

Kings Worthy

Primary School

Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Have a holly, jolly Christmas!

Perhaps the miracle of Christmas has befallen all of the children at Kings Worthy this year, as we are yet to have a positive Covid case in school. There are not many primary schools in Hampshire that can lay claim to this feat. Simply amazing!

Should one of your children who attend receive a positive test over the Christmas break, please could you email the school on adminoffice@kingsworthy.hants.sch.uk to let us know the name of the child, their class and the date that he or she first displayed symptoms of Covid. We will monitor this email account throughout the holiday as we are required to report any cases to the DfE, and this will help us to ensure that we offer the correct advice deemed by Public Health England to be at risk through contact with the child in school. The biggest risk is through contact up to December 23rd but please let us know anyway.

You **do not** need to contact us regarding any other family member with a positive test outcome – only children from the school.

Please note that the self-isolation period for adults and children in contact with a person who has had a positive test outcome is now 10 days, and not 14. This applies with immediate effect, including anyone who is in the middle of a self-isolation period. Should your child be unable to return to school on January 4th due to self-isolating, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can organise home learning.

As it is now unlikely that I will receive any further guidance about changes to school procedures and safety until the beginning of January, I have made the decision to keep our staggered drop-off and pick-up times as they are for the first week back. If there are any significant changes that I am informed about during the Christmas period I will of course let you know through the school email system.

Lastly, I would like to wish each and every one of you a wonderful Christmas. For many of us, it is a year that we will be happy to leave behind us in so many ways. I would like to thank my fabulous team for pulling together so well these last few months, in dare I say, the phrase of the year, 'unprecedented times'. To you, the parents, for your unwavering support throughout the most difficult period of time any family has had to go through. And special mention, of course, to all of the children who have been world class since returning to school in September and working so hard every day. We will continue to do our very best for you and them in 2021.

Don't forget the Strictly final tomorrow – Hrvy (!) & Manrarararara to win!

Have a drink, have a mince pie, enjoy The Muppet Christmas Carol and whack on the Elvis Christmas album and all your troubles will likely fade away. I look forward to seeing everyone refreshed and raring to go on **Monday 4th January 2021.**



Christmas Gifts

Thank you so much for the donations of gifts that we received earlier this week. We were overwhelmed with how generous, as always, are school community is and how thoughtful people have been to think of others in a year that has been so difficult for us all. The gifts have been shared between Winchester and Basingstoke hospital, Southampton fostering and families within our own school community. Thank you again for your kindness.



School Christmas lunch

It was all hands on deck on Thursday lunchtime as all the adults in school helped out to serve Christmas dinner. This was a totally different experience to normal as we had to start so early to get all the year groups in and out of the hall with the Year 6 children having to wait quite awhile before they had lunch – not an ideal situation for any of them – although going last did include the benefits of having second and third helpings!

The children behaved brilliantly throughout the whole of the event and it was a pleasure to see all of the children eating, chatting and happy that Christmas is fast approaching.

Thank you to all the adults that gave up a huge chunk of their lunchtime to help.

A special mention must go out to Angela and her fabulous team who have adapted brilliantly these last few weeks so that our children can continue to enjoy the tremendous school dinners that they prepare each day. They are definitely the unsung heroes of the school team since March. Thank you so much ladies.



Spelling Shed

It has been great to see classes moving up and down the leader board this week. The final standings for this week are:

Top Classes

1st Place - 6C

2nd Place - Mr Abraham's Spelling Group

3rd Place - 6K

Individual

1st Place - Daisy, Year 3

2nd Place - Dylan F, Year 6

3rd Place - Freddie P-S, Year 6

The points between first and second place are very close! Keep using Spelling Shed over the Christmas holidays to continue to embed the spellings you have learnt so far. Mr Dodson is currently sitting in 10th place! Who thinks they'll be able to beat his score over the Christmas holidays? I look forward to seeing who will be in top of the leader board for the first time in 2021 (*written by Mrs Morgan*).

Santa's Visit

Thank you as always to the PTFA for arranging the recorded message from Santa and providing the gifts for every child in school. Hopefully, the great man will be able to return to the school site next year.



Christmas Jumper Donations

Thank you to everyone who made donations for the Christmas jumper day. We raised an amazing **£279.53** for Save the Children

Christmas performances

I know that parents of year R, 1 and 2 will have received links to the videoed performances from each year group. I hope that it brought a smile to your face. Well done to all of the children who took part and thank you to all the adults that helped put the performances together.

