

Kings Worthy

Primary School

Newsletter



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Dear Parent and Carers

School Council – Platinum Jubilee Visit Take 2!

After our disappointment a couple of weeks ago when we were due to meet Prince Charles at the Great Hall, we were incredibly excited to attend the opening of The Arc in Winchester yesterday. This time was a little bit different as we actually got to meet him!

When we arrived, we were escorted into The Arc and got to listen to some stories told by professional story teller, Dawn Nelson.

We then lined the steps outside The Arc and when he left the building, everyone clapped and cheered whilst the press took A LOT of photos! Prince Charles spent time talking to us before chatting to members of the public. We then went back into The Arc and were presented with a book each and a gift of a book to bring back into our school library. It was an amazing experience!

'The whole experience was awe-inspiring!' – Tomas (5R)

'I loved going to The Arc and the story telling was amazing. One of my favourite parts was when we were waving our flags and Prince Charles talked to everyone' – Daisy (4B)

'He asked us "Where is your school?" and I found it exciting because I got to talk to him in person and listen to some stories!' – Harry (4S)

'It was great to meet the Prince after the slight disappointment of last time. It will be great to put on my CV that I have met the future king!' – Patrick (6K)



Message from the Governing Body

Dear Parents and Carers

On behalf of the Governors I would like to thank those of you who recently completed the Governor Parental Survey. We appreciate that the turnaround time was short but even so, there was an impressive response rate. The information that you have supplied will be collated and considered by the Full Governing Board at our next meeting later this month. Thereafter, information about the survey results will be shared with you.

Thank you again for your support of the school, the staff and for sharing your views.

Best regards

Lorraine Suchanek

Year 1 and 2 Exciting Reading Challenge, Coming Soon!

Coming up, a challenge for Year 1s and 2s will be taking place where they can earn themselves a reading prize. It will be called the 'Kings 15'. It is a challenge for them to take on board themselves as we would like them to visit the library 15 times to select books during their lunchtime where they will be welcomed by our fabulous Pupil Librarians.

We will have designated days for specific year groups to attend the library.

Watch this space as more information will be coming soon!

(written by Mrs Sibbons and Mrs Atkins)

Spelling Shed

It is great to see new children on our Super Spellers leader board for the first spring half term. There were only 11 games between 1st place and 3rd place so make sure you continue to play as many as you can to be at the top of our leader board for this half term. A huge congratulations to **3M**, who I know have been trying their hardest to be at the top! They have received their spelling bee trophy to look after for the half term.

Super Spellers Spring 1

1st Place - Molly Y, Year 2

2nd Place - James, Year 3

3rd Place - Jonathan, Year 3

Class Winners Spring 1

1st Place - 3M

2nd Place - 2S

3rd Place - 6C

Year 1 Phonics Screening

This year, in the week beginning 6th June, all children within Year 1 will take part in the statutory Phonics Screening Check. The purpose of this check is to ensure that all children have learned phonic decoding to an age-appropriate standard. To provide you with more information about this, Miss Hutchins and Miss Wood have pre-recorded an information PowerPoint for you to watch at a time suitable to you. This video can be found on our school website <https://www.kingsworthy.hants.sch.uk/page/?title=Phonics&pid=251> If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Hutchins, Miss Wood or Mrs Morgan for further information.

World Book Day

Yesterday saw the return of our '**Dress as a Word Day**'. There was a huge array of different vocabulary in every classroom from 'intrepid' to 'pandemonium'. The children (and adults!) were able to learn lots of new words and we all had such great fun finding out about them. Years 3 - 6 also took part in a virtual author event with Tom McLaughlin who has written books such as 'The Accidental Prime Minister' and 'The Story Machine'. The children were interested by Tom and his journey to becoming an author and were able to take part in an illustration masterclass too. These books and many more are available from our library. If you missed our Scholastic book fair today, it will also be running after school on Monday.



Staff Promise to Ninja Warrior

In February, we had our Staff Promise to Ninja Warrior. It was an amazing experience and we'll definitely go there again! We had a great car journey there with Mr Potter and Madame Miller that included Mr Potter singing to Beyoncé! There was a massive inflatable course that we raced around, obstacle courses like on the TV show and different obstacles that Mr Potter was getting very competitive about (because he kept falling in the foam pit below!)

It was definitely one of the best things we've ever done with school and we were very lucky to get picked!
(written by George and Jamie - 6K)



New staff in school

A big Kings Worthy welcome to Mrs Sarah Gemmill who is supporting in Year 6; Miss Niamh Collis who is supporting in Year 2 and Year 4; and Miss Charlotte Harwood who is a new student teacher training alongside Mrs O'Sullivan in Year 6 until May half term.

Events in Ukraine

Whilst we are geographically far away from the events that have unfolded in Ukraine, many of us may be directly affected and may have families or roots in the region. The news and social media feeds are filled with the latest information, and some of it is very upsetting and worrying. Children listening and viewing distressing images can become frightened and fearful.

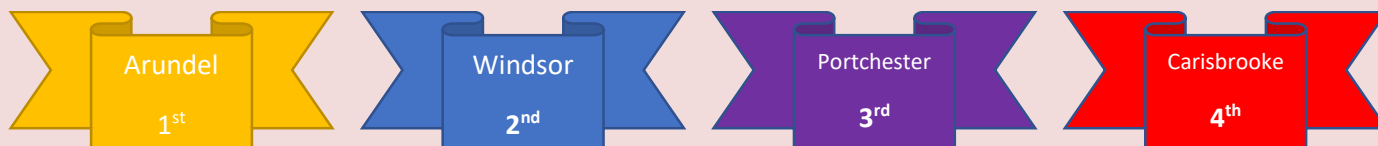
Here are some background reading resources to help you think about how adults can support children with what they are seeing or feeling. Please read through these links before sharing, to ensure that they are suitable for your family and situation.

(Place2Be) https://www.place2be.org.uk/about-us/news-and-blogs/2022/march/talking-to-children-and-young-people-about-war-and-conflict/?utm_campaign=2370281_NAHT%20News%20%20March%202022&utm_medium=email&utm_source=National%20Association%20of%20Head%20Teachers&dm_i=3OT7,1ESX5,7H46LX,55K6N,1

(Childnet) <https://www.childnet.com/blog/supporting-your-child-with-upsetting-content/>

No house points were collected for the final week due to the weather so we just have the Termly position.

House Points – Termly



Jamie Dodson
Headteacher