

Kings Worthy

Primary School

Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Half term!

Wow! 8 weeks down already and the first half term complete! The half term leading up to Christmas has always been my favourite in school as there are so many exciting events to look forward too! I've heard a rumour that the staff promises that are sold at the Christmas Fair in early December are the best yet – more news in early December on this one!

Have a restful half term and I'll look forward to seeing you all on **Tuesday 5th November**.

Kings Worthy Choir

Our Kings Worthy choir are currently rehearsing for a special Christmas performance alongside choirs from other local schools. Excitingly, they will be performing a number of Christmas songs (including 'Let It Snow,' 'Silver Bells,' and a couple of fun songs from the film 'The Polar Express') alongside the County Wind Ensemble at the **New Hall** in **Winchester College**. Mrs Orba, who came in to teach the choir this week, was so impressed by the talents of our young singers that she even gave them the tricky harmonies to learn! If you would like to come to the performance, then it will be on **Saturday 14th December**, and tickets can be bought on the door – we will send more information nearer the time.

(written by Miss Aldridge)

Stay and Play

We would like to invite parents/carers of children in **Rabbits** and **Hedgehogs** to 'Stay and Play' sessions after half term. For the second half of the autumn term these sessions will be on Thursday mornings. We will rotate days in each new half term to allow parents who work on different days to pop in so that they don't miss out. These sessions give you a chance to see what your child is learning and to get involved alongside them. There will be a sign up sheet outside each classroom at the start of the week so we know how many to expect. 'Stay and Play' will run from 08:45 - 09:45. We look forward to seeing you then.

(written by Mrs Morgan)

BBC Children in Need

We will be supporting 'Children in Need' on **Friday 15th November**. The theme this year is, 'Let's do good, and feel good together'. 'Children in Need' have teamed up with Joe Wicks to create a 'big morning move' to get the children moving and start the day with positivity. On this day, for a donation of £1, we would like to encourage the children to come to school in their own 'sporty' clothes ready to get moving - should you wish to put a spotty twist on this please feel free! All donations will be sent to 'Children in Need'.

Junior Road Safety Officers

On Monday, Nicole (6K) and Oscar (5S) travelled to Botley Park Hotel to train to be Junior Road Safety Officers for our school. Congratulations to them both for representing our school so well and they are now ready to implement their training.



Monday was a great learning experience. Firstly, we were overjoyed to be chosen and were excited to represent our school. When we arrived, we went into a room full of other schools and learnt about how to stay safe on the road. Then, we met our leader who was extremely encouraging and made us feel welcome. After that, we started off by learning about different transport, how they affect safety and what different crossings there are on the roads. We then did a quiz to teach us more about road safety and how to keep others safe. After that, we made our own adverts, which helped us learn about the advantages and disadvantages of the road. Now we are Road Safety Officers we want to show the school how crucial road safety is and there's more to it than you think. Throughout the year we would like our school to take part in different activities and challenges to help people to stay safe on the road and work towards winning the champion of the champions (a competition that highlights our successes).

(written by Nicole and Oscar)

Following on this message of road safety, I have received more worrying emails this week from parents concerned about the drop-off area in the morning. I will be out there during the first week back to observe the parking and driving as we may once again have to close this area due to safety concerns.

After School Club

I know there are many parents frustrated about being unable to join our after school care club. We are working desperately behind the scenes to be in a position to increase our numbers and hope to have further news after half term.

Students

You may have noticed three new additions to the school in the last couple of weeks. Miss Barette in 1H; Miss Hughes in 5E; and Miss Nicholson in 6R are currently undertaking their first PGCE practice. All three will remain with us throughout the next half term providing valuable support in class and we wish them all the very best.

Staffing

Mrs Crombie has sadly decided to move on to a different career path and will be leaving the school on the 15th November. We thank her for all her hard work and dedication since she joined Kings Worthy a couple of years ago and we wish her all the very best for the future.

Winchester Young Film Makers Competition

Winchester Rotary and the University of Winchester are happy to announce an exciting new opportunity for Young Film Makers. The Winchester Young Film Makers Competition is the local heat of a new national Rotary Competition, which is open to young people from 7-17 years of age. There are three age categories: 7-10, 11-13 and 14-17.

The challenge is to produce a short film of up to 5 minutes long on the theme of "Through My Eyes". Films must be submitted by 1st December 2019.

The competition is free to enter and young people should ask their parents to register online at www.winchester-young-filmmaker.org.uk.

We are thrilled that the University of Winchester have got involved and that Dr Mark DeValk has agreed to be head judge. The university have also made the John Stripe theatre available for the celebration of achievement and presentation of the prizes on Friday 13th December 2019.

Prizes (vouchers for the London Camera Exchange shop in Winchester) will be awarded to the winners in each age category.

Celebrating Languages - National Foreign Language Christmas Card Competition

Kings Worthy children, from Year R to Year 6, are invited to take part in this competition run by 'Routes into Languages' in conjunction with Aston University. They will display the winning entry around the university, on their website and in publicity material; they will also use it as their e-card this Christmas. These cards can be made using any form of materials, such as pens, paint, fabric, etc.

Each card must be:

- in a foreign language
- show the Christmas traditions of a country where that language is spoken.
- handmade
- up to A4 size to be given directly to Madame Miller or via the School Office by Friday, 22nd November at the latest (with your name, age, year group, teacher and school written clearly on the back)



Cards will not be returned, so you may like to make a copy before handing them in.

School Meals

After half term the new school menu will be in place.

If your child requires a special diet menu you need to apply by going onto the HC3S website and download the form. When completed bring the form into the school office and we will scan it and send it off for you. Before the form is accepted by the HC3S it will need to be signed by a member of the medical profession.

The kitchen cannot provide allergy children with a meal until this process has been completed and a special menu received.

A picture menu can be viewed on line or in the window of the hall if you wish to discuss the options with your child.

Jamie Dodson
Headteacher

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

HALF TERM

Mon 28th October – Fri 1st November

November

Mon	4 th		INSET DAY (2) – tbc (fire marshal/1st Aid/H & S)
Tue	5 th		School reopens for children
Tues	5 th	7.00-9.00pm	PTFA AGM
Wed	6th	Afternoon	Great Fire of London drama workshop
Thu	7 th	3.30-6.00pm	PTFA 'Spooks & Sparks' disco
Fri	8 th	8.30am 2.45pm	Governor Resources Mtg (2) JD - Remembrance Day Assembly
Mon	11 th	Morning 10.00am 1.15pm	ANTI-BULLYING WEEK Indian Dance Workshop Open morning – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (1) Open afternoon – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (1)
Tue	12 th	9.00am 6.00pm	Mark Making information session for Yr R parents (HM/SS) Mark making information session for Yr R parents (HM/SS)
Fri	15 th	All day 3.05pm	'Children in Need' date/non-uniform day KS2 celebration assembly (individual parents will be contacted to attend)
Mon	18 th	10.00am 1.15pm 6.15pm	NSPCC 'Speak out, stay safe' assembly Open morning – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (2) Open afternoon – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (2) Full Governing Body (2)
Tues	19 th	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 1.15pm	Open morning – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (3) Open afternoon – New YR parents for Sep 2020 (3)
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)

December			
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			

SPRING TERM			
January			
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

February			
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
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HALF TERM			
Monday 17th – Friday 21st February			

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

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

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

Easter Holidays

Monday 6th April – Friday 17th April

SUMMER TERM			
April			
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			
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			

June			
Mon	1st		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 29 th – Fri 3 rd			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	9.15am	Annual reports to parents
		5.00-10.30pm	2M Class Assembly 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