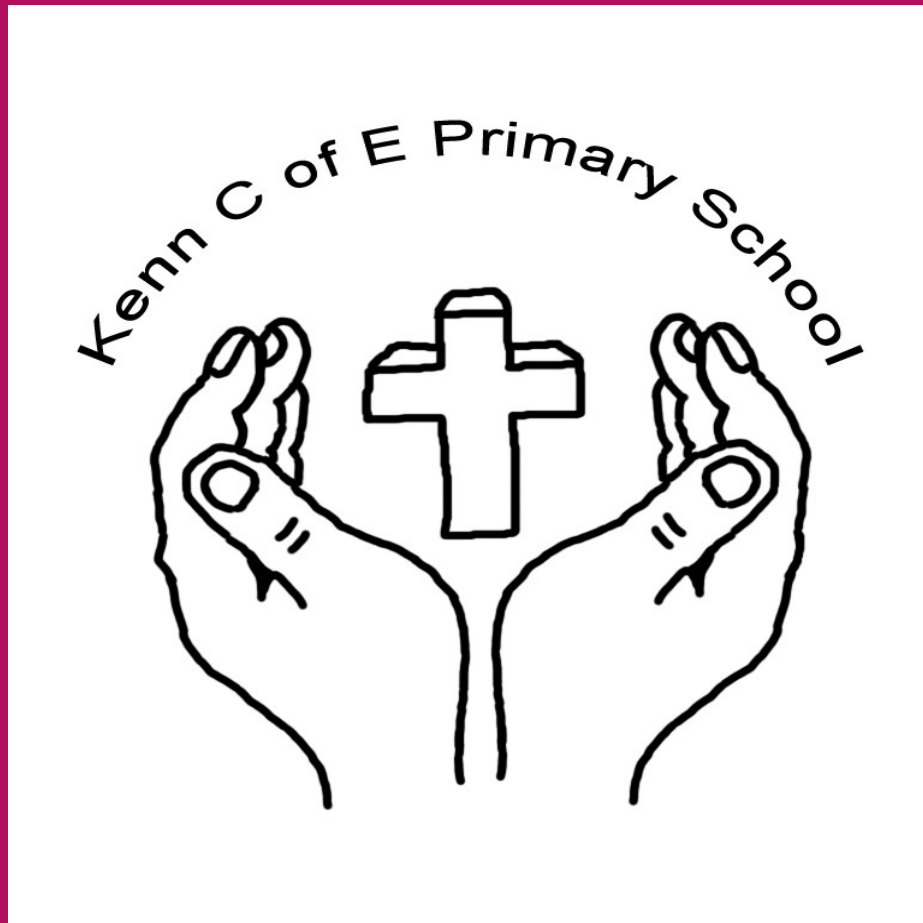


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# Newsletter

Friday 29th November 2019

## Diary of Events

	Please follow the link to view our online calendar: <a href="http://www.kenn-primary.devon.sch.uk/calendar/">http://www.kenn-primary.devon.sch.uk/calendar/</a>	
20th Dec	Last day of Autumn Term—break for Christmas	

## CHRISTMAS EVENT DATES

2.30pm Friday 6th December—School attending Christingle Service St Andrews Church, Kenn

9.30am Thursday 12th December—Class 1 and 2 Nativity—refreshments available from 9.00am

5.00pm Friday 13th December—Class 3 and 4 carol singing

pm Monday 16th December—Class 3 and 4 Christmas parties

pm Tuesday 17th December—Class 1 and 2 Christmas parties

Thursday 19th December—Christmas lunch and children's talent show in the afternoon



Please provide coats for children throughout the autumn/winter periods, even when it isn't raining. It is bitterly cold outside and without coats the children are not able to enjoy the fresh air and play with friends.

### Can you help?

- Parents helpers needed to walk the children to the church on Friday 6th December. Please let Susie or Class Teachers know if you can help.
- Do you have any spare board games that we could use for wet-play times in either KS1 or KS2?
- If you are able to help in school whether that be joining our parent group in the allotment, hearing readers or being able to volunteer for trips, please do let us know. We are always in need of extra helpers so your offer will be greatly received.



Please check the deadline date on letters for trips and PE events. Unfortunately, we have had to turn away several children for PE events as the consent has not been completed on time. This is not a decision that we make lightly, but due to teacher workload and risk assessments having to be submitted two weeks in advance of the event, it is not possible to add additional children after the deadline. Thank you for your understanding.

### **Mealtime Assistant vacancy based at Kenton Primary School —**

**pay grade A1 £9.00 per hour —1 1/4 hours per day term time only**

From January 2020 we need to appoint at least one additional Mealtime Assistant. Please can you see our Adminsitrators or Mrs Somerwill for more details.

# Plastic free!

Dea, our Forest School leader, had a great idea to start off our plastic free launch this week. We asked all packed lunches to empty their rubbish and tally up the different materials that we identified. We then pledged to do three things that would help to reduce this waste.

