



Knebworth Primary School Newsletter

12th December 2025

A message from the Headteacher

Christmas has most definitely arrived at Knebworth School this week. We have been treated to a series of magical performances from our Early Years and KS1 children, who brought the Christmas story and festive traditions to life with confidence, sparkle, and just the right amount of seasonal charm. I felt incredibly proud watching every child shine on stage, and I was so impressed by the singing, the jokes, the dancing, and the sign language — we are lucky to have such talented children at Knebworth.

Each performance was a testament to hours of preparation, teamwork, and excitement, resulting in moments that were both heartwarming and joyful. A HUGE thank you to all the EYFS and KS1 staff for their hard work, dedication, and creativity in making these shows so special. This week has truly captured the warmth, wonder, and community spirit of the season, making it a memorable part of our Christmas countdown. Thank you to all those parents and carers who were in attendance – it was so lovely to see you sharing in the Christmas magic with us all.



On Wednesday we held our annual Christmas Lunch, and the children enjoyed a delicious festive meal with all the trimmings. Staff joined them at the tables, and it was wonderful to see the conversations flowing and the children's excitement as they shared their lunch with the adults. A BIG thank you to our fantastic HCL Catering Team for preparing such a feast — we are incredibly lucky to have you!

Today, the halls were bursting with Christmas Jumpers, spreading festive cheer everywhere. Thank you to everyone who joined in— your festive knits brought

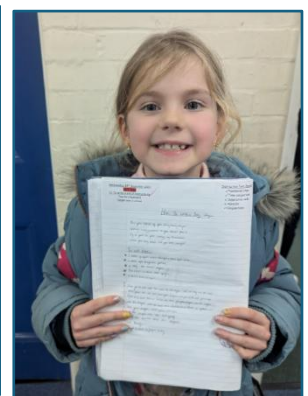
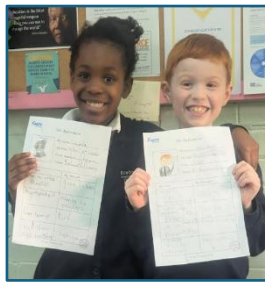
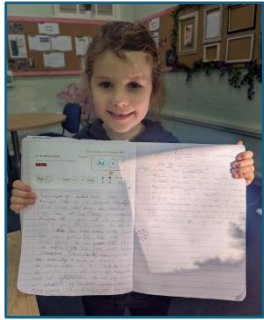
great cheer and made the day so memorable. Thank you to those families who have already donated. If you have not had a chance to donate then please do so, here is the link:

<https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/cjd250000322>

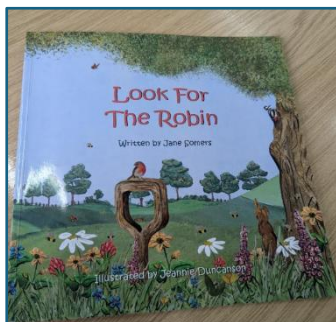


For magical work this week I have seen Ivy in Henson Class who was awarded the title of KS1 Pencrafter for the excellent progress shown in her Snow Queen story using a range of adjectives and sentence openers – it really was a joy to read! I have also seen Georgia, Alban and Poppy in Johnson Class for their wonderful work in French where they have been learning the names of different places i.e. school, bakery etc and they could confidently tell me these in French. I have also seen Luyanda and Harvey in Johnson Class for their work in Computing where they have been identifying job skills and strengths within job applications – great work! I have also seen Isabelle in Zephaniah Class who was last week's KS1 Pencrafter and I was so impressed with her use of capital letters, full stops and adjectives within her story which was so lovely to read. Jessie in Thunberg Class was this week's KS2 Pencrafter. Her excellent set of instructions on How to Wash a Baby Dragon included excellent rhetorical questions and imperative verbs – well done! Lastly, Lily-Rose, Damon, Jack, Alfie, Matilda, Sofia and Molly in Byron Class all came to see me to share their fantastic learning on Volcanoes which was presented beautifully with a wide range of excellent facts. The children were all so confident in talking through their new learning. Well done everyone, it is always such a joy sharing in your magical learning with you all.





