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Dear Parents and Carers,

The Grove

I am sure many of you have spotted that work commenced on The Grove this week. Mr Carr and I actually noticed during half term that something was going on and we were not informed that the work was officially starting. We have since met the site manager and Grove supervisor this Wednesday and this is what we are able to tell you about the development at this point.

- They inform me that they have a transport management plan in place that stipulates that any contractor traffic will not use the school's drive. They will be creating their own on-site parking and the parish council has also provided parking for them just off Church Lane.
- All deliveries will be managed onto and off the site by them and will be scheduled to avoid the school's dropoff and pick up times.
- There will be two new access roads created into the development within the next 8 weeks, both between the school's drive entry and exit junctions (this will seriously limit the availability of parental parking on the road at the front).
- The development will comprise of eight houses with proposed completion expected in December 2020.
- The hoardings will be erected over the next few days and they have requested brief use of the school's drive at the exit junction sometime within the next few days to allow for the delivery of on-site welfare facilities which will be craned in from the back of a lorry.

We have exchanged contact details and we have requested that they drop a copy of the plans in for us so that we have a clearer idea of the scale of works being carried out.

We will continue to keep our drive open for the time being, as closing it could potentially create more congestion and a greater problem on Hinton Fields as work progresses. Please be aware however vehicular disruption is likely so where possible you should avoid accessing or parking at the front of The Grove development. We will continue to monitor the site and keep you informed of further developments when we have them.

Attendance

I have just reviewed the attendance figures for the whole school for the first half of this term. I am delighted with the overall attendance rate of **97.3%**, which is a fantastic start to the year. A fabulous **246** children have attended school 100% of the time. Those children will be recognised in class. This half term's classes with the best attendance and recipients of a non-uniform day are **4G (upper school)** and **1H (lower school)**. Many thanks for your continued support in ensuring that your children attend school regularly and on time.

Staffing update

It is with regret that I have to inform you that Mrs Robson has reluctantly decided to resign from her position at Kings Worthy Primary School and will leave her post as class teacher at the end of this term (20.12.19). Mrs Robson would like you to know that it was a very difficult decision for her to resign at this time of year and will continue to give her very best for the children in her remaining 6 weeks at Kings Worthy.

Due to Mrs Robson providing the school with plenty of notice I am able to inform you that Miss Eggleston will become the class teacher in 6R from January and the class will therefore become 6E.

I am sure you would want to pass on your good wishes to Mrs Robson, to thank her for the contribution she has made to Kings Worthy Primary School and the quality and range of opportunities she has offered to the children over her 5 years at the school.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this further.

School Disco

What a brilliant evening of disco dancing! All the children who came had a fabulous evening's entertainment and thank you also to all of the adults from the PTFA and staff from school who worked so hard to make the evening such a memorable event for all the children who attended.

Pumpkin-credible!

Despite the driving rain and winds, our annual Pumpkin Walk was another truly wonderful experience. Once again, I was blown away by the effort that had gone into each and every one and I took loads of pictures to show my own children back at home that night. Like me, they loved seeing the amazing detail, time and care that had gone into each pumpkin.









Many thanks on behalf of the PTFA for all the fantastic pumpkins brought in for display in the Woodland Walk - they ranged from enormous 'grinning' ones to 'evil pumpkin babies'!

Thanks also to Mr Carr, the school Governors, all the helpers and to everyone who came after school to see the display. We got through about 40 litres of hot chocolate and combining it with the cake sale proved to be a huge success as we raised just over **£280** for our school, so that's fantastic. Thank you for all your support.

Remembrance Day



Poppies have been on sale this week and will continue to be sold next week. Thank you for your donations so far.

Odd Socks Day

Don't forget Odd Socks Day next Tuesday 12th November as part of Anti-Bullying Week. Odd Socks day is designed to be fun and is an opportunity to encourage children to express themselves whilst celebrating their individuality. Please remember that children should still be wearing their school uniform as normal. A big thank you in advance for your support and we look forward to seeing all of your creative sock combinations!

<u>Coats</u>

Now that the weather is turning colder and wetter I will be asking teachers to check that all children have coats at break and lunch time. Children always have the opportunity to ask a member of staff if they can take their coat off if they are warm after running around. Please ensure that your child brings a coat into school every day.

Great Fire Drama

On Wednesday 6th November, the children in year 2 took part in a fantastic drama workshop about The Great Fire of London. The children learnt all about the Great Fire of London and acted out the key facts. They found out that the fire lasted for four days, six people died and that Samuel Pepys buried his wine and cheese!

