

# Kings Worthy

Primary School

## Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Message from Governors

The Governing Body at Kings Worthy Primary School is made up of 12 members: Mr Dodson and our staff governor, Miss Eggleston. 10 members come from within our community and include parents. Our job is to work in partnership with the school to ensure that the school has a plan to focus our efforts to improve, that government guidance is followed, that the education our children receive from the school is the best that it can be, and that we spend our funding wisely.

We appreciate that it may feel like a lot is changing at school, and that this might be unsettling. Mr Dodson and Governors are determined that we should do all that we can to improve our school, and we are very encouraged to see the positive changes that are starting to take shape.

Claire Welland, Chair of Governors

### Year 5 visit to Winchester Science Centre

On Wednesday, Year 5 went to the Science Centre where we had a go at shooting a basketball in a hoop while being in a wheelchair, running races and much more. We looked at constellations and some of the planets with Meg in the planetarium. As part of our space topic the best bit was looking at how the white light is made out of different colours.

Hannah P



On Wednesday, we went to the Science Centre and did all sorts of things. When we did the workshop, we did colours and how fast they went. Then we did puzzles and testing how hot materials are when they are alight. Then we put glasses on and saw many bright colours because light is made up of all the colours. My favourite part was testing how fast we were.

Josh G

### Year 3 Walk in Winchester

On Wednesday 27th November, Year 3 took part in a guided tour around the historical sites of Winchester. They learned about the famous diver who saved the Cathedral, the story of the Manor of God Bigot and were introduced to the life of Alfred the Great.

The children behaved impeccably, receiving many positive comments from members of the public.

The rich history of Winchester has sparked some real excitement amongst the children and it was wonderful to see.



"I learned a lot about the history of Winchester. I want to learn more." Ollie Year 3.

"It was fun learning about the diver who saved the Cathedral. The crypt was very spooky though." Ava Year 3.

### Song of the Week

As of next week, we'll be having a song of the week song as part of an initiative to make Kings Worthy a 'singing school.' The song will be shared in the newsletter the Friday before. Children will then be taught the weekly song during singing assembly on Tuesdays, and will have opportunities to sing it throughout the week in class. Songs will cover a range of genres and will be linked to the school's BEST values. We hope that children and parents will also enjoy the songs at home!

#### SONG OF THE WEEK

Our first song of the week will be (drum roll...)

***Feliz Navidad by José Feliciano***

### **Home learning environment**

I know many of you are keen to support your child(ren) at home. The Department for Education have created a fantastic website full of useful tips, activities and apps that you can incorporate into your home environment and daily routines. The website is aimed at supporting children from 0-5 years, but has many ideas suitable for Early Years and Year 1. Please take a look at the website by visiting the link below:

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

### **Volunteer Readers**

This half term has seen the first half term of our volunteer reader scheme. The children have benefited immensely from having other adults to read with on a daily basis and it has supported their fluency and reading comprehension abilities. However, we are still looking for more volunteers to join us after Christmas. Having spoken to some of the volunteers they have said how they are thoroughly enjoying it and what a difference each day is hearing different children read. If you would be interested in this, please come along to one of our volunteer sessions on either Monday 16th December at 9am or Thursday 19th December at 9am. We look forward to seeing many more of you there.

### **Staffing update**

Today we say farewell to Mrs Judson. Vicky has been with the school for over 7 years, has worked with so many of our children, and will be a sorely missed member of the team. She is moving away from the education profession and returning to the office environment. I am sure you will want to pass on your very best to her for the future.


In addition, Mrs Elaine Woodward, who joined our office team in September 2018, has decided to retire at the end of this term and we wish Elaine all the best in her retirement.

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed Arron Potter as a full time learning support assistant who will begin working with us before the end of this term. We look forward to having him as part of the team.

### **Weather**

Please could you ensure that your child(ren) continue to bring their coats to school as temperatures are expected to drop next week. Thank you.

Yours sincerely



Mr Jamie Dodson

Headteacher

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

## HALF TERM

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> October – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> November**

### December

Mon	2 <sup>nd</sup>		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 <sup>th</sup>		'Dress As You Please Day' - PTFA
Fri	6 <sup>th</sup>	All day	PTFA Christmas Fair Flu Vaccinations
Tues	10 <sup>th</sup>	2.30—3.30pm	Y2 Listen 2 me concert 1H & 4G 'Wear what you like day' for good attendance
Wed	11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Year R Christmas Play performance
Thu	12 <sup>th</sup>	1.30pm	Year 1/2 Christmas Play performance 1
Fri	13 <sup>th</sup>		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 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	PTFA Sherry/Mince Pie Reception – helpers/parents/etc
Thur	19 <sup>th</sup>	am/pm	School Christmas lunch
		3.05pm	KS2 celebration assembly (individual parents will be contacted to attend)
Fri	20 <sup>th</sup>	1.15pm	END OF TERM

## Christmas Holidays

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**

### SPRING TERM

#### January

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

<b>February</b>			
Mon	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Children's Mental Health Week
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup>	6.15pm	Parents' Meeting (Year 6) – SATs
Tue	11 <sup>th</sup>		Safer Internet Day
Fri	14 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	2S Class Assembly
<b>BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM</b>			

**HALF TERM**  
**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

<b>February</b>			
Mon	24 <sup>th</sup>		School reopens for children
Fri	28 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	6R Class Assembly

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

<b>April</b>			
Wed	1 <sup>st</sup>		
Thu	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.15am 2.45pm	Y 3/4 Easter performance (1) Y 3/4 Easter performance (2)
Fri	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.15am 1.15pm	3W Class Assembly END OF TERM

**Easter Holidays**  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April**

## SUMMER TERM

### April

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

### May

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

## HALF TERM

### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

### June

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

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