on this day, this will help with organisation at the end of the day.

As per the Google form, a reminder to all parents who have kindly volunteered to help: Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to help. We need help across the school so it might not be your child's class which you are asked to help in. You will find out on Monday when you come to the main office and sign in at 1pm.

PARKING - Please note that parking at the church is available for disabled badge holders only. Other chargeable parking is available in other local car parks i.e. Wilkinsons.

3Anning and 40'Keeffe classes who have PE on Monday 8th, please send your child in with full uniform, and not PE kit so they are dressed for the concert.

Fundraising for Keech Hospice Care

We are still working towards our fundraising target for Keech Hospice Care, through this link <https://keech.enthuse.com/pf/dunstable-icknield-lower-school>. Please share with friends and family. There is also a Keech collection pot in our main reception area where we are collecting donations.

To find out more about how the money raised will support local adults and children with a life limiting illness at Keech Hospice Care, visit their website [here](#).



Parent Workshop

We would like to gather your feedback on what parent workshops you would like us as a school to run. We would be very grateful if you could please complete the short questionnaire [here](#).

Term Dates for 23-24 see: [DILS](#)

Key Dates for Term 1	Subscribe to the calendar on the website to sync dates to your phone. Subscribe here
w/c 18th December	Week 2 menu, found here on our website
Monday 18th December	Reception to Y4 Christmas Concert to parents @ St Mary's Church at 2pm (see above)
Tuesday 19th December	Year 2 History Dress Up Day (see Arbor App message sent 6/12)
Wednesday 20 December	Nightingale House Non Uniform Day (see above) Zimmer class reward (see above) Special Menu (see attached menu below) SCHOOL ENDS FOR CHILDREN @ 13:30 (Kidzzone Club available to book from 1.30pm)
Thursday 21st - Friday 22nd December	Kidzzone Club available to book

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21st December - 2nd January	SCHOOL CLOSED - CHRISTMAS BREAK
Wednesday 3rd January	SCHOOL CLOSED - Staff Training Day - office open
Thursday 4th January	All children return to school @ 08:45am
Monday 15th January 2024	Deadline for for applications to Reception and Year 5 Apply here: CBC Reception or Y5 school place application
Tuesday 23rd January	Y3 Faith Tour (see Arbor App message sent 15/12)
Monday 19th - Friday 23rd February	SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM



In App. messages/emails sent home this week
PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD'S ARBOR RECORD

Information Attached

- a. Kevin Randall Football Academy
- d. Special Menu - Last day of term
- C. CBC Emotional Wellbeing Workshops



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Kevin Randall Football Academy

THE ULTIMATE FOOTBALL CAMP

Run by ex player, UEFA A licence
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Priory Academy, Britain St, Dunstable LU5 4JA - Ages 6-12, boys and girls

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End of Term MENU



Wednesday 20th December 2023

Fish Fingers served with chips and tomato sauce

Veggie Nuggets served with chips and tomato sauce

Peas & Beans

Ice lollies, cookies, cake





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Emotional Wellbeing Workshops

Early Help - Central Bedfordshire Council

January - April 2024

Workshop	Date	Link to Book
Building Self-Esteem and Self-Confidence	Tuesday 16th January 6:00pm	https://forms.office.com/e/t8c4GZypVk
Supporting Emotional Regulation	Thursday 8th February 10:30am	https://forms.office.com/e/qpUbzYaM1h
Managing Anxiety	Monday 26th February 10:30am	https://forms.office.com/e/Hxkb5hEAWv
Emotionally Based School Avoidance	Tuesday 19th March 6:00pm	https://forms.office.com/e/S2bxSd6Qvg
Managing Transitions	Tuesday 16th April 10:30am	https://forms.office.com/e/RESQhkdny

Please copy and paste the link into your web browser.

All workshops are delivered virtually via MS Teams and are aimed at parents/carers of children or young people in Central Bedfordshire. Workshops will run each term.

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