

# Kings Worthy

Primary School

## Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Hedgehogs and Rabbits

The new children arrived in Hedgehogs and Rabbits this week. They have settled in brilliantly and they are already establishing themselves incredibly well within the school. One of my favourite parts of the week was going in to both classes today to read 'Duck in the Truck' and the children were amazing listeners and even want me to go back in a couple of weeks to read to them again.

### Lunch with 6E

This week I have had lunch with all the children from 6E. I have learnt as many of their names as I can and will be going back in for regular testing. They have all spoken to me so nicely and it has been lovely hearing all about them. Next Tuesday I will start with 6R.

### Year 4 Egyptian Day

Whenever the children do things in school I always like to include their views on what happened whenever possible so here are a couple of reports from Ruxy and Mason...

*This half term our topic is Ancient Egypt and on Wednesday we had Ancient Egypt Day! We started with writing on a board all of the questions that we have about the topic. Then we drew ourselves wearing Ancient Egyptian headdresses. Then we wrote our names in hieroglyphics. The day was really fun!*

#### Ruxy T

*Our Egyptian Day was fun because we went on a hunt for Ancient Egyptian letters in the Woodland Walk. When we went back to class we had to crack the code. After that we wrote our names in the Egyptian language. Then, we got a picture of our faces and turned us into Ancient Egyptians by decorating them.*

#### Mason

### Year 2 Pirate Day

Wednesday was a brilliant day in year 2 as all the children and adults dressed for the part in their wonderful pirate outfits. I was lucky enough to pop down to year 2 just in time to receive my pirate name and for the day I became 'Swashbuckling Steve the Sea Dog'. Please do not call me that if you see me on the gate as it was just for the day. Thank you to all the adults who made the day one to remember for all the children.

#### Quotes from Year 2S

**Izzy** "It was amazing because it wasn't like a normal school day. We did all our learning about pirates."

**Chloe** "The best thing was being in the Woodland Walk all afternoon."

**Fenton** "It was so exciting on the treasure hunt."

**Naomi** "I felt so excited. We dressed up as pirates and did a treasure hunt then shared the booty."

## **Safeguarding Children at Kings Worthy Primary School**

Kings Worthy Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This means that we have a Child Protection Policy and procedures in place which we refer to on our website. All staff, including supply staff, volunteers and governors, must ensure that they are aware of these procedures. Parents and carers are welcome to read the Policy on request.

Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our pupils are discussed with his/her parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare.

### **Our Designated Safeguarding Leaders are (DSL) are:**

Jamie Dodson – Head Teacher  
Tamsin Hindley – Acting Deputy Headteacher  
Emma Gaunt – Year 2/3 Phase Leader  
Caz Moore – Year R/1 Phase Leader

### **Our Chair of Governors is:**

Mrs Claire Welland

If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard, and report to one of the DSL's as soon as possible on the same day.

DO **NOT** conduct your own investigation.

If your concerns relate to the actions or behaviour of a member of staff (which could suggest that she/he is unsuitable to work with children) then you should report this to the head teacher in confidence (or the LADO - Local Authority Designated Officers - on 01962 876364 if the concern relates to the Head Teacher) – who will consider what action to take.

## **Pupil Premium**

Please can I urge those families who may be entitled to free school meals to register their entitlement (please check on [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk); 'education and learning', 'schools', 'school meals', 'Free School Meals') even if your child is in Key Stage 1 and entitled to free school meals as a matter of course. Additional funding, to be spent in aspects of provision for your child, is given to every school, based on the known free school meal figures. The funding is called Pupil Premium. More detail about the Pupil Premium will be sent out next week.

## **Library volunteers**

Last year a fantastic team of volunteers kept the library running by helping children to exchange books. We now need a few more people to help us, so if you could spare an hour or two a week during the school day, or after school until 4.00 pm, we would be very grateful. If you are interested, please leave your details at the office and Mrs Eastwood will email you.

### **Library Books**

We are so grateful to the PTFA for enabling us to purchase almost 300 new books last year, but we have lost even more! Naturally, books wear out over time and we expect to replace a substantial number each year, but many children haven't returned books and some books were damaged by leaking water bottles.

Please help us by hunting for lost books at home and keeping water bottles away from book bags. Thank you.

## **Street Dance.**

Integr8 dance, who run Street Dance in the school hall every Monday (3.30-4.30 for Years R-2 and 4.30-5.30 for Years 3-6) have asked us to let you know that they have spaces. Please contact them at [natalie@integr8dance.com](mailto:natalie@integr8dance.com) or on 01962 808398.

Jamie Dodson, Headteacher.

**Dates for your Diary this Academic Year**

New dates or amendments in red.

Fri 29th Sept	9am	PTFA coffee morning
Thursday 4th Oct	9am	Henry Beaufort additional open day
Mon 8th Oct	7-9pm	Full Governing Body meeting
Mon 15th Oct	7.30pm	PTFA AGM
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
Tue 30th Oct	3.30pm	Pumpkin Walk
Wed 31st Oct		Deadline for Y7 secondary applications
Thu 1st Nov		Applications open for Year R September 2019 applications
Thu 1st Nov	All day	Flu Vaccines YR-5
Fri 2nd Nov		Bags2School (PTFA)
Mon 19th Nov	7-9pm	Full Governing Body meeting
Wed 21st Nov	All day	Individual Photos
Thur 22nd Nov	Pm	PTFA shopping evening (tbc)
Thur 29th Nov	All day	Dress as you please day
Fri 30th Nov		PTFA Christmas Fair
Tue 18th Dec	Pm	Pantomime for pupils
Wed 19th Dec	3.30-4.30pm	KS1 disco (PTFA)
Wed 19th Dec	4.45-6.00pm	KS2 disco (PTFA)
Thur 20th Dec		School Christmas lunch
Thur 20th Dec		Father Christmas visits Kings Worthy
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