

# **Newsletter**



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**Dear Parent and Carers** 

# Kings Worthy Book Bingo Reading Challenge Spring Term

Thank you to all pupils who participated in the Autumn Book Bingo Reading Challenge and a huge **well done** for completing your Bronze Award! Shortly, all children will be receiving the Spring Book Bingo Reading challenge where if you have already achieved your Bronze Award you can earn your Silver. If you didn't manage to complete the Autumn term Book Bingo you can still achieve a Bronze Award for completing the Spring term. Remember you have all over Spring term to complete it and the final date to hand your Book Bingo in will be **Friday 8**<sup>th</sup> **April**. Happy Reading!



# Mathematics in Year R

As we begin to learn more numbers in Year R we thought you may find it useful to find out more about what we teach in our maths sessions. If you would like to find out more about maths, alongside activities that you can do at home then please visit our school website where there is a video explaining all that we do.

https://www.kingsworthy.hants.sch.uk/page/?title=Maths&pid=249&action=saved

### **Spelling Shed**

A great start to our new term of Spelling Shed. It has been great to see some Year 2 children on our leader board and 2S are currently in the lead of our top class for the half term. Here are this week's results. 4S overtook 4B at the last minute, so keep spelling to build up those points.

#### Individuals

1st Place - Florence, Year 4

2nd Place - Oliver M, Year 2

3rd Place - Molly Y, Year 2

<u>Classes</u>

1st Place - 2S

2nd Place - 4S

# Inset Day - Friday January 28th

This will still be taking place and we will be ensuring that we have sufficient fire marshals trained up in school; staff enabled to use fire extinguishers; and working on how we implement a consistent maths planning format across the school. School will be closed to all pupils.

#### **World Book Day**

This year World Book Day falls on *Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March*. As we were still home learning last year, we missed out on a whole school event to celebrate everything about books. As a school, we have decided to run our 'Dress as a Word' day again this year. It was a fantastic opportunity for children to learn words and their meanings. The children need to think of any word (the more unusual the better) and dress up as that word. I have included some pictures from two years ago for some ideas. We wanted to give you plenty of notice to create your words and we look forward to seeing and learning about them on World Book Day.





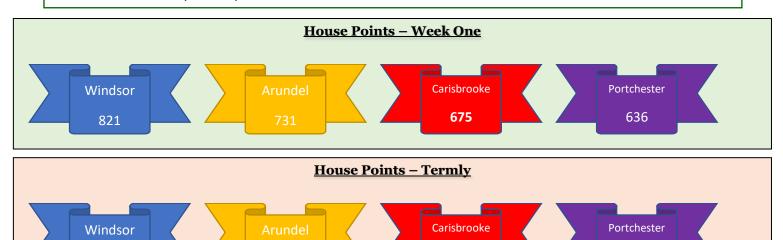


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#### **Snow**

I thought that I should send information out to parents and carers around school closures in case of snow. We will always endeavour to keep the school open, as closing the school presents problems for working parents, and we have a statutory responsibility to provide an education for the children during school hours. I also try to not have the school open for just half a day, or allow a late arrival at school, as this poses operational problems and again is a hassle for parents and carers if they have to do a ten o'clock drop-off or one o'clock pick-up. However, we also have to staff the school adequately to ensure the safety and well-being of the children, and most of our staff live beyond the boundaries of Kings Worthy, whereas most of the children live within walking distance.

When deciding whether or not to close the school, I have to consider the journey that staff will take in terms of distance and safety, whether kitchen staff are able to get into school to feed the children and also take into account the weather forecast for the day. If I do decide to close the school, this will appear on the 'announcement' banner on the school website as early as possible on the day of closure. It will also be on the Hampshire County Council page for school closures, and BBC Radio Solent picks up from this to announce closures. We would endeavour to email parents, but it is likely that email traffic will be high if multiple schools are doing this, and it may be that the email communication is slow. If the school remains open, then we will run as a normal school day and any absence will be unauthorised.



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