



Knowles Junior School

NEWSLETTER

January/February 2012



Welcome back to a new school term and a very Happy New Year to you all!

Time Together



What a great start to the New Year seeing so many parents from Year 5 and 6 coming along on Mondays from 2:15pm – 3:00pm to spend time with their children. We started off by making New Year Calendars followed by No bake cheesecake.

Still to come - Celebrating Chinese New Year, jewellery making and jewellery boxes.

Year 6 will be doing their practice SATs during the week beginning Monday 6th February.

Please note that the actual SATs will take place during the week beginning Monday 14th May. Please avoid holidays or morning appointments for dentists, opticians etc. during this week.

Year 6 SATs

Sports Activities



Year 3 and 4 took part in a Badminton Festival held at Leon School on 17th January 2012. Knowles played against 3 other schools and came second at this festival, the children played well together as a team. Well Done.

Year 5 will be taking part in a dance project to be held at Walton High on 9th February. All children taking part are looking forward to this event and practising very hard.

Clubs



Our clubs have now all restarted:

Monday	Lunchtime After School 4:30 finish	Homework Club Year 3/4/5/6 Football Club Year 5/6
Tuesday	Lunchtime After School 4.20 finish	Computer Club Year 3 Film Club Years 3/4/5/6
Wednesday	Break-Time Lunchtime Lunchtime After School 4.30 finish After School 4.20 finish	School Council Dodgeball Years 5/6 Computer Club Year 4 Dodgeball Year 5/6
Thursday	Lunchtime After School 4.00 finish After School 4:30 finish	Computer Club Years 3/4/5/6 Computer Club Year 5 Choir Practice Year 3/4/5/6
Friday	Lunchtime	Netball Club Year 3/4 Computer Club Year 6

A successful end to 2011 with the Christmas Fayre and end of term Disco.

Christmas Raffle

- 1st Prize: Jay Holland (MK Dons Family Pass)
- 2nd Prize: Logan Carson (£20 TGI Friday Voucher)
- 3rd Prize: Miha Ahmed (£10 Butchers Voucher)
- 4th Prize: Marcus King (£10 Hair Voucher)
- 5th Prize: Lewis Goddard (£5 Peacocks Voucher)

This term we will see the Valentines Disco on Friday 10th February

Friends of Knowles



February 6	Mock SATs
February 10	Valentines Disco/DVD and Half Term
March 15	Year 6 Money sense

Diary Dates

Holidays

This year we have had more requests than normal for holidays in term time, most of which are for extended leave. This can really set children back especially in Year 6 when they have their SATs which reflects their progress over the 4 years in Junior School and is so important for them, when transferring to Secondary School. It is also very difficult to see children, who have made very good progress, slip back and not achieve the results they deserve. The children do not have enough time to cover work they have missed while out of school and therefore do not do as well as they should which is very disappointing all round.

School closes on Friday 10th of February and re-opens for all children on Monday 20th February.