'The Great Fire of London workshop was incredible'- By Poppy M

'I loved it when I got a gold coin from King Charles because I had worked hard' By Lola O







Data Collection Sheets

The office sent out pink data collection forms to all students from Year 1 to Year 6 last half term, if you have not returned this form to the office could you please do so asap. If you have lost or misplaced the form could you please let the office know and they will print another out for you. Just a reminder we need at least 3 contacts for each student.

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Year R News

Stay and Play

Thank you to everyone who came to our first 'Stay and Play' session on Thursday. The sign-up sheet will be outside Rabbits and Hedgehogs classroom each morning for the next session. Please sign up if you are able to make it so as we know how many additional adults we expect. Grandparents and extended family are welcome too.

Mark Making

There is an information session for parents and carers of children in Reception on Tuesday 12th November at 9am or 6pm in the school hall. The information session is about mark making; what we do in school to promote this and how you can help at home. Miss Scott and Mrs Morgan look forward to seeing you there.

Year 6 at Beaulieu

Year 6 had a fantastic day at Beaulieu, learning about the role of the Special Operations Executive during World War II. From exploring WW2 transport; to eating lunch in Florrie's wartime café; signing the pledge of secrecy and examining objects used to disguise messages, we had a fact-packed day with lots of entertainment from the Beaulieu staff in role as various wartime characters. More photos in the Y6 gallery!



Jamie Dodson

Headteacher

Dates for your Diary next Academic Year— New dates or amendments in red.

Nov	ember		
Mon	11 th		ANTI-BULLYING WEEK
		Morning	Indian Dance Workshop
		10.00am	Open morning – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (1)
		1.15pm	Open afternoon – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (1)
Tue	12 th	9.00am	Mark Making information session for Yr R parents (HM/SS)
		6.00pm	Mark making information session for Yr R parents (HM/SS)
		All Day	Odd Socks Day
Fri	15 th	All day	'Children in Need' date/non-uniform day
		3.05pm	KS2 celebration assembly (individual parents will be contacted to attend)
Mon	18 th		NSPCC 'Speak out, stay safe' assembly
		10.00am	Open morning – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (2)
		1.15pm	Open afternoon – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (2)
		6.15pm	Full Governing Body (2)
Tues	19th	2.30pm	School Council Meeting
Wed	20 th		Individual Photos
Thu	21 st	3.05pm	KS1 celebration assembly (individual parents will be contacted to attend)
Fri	22 nd	9.15am	4G Class Assembly
Mon	25 th	10.00am	Open morning – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (3)
		1.15pm	Open afternoon – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (3)
Tues	26th	All Day	African Drumming & Activities Workshop
Thu	28 th	pm	Y5/Y6 – NSPCC workshops
Fri	29 th	9.15am	6K Class Assembly
		3.05pm	KS2 celebration assembly (individual parents will be contacted to attend)

Dec	ember			
Mon	2 nd		Last week of clubs	
		10.00am	Open morning – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (4)	
		1.15pm	Open afternoon – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (4)	
		2.45pm	Staff Promise Assembly (JD)	
Thu	5 th		'Dress As You Please Day' - PTFA	
Fri	6 th	All day	PTFA Christmas Fair	
Wed	11 th	9.30am	Year R Christmas Play performance	
Thu	12 th	1.30pm	Year 1/2 Christmas Play performance 1	
Fri	13 th		Christmas Jumper Day	
		9.30am	Year 1/2 Christmas Play performance 2	
		3.05pm	KS1 celebration assembly (individual parents will be contacted to attend)	
Mon	16 th	11.00am	PTFA Sherry/Mince Pie Reception – helpers/parents/etc	
Thur	19 th	am/pm	School Christmas lunch	
		3.05pm	KS2 celebration assembly (individual parents will be contacted to attend)	
Fri	20 th	1.15pm	END OF TERM	
	Christmas Holidays			

Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January

SPR	SPRING TERM				
Janu	uary				
Mon	6 th		School reopens for children		
Fri	10 th	8.30am	Governor Resources Mtg (3)		
		9.15am	4A Class Assembly		
Mon	13 th		Clubs start (10 weeks → Friday 27 th March)		
Wed	15 th		Termly newsletters distributed		
Mon	20 th	6.15pm	Full Governing Body (3)		
Wed	22 nd	2.30pm	School Council Meeting (3)		
Fri	24 th	9.15am	5S Class Assembly		
Mon	27 th		'500 words' assembly launch - HM		
Fri	31 st		INSET DAY (3) – COMMON CLOSURE DAY		

