

**Knebworth  
School Values**

***Respect***  
***Responsibility***  
***Resilience***



**Knebworth Primary School Newsletter**

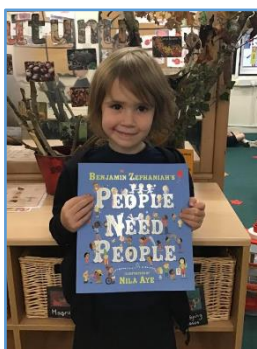
**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

**Autumn 1  
British Value**

***Individual  
Liberty***

**Message from the Senior Leadership Team**

Dear Parents and Carers,



Another week, another birthday! Thank you to Alice in Henson class for donating this wonderful book to our school as part of *The Birthday Book Initiative* – we cannot wait to read and explore this book.

On Tuesday Mrs Shostak did a fabulous show and share for both Year 1 classes all about her safari. The children learnt that giraffes have black tongues so they don't get sun burnt! Well done to all Year 1 children who listened so intently and asked some really great questions.

It was so lovely to see so many of you in school on Tuesday for our termly Open Evening. We are sure you will all agree that the children have engaged in some excellent learning this half term and we look forward to seeing you all next week for Parents Evening consultations.



Well done to the children involved in the Year 6 Table Tennis tournament on Wednesday. There were lots of close games with high scores and improvement in confidence in every game. Congratulations to the Boys team who received the school games value award for determination voted for by all of the umpires at the tournament! Thank you to Miss Breckenridge for coaching and supervising the children at this event.

Also on Wednesday, Stevenage Red Watch came to visit Year 2 and talk to them about how they fight fires as part of their History topic. They showed them their equipment and listened to Year 2's facts on the Great Fire of London and Stevenage. This visit helped Year 2 compare fire fighting today with fire fighting in the past. Thank you to the Year 2 team for facilitating this memorable opportunity for the children.

Yesterday, Year 1 went on an autumnal walk around Knebworth as part of their fieldwork learning. They had a great time observing the changes in nature during this season and are very much looking forward to their winter walk. Thank you to all the adult helpers for supervising the children on this day.

Lastly, well done to Maia, Elsie and Maia in Year 5 who ran a very successful after school stall selling Marshmallow Men that they had created and as a result they have raised an amazing £34 for the New Moon Romanian Dog Rescue! What an excellent example of our school value of responsibility girls, we are all so proud of you!



Don't forget it is Parents Evenings next week. The links for the virtual meetings will be shared on Monday with you all.

Have a lovely, restful weekend everyone.

Kind Regards,

Natasha Laskey, Sim Bains & Grace Maynard

## Message from The FOKS Team

Hi Everyone,

Thank you to everyone who brought their donations for our Rainbow Raffle, we will now package them together and as soon as the raffle is ready we will send out the links to buy tickets.

We are pleased to announce, like previous years, we will be contributing towards the Year 4 Swimming and Bikeability to help bring the cost down for parents.

Next week we have our Pumpkin Competition, we look forward to seeing everyone's entries!

Our Christmas Disco tickets will be released over half term so keep an eye for updates regarding this. We have a new initiative for the disco this year, you can buy a ticket that can be gifted to another child who might not otherwise be able to attend the disco - you can purchase these on the website alongside your other tickets.

And finally, we need volunteers to help for an hour at the Christmas Fayre on Saturday 18th November, please let your year group FOKS rep know if you can spare the time.

Thank you  
FOKS

## Diversity, Equality, Inclusion Spotlight

This week we discussed and shared the following resource: [Autumn 1 No Outsiders Books](#)

Please do ask your child about the No Outsiders books they have been exploring this term. We do hope they have enjoyed these half term books 😊

<p><b>Nursery</b></p> <p><b>LI/Theme</b></p>	<p><b>Autumn 1</b></p>  <p>To say hello</p>	<p><b>Reception</b></p> <p><b>LI/Theme</b></p>	 <p>To say hello</p>	<p><b>Year 1</b></p> <p><b>LI/Theme</b></p>	 <p>I like the way I am</p>	<p><b>Year 2</b></p> <p><b>LI/Theme</b></p>	 <p>To know I belong</p>
<p><b>Year 3</b></p> <p><b>LI/Theme</b></p>	 <p>To be welcoming</p>	<p><b>Year 4</b></p> <p><b>LI/Theme</b></p>	 <p>To find common ground</p>	<p><b>Year 5</b></p> <p><b>LI/Theme</b></p>	 <p>To explore friendship</p>	<p><b>Year 6</b></p> <p><b>LI/Theme</b></p>	 <p>To consider language and freedom of speech</p>



## Healthy Eating Spotlight

*A big thank you to Caroline Farrell (Registered Nutritionist) for providing our weekly healthy eating spotlights!*

### Halloween Creepy Crawly Spiders

These creepy crawly energy balls are easy to make and perfect for a healthy Halloween treat.

Makes: 10

Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup Pitted Dates
- 1/4 cup Oats
- 3 tbsps Peanut Butter
- 1 tbsp Cocoa Powder
- 1 tbsp Honey
- Pinch Salt
- 30g Pretzels (round parts chopped into legs)
- 20 Edible Eyes or Dark Chocolate Chips



Method:

1. Add the dates, oats, peanut butter, cocoa powder, maple syrup, and salt to the bowl of a food processor. Run the food processor until the mixture forms a ball.
2. Form the mixture into small balls with your hands, using roughly one tablespoon of dough per ball. Place the pretzel legs into the balls on the sides and place the "eyes" into the balls to form eyeballs.