The month of December has seen the Teachers take over the spotlight section in the school library and they have shared their book recommendations with the school – we look forward to hearing which books the children have enjoyed the most! Thank you to Ellie in Nursery and to Mrs Jenner for donating such beautiful Birthday Books to the school. We cannot wait to read and explore these together.



Have a lovely, restful weekend everyone. Don't forget the KS2 Carol Concert next week – we cannot wait to see you all there.

A reminder it is a FOKS Non-Uniform Day on **Friday 19th December**. This is also the last day of the autumn term with an early finish!

Best Wishes,
Miss Bains





WINNERS *Turing Class*

Y1 Coelho 98.2%	Y1 Zephaniah 90%	Y2 Chandi 96.5%	Y2 Henson 90%	Y3 Nadal 89.6%	Y3 Thunberg 90.4%
Y4 Johnson 97%	Y4 Turing 99.2%	Y5 Nightingale 95.7%	Y5 Seacole 97.1%	Y6 Bronte 88.4%	Y6 Byron 91.9%

Knebworth Silver Values Certificates

Nursery
Rupert & Luna

Ayling-Ellis
Olivia

Packham
Lennie

Coelho
Zachary

Zephaniah
Rudi

Chandi
Jack

Henson
Arla

Nadal
Ashley-Paul

Thunberg
Sierra & Adam

Johnson
Ali

Turing
Poppy

Nightingale
Jacob

Seacole
Eddy

Bronte
To be revealed next term!

Byron
Violet

Top House Point Earners

HOUSE POINTS



Aschil 65



Bulwer 56



Eudo 58



Lytton 49

Y1 Coelho	Y1 Zephaniah Isabelle Dylan	Y2 Chandi Maximus	Y2 Henson Sienna	Y3 Nadal Mason	Y3 Thunberg Sophie
Y4 Johnson Mohsina	Y4 Turing Isla	Y5 Nightingale Grace	Y5 Seacole Bluebelle	Y6 Bronte Max Samuel Alfie	Y6 Byron Lyla

This Week's Pencrafters

Isabelle in Zephaniah Class
Ivy in Henson Class
Jessie in Thunberg Class



Message from The FOKS Team

Thank you to those who visited our stall at the Knebworth Light's Switch On event - we raised £263.70 thanks to your generosity!



We also want to thank Sylvie, Izzy, Coco, Reuben and Noah from Year 4, Seren from Year 3 and Alma and Annie from Year 1 for showing such responsibility in organising and running their own stall at the Lights Switch On event and very kindly donating a wonderful £120 to FOKS - fabulous, we are truly grateful!

Next week, the last week before we break up for the Christmas holidays, the FOKS Ambassador 'elves' will be delivering a special treat to all classes and we have our final fundraising initiative of the year - **non-uniform day on Friday 19th December**. We'll be on the gates **for morning drop off only** to collect cash and card payments.



Also, don't forget you can still order Christmas cards from My Child's Art right up until 31st December - perfect for those personalised gifts too.

Thank you,
Liz & Katie

Children's Achievements



Well done to Amelia in Bronte Class who took part in a tumbling and trampette competition over the weekend at Bury St Edmonds. She has been working really hard and we are so pleased to hear she was awarded both 1st and 2nd place in the competition!

Well done to Jack in Byron Class who was awarded Student of the Year at his karate club and received this spectacular trophy! We are so proud of you.



Key Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term 2025

Details for upcoming events will be sent nearer the time where and when applicable
New/amended dates are highlighted in yellow

Date/Time	Event
15th December 1:30pm Years 3 & 4 2:30pm Years 5 & 6	KS2 Carol Concert at St Martin's Church KS2 children perform Christmas songs at the church and parents and carers are invited to attend.
19 th December	FOKS Non-Uniform Day (£1 donation)
19 th December	End of Autumn Term 12pm – Nursery - a 1pm pick up can be accommodated on this date, please let Miss Leatham know if you require this. 1:10pm – Reception & KS1 1:20pm – KS2
5 th January 2026	INSET Day (School Closed)
6 th January 2026	Spring Term Begins
9 th January 2026	OPAL Parent Play Day An opportunity for parents and carers to come into school to find out more about the school's OPAL journey and play with their child! Further details to follow.
<p>Knebworth School Term Dates can be accessed here: https://www.knebworthprimaryschool.org.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=39</p>	

