



Dear Parents and Carers,

21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

**MUSIC:** Music is a key priority on the School Development Plan (SDP) this year and we are aiming to develop the music curriculum, establish a school choir, introduce the children to different genres of music and a variety of instruments and broaden the choice of musical instruments being taught in school. I met with Paula, from The Music Box this week, and plans are in place to offer singing, piano, guitar (acoustic, electric and bass), ukulele and drum tuition at the school. The Music Box are coming in to lead an assembly soon and more information will be available then. It is hoped that lessons will begin after half term. This is all very exciting and I look forward to welcoming Paula and her team into KMS.

**PTA:** The PTA held their AGM on Wednesday evening in the school. It was lovely to see some new faces wishing to be involved in this aspect of school life. They have a full programme of events planned for the year ahead. The PTA raised an astonishing £10,871 last year! With their funds they were able to fully fund International Week (£5000) and Healthy Schools Week (£1500). This year they are raising funds for an all-weather track, to enable the Daily Mile initiative to continue in all weathers. The first PTA event is today after school – Film Night. I hope the children have a good evening.

**INFORMATION MEETINGS:** It was good to see so many of you at the FSU and KS1 information meetings this week. Education is a partnership between school and home and, for this to work effectively, it is important for parents to come along to information sessions to find out how best to support their child at home. My thanks go to Mrs Obinna and Mrs Ward for delivering the presentations.

**FSU NEWS:** The Nursery children have met the class persona doll puppets and have been great at recalling our routines and expected behaviour. The reception class has been full of the yummy smell and taste of apple crumble and custard. Many thanks to those parents who attended the reception phonic and maths meeting, the handout from the meeting will be on the school website. If there is one clear message from the meeting please continue to share books, magazines, eBooks and audio books with your children as much as possible, this really does develop a love of reading. Mrs S Obinna, Assistant Headteacher

**WOODLANDS:** The Year 6 children are off on their residential trip to Woodlands, in Wales, next week. They will experience all sorts of outdoor challenges, including caving and canoeing, and I know they will have an enjoyable time. The team accompanying the pupils are: Miss Golden, Mr Cox, Mrs Chaundy, Mrs Merrett, Mrs Law and Mrs Targus-Stone. Not only are the staff giving up their own free time but, like the pupils, they will be working outside of their comfort zones and taking on new challenges. My thanks go to them all. I will be driving down on Tuesday to see how they all are.

**MACMILLAN COFFEE AFTERNOON:** We will be holding a Macmillan coffee afternoon for parents, grandparents, friends and neighbours on Friday 28th September between 2pm and 4pm. Come and join Year 5 in Wing A for a catch up over a tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits. Donations of cakes and biscuits will be gratefully received from Thursday 27th September. The money we raise at our coffee afternoon will help us make sure no one has to face cancer alone. This is a special afternoon where we can come together to show our support. We look forward to seeing you! Mrs R Powell, Year 5 teacher

**LION CLASS ASSEMBLY:** Next Friday Ms Rainer's class will be putting on the first Class Assembly of the year. Please make every effort to attend if your child is in this class. Refreshments will be available at the end.

**CLUBS:** We still have availability in some of our after-school clubs. Please book with the office if your child would like to join one. Please note that Archery, Minecraft and Chess are full. The list of clubs is attached. If your child has already started a club please ensure payment is made on ParentPay.

Have a lovely weekend

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L Daulton', written in a cursive style.

**Mrs L Daulton**  
Headteacher