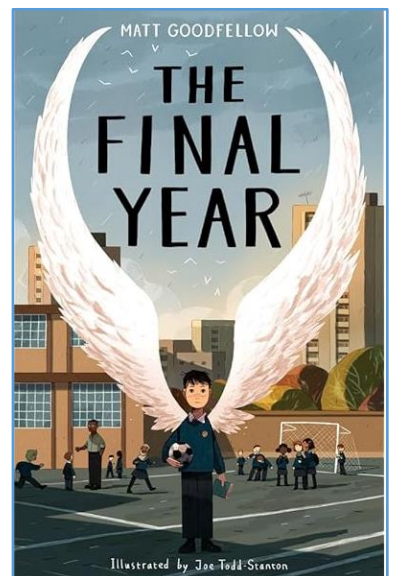
**Note, this recipe contains nuts therefore these cannot be brought into school. You can replace the peanut butter with tahini for those with nut allergies.**

## This Week's Book Recommendation

[Miss Dellow recommends ...](#)

**The Final Year by Matt Goodfellow**

This is a beautiful book that captivated me so much that I finished it in two sittings and I knew I just had to recommend it to our parents, pupils and staff at Knebworth School. It's about a 10 year old boy on his journey into Year 6 and secondary school. It deals with all kinds of themes such as friendships, family, bullying, grief, redemption, writing, art - and Skellig. What made it stand out to me is the way it has been written in free verse, with such carefully selected words and phrases that keep you hooked. There are also some excellent illustrations too. A must read for parents and pupils in Year 5 and 6.



## Attendance Cup

Congratulations to our winning class this week: Nightingale Class!

Y1 Nadal	Y1 Thunberg	Y2 Johnson	Y2 Turing	Y3 Seacole	Y3 Nightingale	Y4 Bronte	Y4 Byron	Y5 Churchill	Y5 Pankhurst	Y6 Dahl	Y6 Rosen
98.7%	95.7%	98.0%	98.7%	97.8%	99.3%	98.3%	97.7%	96.2%	91.7%	91.3%	99.0%





## Knebworth Silver Values Certificates

Nursery Class Elliot	Chandi Class Kieran & Aidan	Henson Class Olivia & Brodie
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Year 1: Nellie & Oattie

Year 2: Wrecker & Seb

## House Points

<b>Aschil</b> <b>78</b> 	<b>Bulwer</b> <b>103</b> 	<b>Eudo</b> <b>84</b> 	<b>Lytton</b> <b>74</b> 
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## Top House Point earners this week

Y1 Nadal	Y1 Thunberg	Y2 Johnson	Y2 Turing	Y3 Seacole	Y3 Nightingale	Y4 Bronte	Y4 Byron	Y5 Churchill	Y5 Pankhurst	Y6 Dahl	Y6 Rosen
Nellie Emmeline	Eddy Sophie	Harvey Poppy	Izzy	Mick Imogen B	Mia- Amber	Polly	Molly	Savannah Jessica William	Elisha	Willow	Daniel

## Notices & Reminders

**School Website:** Some of you may have noticed our current school website is not live. This is because we are in the process of finalising and launching our new school website and we will keep you updated on this. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

## Key Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term 2023

*Details for upcoming events will be sent nearer the time where and when applicable*

**New/amended dates are highlighted in yellow**

16 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival Assemblies
17 <sup>th</sup> October 3:40 to 6:40pm	Seacole Class Parents Evening (Virtual)
18 <sup>th</sup> October 3:40 to 6:40pm	Parents Evening (Virtual) – <i>No Parents Evening for Seacole Class on this date</i>
19 <sup>th</sup> October 3:40 to 6:40pm	Parents Evening (In Person)
19 <sup>th</sup> October	FOKS Pumpkin Festival



20 <sup>th</sup> October	Show Racism the Red Card day – <i>Children are invited to come to school wearing something red with their school uniform i.e. red t-shirt, red socks, red hairband etc.</i>
20 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival donations deadline
21 <sup>st</sup> October 9:30am	The Knebworth Environmental Group Village Litter Pick – <i>Please meet at the Village Hall at 9:30am if you are interested in joining.</i>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>October Half Term</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> November 9am	Healthy Eating Working Party Meeting - <i>all parents are invited along to this meeting</i>
2 <sup>nd</sup> November 3:30pm	Diversity Working Party Meeting – <i>all parents are invited along to this meeting to discuss our school strategy in this area</i>
6 <sup>th</sup> November to 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Intensive Swimming for Year 4
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need - <i>Children are invited to come to school wearing something spotty or yellow with their school uniform i.e. spotty and/or yellow t-shirt, socks, hairband etc.</i>
18 <sup>th</sup> November	FOKS Christmas Fayre & Elfridges
<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>Occasional Day – school closed</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Flu Vaccination
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
8 <sup>th</sup> December	FOKS Christmas Disco
11 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm	Reception Christmas Show to Parents
12 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm	Year 1 Christmas Show to Parents
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch for children
14 <sup>th</sup> December 11.30am	Nursery Christmas Show to Parents
14 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm	Year 2 Christmas Show to Parents
15 <sup>th</sup> December 10am to 11am	Open Morning for Prospective Parents
18 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert at St Martin's Church 1.30 – Years 3 and 4 2.30 – Years 5 and 6
18 <sup>th</sup> December 11.30am	Nursery Christmas Show to Parents
<b>20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>End of Autumn Term</b> Nursery – 12pm EYFS & KS1 – 1.10pm KS2 – 1.20pm
<b>4<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	<b>INSET Day - school closed</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Spring Term begins