Feb	ruary				
Mon	3 rd		Children's Mental Health Week		
Wed	5 th	6.15pm	Parents' Meeting (Year 6) – SATs		
Tue	11 th		Safer Internet Day		
Fri	14 th	9.15am	2S Class Assembly		
			BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM		
	HALF TERM				
	Monday 17 th - Friday 21 st February				

February			
Mon	24 th		School reopens for children
Fri	28 th	9.15am	6R Class Assembly

Mar	ch		
Mon	2nd		Book Week
		3.50-6.50pm	Parent Interviews (1)
Thurs	5th		WORLD BOOK DAY - dress up as a word
		3.50-6.50pm	Parent Interviews (2)
Fri 6th-	–Sun 16t	h	British Science Week
Fri	6 th		Whole School Science Day
		8.30am	Governor Resources Mtg (4)
Mon	9 th		Sport Relief Week
		pm	Inter-House cross country – JB
Wed	11 th	1.30pm	Inter House Football - JB
Thu	12 th	2.30pm	School Council Meeting (4)
Fri	13 th	All day	Sport Relief
		1.30pm	Inter House Netball - JB
Mon	16 th	3.05pm	Oratory Cup launch – HM (Assembly)
		6.15pm	Full Governing Body (4)
Mon	23 rd		Oratory Cup performances in classes (1 child vote from each class, 1 teacher vote winner)
	th		Last week of clubs
Fri	27 th	9.15am	5E Class Assembly
		pm	Oratory Cup Final

Apr	il				
Wed	1 st				
Thu	2 nd	9.15am	Y 3/4 Easter performance (1)		
		2.45pm	Y 3/4 Easter performance (2)		
Fri	3 rd	9.15am	3W Class Assembly		
		1.15pm	END OF TERM		
	Easter Holidays				
	Monday 6 th April – Friday 17 th April				

	SUMMER TERM				
Apr	il				
Mon	20 th		INSET DAY (4)		
Tue	21 st		School reopens for children		
Fri	24 th	9.15am	3B Class Assembly		
Mon	27 th		Clubs start (10 weeks → Friday, 10 th July)		
Wed	29 th		Termly newsletters distributed		

May	7		
Fri	1 st		KS1 SATS test period (throughout May)
		8.30am	Governor Resources Mtg (5)
Tue	5 th	2.30pm	School Council (5)
Fri	8 th		MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY
Mon	11 th	6.15pm	Full Governing Body (5)
Fri	15 th	3.30-7.30pm	PTFA Summer Festival
Tue	19 th	6.15pm	Parents' Meeting (Year 6) – Osmington Bay
Fri	22 nd	9.15am	Hedgehogs Class Assembly
		3.30pm	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

HALF TERM

Monday 25th – Friday 29th May

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June	e				
Mon	1 st		INSET DAY (5)		
Tue	2 nd		School reopens for children		
Wed	3 rd	6.15pm	Parents' Meeting (Year 4) – Camp		
Mon	8 th		Healthy Living Week		
Thu	11 th	All day	Sports Day (including family picnic)		
Fri	12 th	9.15am	1AH Class Assembly		
Tue	16 th	6.30pm	New Intake Parents Induction Evening		
Wed	17 th		Hampshire Fire and Rescue with Y2 & Y5		
Fri	19 th		Year 4 Camp (overnight until Saturday 20 th)		
Sat	20 th		Year 4 Camp		
Mon	22 nd	am	Father's Day 'Share-a-story'		
Wed	24 th		Henry Beaufort Y7 induction day 1		
			'Shuffle Up' morning		
Thu	25 th		Henry Beaufort Y7 induction day 2		
Fri	26 th	8.30am	Governor Resources Mtg (6)		
		9.15am	Rabbits Class Assembly		
Mon	Mon 29 th – Fri 3 ^{ra}		Osmington Bay – Year 6 residential		

July	,		
Fri	3 rd	9.15am	1H Class Assembly
Mon	6 th		Last week of clubs
Thu	9 th	All Day	Sports Day (alternative date)
Fri	10 th		Annual reports to parents
		9.15am	2M Class Assembly
		5.00-10.30pm	PTFA – Woodland Wonderland Evening
Mon	13 th	6.15pm	Full Governing Body (6)
Mon	20 th	9.15am	Year 6 Leavers Assembly – school
		pm	House Rounders Competition (Year 6 – LK/CR)
		3.45pm-5.00pm	Open evening for current parents
Tue	21 st	9.15am	Year 6 Leavers Assembly – parents
		6.00-8.00pm	Year 6 Farewell Party
Wed	22 nd	1.15pm	END OF TERM