**Let's see if, as a school, we can all cut down by one item of single-use plastic in our lunch boxes and see what a difference we can make.**



Our launch on Wednesday consisted of workshops throughout the day such as Plastic Pirate and Marine Litter experiences. The children (and adults) learnt a lot from Dea and her team, so we hope that they have come home and shared the shocking statistics and discussed their pledge to try and reduce and reuse.



Thank you to everyone who visited the stalls in the hall on Wednesday. There was lots of information that we hope has helped raise awareness of the issues that we are facing.



Dear Parents/ Carers,

This year we have decided to do a **Reverse Advent Calendar**. We have been talking about how lucky we are and how lots of people, don't have enough food to eat.

Therefore, we are asking families to donate one non-perishable item each day from **1<sup>st</sup> December to 20<sup>th</sup> December**. This food parcel will then be

delivered to the Exeter Food Bank.

We understand that many families are under financial pressure, so there is no pressure to donate if you feel that you are not able to do so. It is an optional project.

**EYFS/ Key stage 1 (CLASS 1 and 2) is going to be responsible for December 1<sup>st</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> December** and **Key 2 (CLASS 3 and 4) is responsible for 11<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup>.**

Your child will come home with a slip which says the day they need to bring their item in, if you are able to. Please feel free to swop with someone else if need be.

Many Thanks

All at Kenn C of E Primary



## Exeter Foodbank Priority & Christmas items 2019

### Priority Items

Fruit Juice (1L long-life)

Sponge Puddings

Pasta Sauce

Biscuits

Toiletries

Squash/Cordial

Rice (500g / 1 kg)

Fish (tuna)

Potatoes (tins/instant)

Sugar

Custard (tins / cartons)

Meat (tins)

Milk (1L UHT semi-skimmed)

Vegetables (tins)

Rice Pudding (tins)

Fruit (tins)

Cereal (small / medium size packets)

### Seasonal Items

Selection Boxes (for children)

Chocolates

Christmassy Biscuits

Soft drinks

Any Mince Pies, Christmas

Cakes or Puddings must be

alcohol-free!

**All Christmas Items must be with us by December 11<sup>th</sup>**

If you have any questions or to make arrangements,  
email: [info@exeterfoodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@exeterfoodbank.org.uk)



**THANK YOU!**



**St Andrew's Church**

**Celebrate Christingle with us**

Join us and help give young people a brighter future

**Friday 6th December**

**2.30 p.m.**

The Children's Society

[christingle.org](http://christingle.org)

Christingle

Charity Registration No. 221124

XT01334/0919

If you are able to attend the Christingle service then please let Susie or Class Teachers know if you are able to help us walk the children from school. We are required to have a certain number of adults per class and for KS1 this requires a lot of extra adults.

## Virus

Since the e-safety parent workshop, that was organised by Kanton PTA, we have been made aware of the importance of keeping our computers safe from Malware which can infiltrate and damage the software. As a result, we are unable to accept USB memory sticks in school. If there is homework or anything that you would like your child to show us, then please attach it via an email to admin. Thank you for your support with this.

Email: [admin@kennandkenton.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kennandkenton.devon.sch.uk)

# Charity

This half term, we asked for your help in making shoeboxes full of gifts for the Moldova shoebox appeal.

Thank you very much for your generosity. We managed to fill the table in our entrance hall and these have now been sent off to those in need.



## Children in Need

We had lots of fantastic sporty outfits and school raised a total of £88.65. Thank you for your donations.



## Tallulah's Bring and Buy sale for Children in Need

A big thank you to everyone who donated and purchased items from Tallulah's Bring and Buy sale raising a total of £90.00!



## Aldi Stickers

Thank you to all parents who contributed their stickers to the Aldi competition but we didn't make the total.

We will be having a **MUSIC AFTERNOON** on Friday 13th December in the school hall from 2.45-3.30pm, which you are invited to.

This is a lovely opportunity for all children who play an instrument, to perform in a relaxed setting.

If your child would like to play their instrument, please complete the slip on the previous newsletter and return it to school or email [admin@kennandkenton.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kennandkenton.devon.sch.uk)

Many thanks,

Angie Lunn







# TERM DATES

## AUTUMN TERM 2019

Autumn Term ends Friday 20th December

**SPRING TERM 2020** begins Monday 6th January

Half-term 17th–21st February

Spring term ends on Friday 27th March

**SUMMER TERM 2020** begins Tuesday 14th April

May Bank Holiday **Friday** 8th May

Half-term 25th to 29th May

Summer Term Ends Friday 17th July

### NATIONAL DATE CHANGE - May Day has been changed to 75th Anniversary of VE day

Hopefully you will all have heard the Government's announcement in June that the May Day bank holiday will be combined with the 75th anniversary of May Day in 2020 and the Bank Holiday at the start of May will now be on FRIDAY 8th MAY 2020 and not on the preceding Monday. Please can you make this change in your diaries as the children will be expected to be in school on Monday 4th May, but will have a holiday on Friday 8th May.

