

Newsletter Kellands School

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In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks still bravely singing fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead: Short days ago,
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved: and now we lie
In Flanders fields!

Take up our quarrel with the foe
To you, from failing hands, we throw
The torch: be yours to hold it high
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields



Remembrance Day Assembly

Well done to P4C for doing their very important assembly today and huge thanks to our special guest, 89 year old War Veteran Laurie Young, who attended and read a poem to the children. We are hoping to invite Laurie back to Kellands to talk to some children about his experiences.

Parent Interviews

A huge thank you to all the parents and children who attended the parent interviews this week. We really appreciate your time and how we can work together to provide the best education for the children. Thank you to everyone who supported the school by buying a book from the book fair.

Christmas Fayre

Preparations are well under way for this year's Fayre on Saturday 26th November 10am-12noon. There will be a letter out next week with more details. We are looking for help both before the event and on the day so if you are available please get in touch either by email shonastrachan@aol.com or by contacting the Parent Council via the Facebook page.

Thank you

Christmas Fairies 2016

Children in Need/Cash for Kids-Friday the 18th November

This year the Pupil Council have decided that they would like to do a joint fundraising for Children in Need and Cash for Kids.

The theme for this year's Children in Need is spots therefore we are asking children to dress up in spots on **Friday the 18th November** and bring along a donation. There will be a prize for the spottiest person from Nursery am/pm, Unit 1, Unit 2 and Unit 3.

The theme for this year's **Cash for Kids Appeal** is the Coats for Kids appeal they will use donations to buy clothing vouchers from Primark then the social workers/health visitors will take the children shopping for the exact items of clothing they need. Therefore we are running a competition for the children to design a spotty coat. Entries should be returned by **Wednesday 16th November**. There will be a winner chosen from Nursery am/pm, Unit 1, Unit 2 and Unit 3.

The money raised will be split equally amongst both charities. Thank you for your support.

Google Expeditions

Primary 4-7 all enjoyed the opportunity to experience a virtual tour with Google Expeditions. Expeditions allow a teacher acting as a "guide" to lead the class of "explorers" through collections of 360° and 3D images while pointing out interesting sights along the way.



Active Schools

Active Schools are pleased to advise that they are now offering Cluster Yoga sessions for Primary 1-7. The sessions will start on Monday 21st November at Inverurie Academy and will cost £8 for the 4 week block.

To book a place to attend, please click on the link below and complete the online form.

<http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/request/active-schools/active-schools-online-form-inverurie/>

Parent Council - Quiz Night

Kellands Family Quiz, Friday November 18th, 7pm-9pm, Kellands School Hall

A very informal and fun Family Night out for all ages. Please register your team name by the morning of Friday 18th with the school (email or quick note to office) or via Parent Council Facebook page (just comment on the Quiz Night Post there). Prizes for first and second placed teams/families.

Entry £5 per team - tea/coffee and nibbles will be provided. Please bring along your own alcoholic/non-alcoholic refreshments.

HALLOWE'EN DISCO



Many thanks to all of you, pupils and parent helpers, who attended on Sunday to support this event. A big thanks also to Quirky Discos, Aberdeen who provided our entertainment. There were some fabulous costumes and we hope you all had a great time. Congratulations to all the fancy dress and raffle winners, we hope you enjoy spending your vouchers! Here are the pictures of the winners.



URGENT HELP NEEDED

We urgently require help for the after school football at the academy on Thursday 6.15pm - 7.15pm. There are sessions for P1-3 and P4-7, but we will lose these slots if we do not get some volunteers. We are trying Colony Boys Club and Inverurie Locos as well to see if they have any coaches available. Please can you contact the school if you can help. Thank you for your help.

Rotary Shoe Box Appeal



Many thanks for your contributions to this year's Rotary Christmas Shoebox Appeal.

I thought you and your children might like to see the boxes starting their long journey to disadvantaged families, children and the elderly in Central and Eastern Europe. Many of the boxes were very well decorated and I hope that at least some of your children will be able to recognise their artwork in the photos.

I know there are many requests for support but I do hope you will be able to join us again in the Easter Shoebox Appeal next year.
Jim Sommerville, Rotary Club

Jeans for Genes Day

Thank you for the donations on Jeans for Genes day our grand total came to £328.07. Thank you for your support.