

Kings Worthy

Primary School

Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome!

A warm welcome back to school to you and your children, and a special welcome to the new children who have joined us for the first time this week. I hope you had an enjoyable and restful holiday and I have seen first-hand that the children are in a positive frame of mind for the year ahead.

The staff have worked hard to prepare the school for the start of the year and all the classrooms look magnificent. Mr Carr has done a fabulous job in school during the holidays and the school looks immaculate throughout.

As your child(ren) settles into the new school year there may be the odd occasion when uncertainty arises on their part about what he/she has been asked to do. Please encourage your child to ask his/her teacher if this is the case. September is always an important time for us to set expectations for your child(ren), put routines in place and reinforce our school rules. It is important for us to do this as it really does set up the rest of the school year. Please support us at home and reinforce key messages we are giving to the children. I know your child(ren) will have a good, hardworking, successful year and achieve their potential.

Many thanks, in anticipation of your support.

Lunch with Mr Dodson

Over the coming weeks I plan to eat lunch with every child in school so that I can sit and chat and get to know everyone a little better. First up next week will be 6E and the plan is to have lunch with 7 children each day from that class. The children don't need to do anything different – just bring packed lunch or order school dinners as normal.

Huge Thanks

All the adults in school would like to pass on their thanks to so many of you for your kind words and generous gifts given at the end of last term. They were very much appreciated.

Attendance

Please could I ask for your continued support in ensuring that your children attend school regularly and are punctual. I am pleased to inform you that our attendance rate for last year was 96.1% - many thanks. Also, 28 children managed to go through the whole year with 100% attendance – a super achievement!

The school gates are opened at 8.45 a.m., with registration shortly after at 8.55 a.m. and all children should be in class at this time. It is very disruptive for children and teaching staff if children arrive into the classrooms after the school day has begun. A reminder that the school day ends at 3.30 p.m.

Health & Well-being

If your child uses an inhaler, however infrequently, or requires access to emergency medical treatment (e.g. Epi-pens), please ensure the school is fully aware and holds the appropriate supply of the necessary medication (within its use-by date.) It is regarded as recommended practice for schools to have duplicates of inhalers so that one is with the child (in class) and one is in the Medical Room. All medication should be in date and you are asked to check this and replace as appropriate.

Parent Access to School in the morning

In the interests of maintaining a safe and secure school, please leave your child to enter class unaccompanied by you. This ensures that we know who is on the premises and whose safety we need to account for. The class teacher is available for a quick chat should the need arise first thing, but if a longer appointment is required, please arrange through the office. Your co-operation would be very much appreciated.

Clubs

A list of the clubs on offer this term will be sent home on Monday and will be allocated on a first come first served basis in some instances.

Handing in Paperwork

We are very keen to encourage all children to take responsibility for handing in paperwork to their class teachers. Each morning teachers collect any items the children need to hand in and they are then passed on to the office. Please help us by encouraging your children to hand in any money, paperwork, notes, vouchers etc. direct to their class teachers which will then help morning and evening congestion at reception. Many thanks for your support.

Dinner Money

Please ensure that all dinner monies are paid in advance. If you are unsure of the amounts outstanding please contact the school office. Thank you for your cooperation.

The cost of meals next term for pupils in KS2 only is as follows:

First half term - 34 days @ £2.30 - £78.20

Second half term - 40 days @ £2.30 - £92.00

Total for whole term: £170.20

Please consider using the online payment system if you haven't already. It is simple to register and you can use the same account for paying for trips and booking parents evening appointments. If you'd like an online code and details of how to register, please ask at the school office.

Smoking

Please could I remind you that we operate a no smoking policy and therefore smoking is not permitted anywhere on the school site.

I've had an amazing first week and I look forward to another very successful year for everyone at Kings Worthy, achieved through your generous and much appreciated support.

Jamie Dodson, Headteacher.

Dates for your Diary this Academic Year

New dates or amendments in red.

Tue 11th Sep	3pm	Y1 Meet the Teacher in 1A
Tue 11th Sep	3pm	Y6 Meet the Teacher in Hall
Tue 11th Sep	3.40pm	Y4 Meet the Teacher in 4E
Wed 12th Sep	3pm	Y3 Meet the Teacher in 3S
Wed 12th Sep	3.40pm	Y2 Meet the Teacher in 2G
Thu 13th Sep	3.40pm	Y5 Meet the Teacher in 5K
Fri 19th Oct	3-3.30pm	Y5 Viking Play
Fri 19th Oct	All day	Last day of half term
Mon 29th Oct	All day	First day of second half term
Thu 1st Nov	All day	Flu Vaccines YR-5
Wed 21st Nov	All day	Individual Photos
Fri 21st Dec	All day	Last day of term
Mon 7th Jan	All day	First day of term
Fri 15th Feb	All day	Last day of half term
Mon 25th Feb	All day	First day of second half term
Fri 5th Apr	All day	Last day of term
Tue 23rd Apr	All day	First day of term
Fri 24th May	All day	Last day of half term
Mon 3rd Jun	All day	First day of second half term
Tue 23rd Jul	All day	Last day of term