Year 3 - Winchester Cathedral

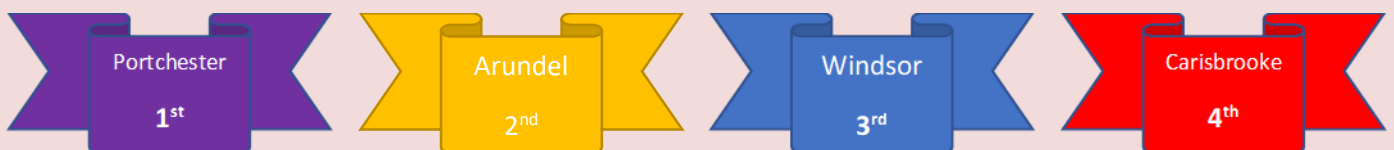
On Monday, we had a workshop and had two visitors from Winchester cathedral. They told us about Winchester's history. It was so interesting! Our first activity was to be archaeologists digging in the sand, but it was just sand in a tray. We found lots of things like a small gold cross and lots of coins and they had many detailed carvings. In order to be archaeologists, we had to record all the different artefacts and drew them down on a piece of paper. Then, we had a swap of tour guides and then we had to paint three spaces of gold ink on a letter P, but it wasn't a normal P, it was an Anglo-Saxon P. We chose 3 or 4 other colours that had to be colourful so it could illuminate the letter. After lunch, we had to make a stain glass window based on the west window! It looked so beautiful. It took a lot of listening, but we got there in the end! *(written by Daisy & Nadia – Y3)*



House Points – Week 13



House Points – Termly Placing



Jamie Dodson
Headteacher

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020/2021

AUTUMN TERM			
November			
Mon	2nd		INSET DAY
Tue	3 rd	11:00—15:00	School reopens for children Pumpkin walk (children only)
Wed	4 th		
Thu	5 th	All day	Year 4—Indian Dance Workshop
Fri	6 th	All day	Flu vaccination
Sun	8 th		Remembrance Sunday
Mon	9 th		
Tue	10 th	9.00am 6.00pm	Mark Making information session for Yr R parents Mark making information session for Yr R parents
Wed	11 th		World Science Day
Thu	12 th	All day	Year 3—Winchester Cathedral Workshop
Fri	13 th	All day	'Children in Need' non-uniform day
Mon	16 th		ANTI-BULLYING WEEK
Tue	17 th	1-3.00pm	Year 3/Year 4 School Football Competition (year group bubbles)
Wed	18 th		
Thu	19 st	1-3.00pm	Year 5/Year 6 School Tag Rugby Competition (year group bubbles)
Fri	20 th		
Mon	23 rd		
Tue	24 th	All day	School photos – main hall
Wed	25 th	All day	'No pens day' Wednesday
Thu	26 th		
Fri	27 th		
Mon	30 th		
December			
Tue	1 st		
Wed	2 nd		
Thu	3 rd		
Fri	4 th		'Dress as you please day' - PTFA
Mon	7 th		
Tue	8 th	All day	Year 4—Food Tasting
Wed	9 th		
Thu	10 th	All day	Year 1— 6 M&M Wizard of OZ
Fri	11 th		Christmas Jumper Day
Mon	14 th	All day	Year 3 Cathedral Workshop
Tue	15 th		
Wed	16 th		
Thurs	17 th		Christmas Lunch
Fri	18 th	1.15pm	END OF TERM
Christmas Holidays			
Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January			

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020/2021

SPRING TERM			
January			
Mon	4 th		School reopens for children
Tue	5 th		
Wed	6th	All Day	Year 4 Stone Age Day
Thu	7 th	am	Parent/helper information for reading volunteers
Fri	8 th		
Mon	11 th		Clubs start (10 weeks → Friday 26 th March)
Tue	12 th		
Wed	13 th		Termly newsletters distributed
Thu	14 th		
Fri	15 th	9.15am	5A class assembly
Mon	18 th		Reading volunteers to start this week
Tue	19 th	1.30 to 3pm	Year 1/2 School Gym/Dance Competition
Wed	20 th		
Thu	21 st		
Fri	22 nd		
Mon	25 th		'500 words' assembly launch
Tue	26 th		
Wed	27 th		
Thu	28 th	1.30 to 3pm	Year 2/3 School Football Fun Competition
Fri	29th		INSET DAY (3) – COMMON CLOSURE DAY
February			
Mon	1 st		Children's Mental Health Week
Tue	2 nd		
Wed	3 rd	7.00pm	Parents' Meeting (Year 6) – SATs
Thu	4 th		
Fri	5 th	9.15am	2S class assembly
Mon	8 th		
Tue	9 th		Safer Internet Day
Wed	10 th	1-2.30pm	Year 5/6 School Basketball Competition
Thu	11 th	1-2.30pm	Year 3/4 School Netball Competition
Fri	12 th	9.15am	6K class assembly
BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM			
HALF TERM			
Monday 15 ^h – Friday 19 th February			

Mon	22 nd		School reopens for children
Tue	23 rd	All week (3.30pm – 4.00pm)	Book Fair
Wed	24 th		
Thu	25 th	1-3pm	Year 3-6 School Exhibition Sports Matches
Fri	26 th		
March			
Mon	1 st	3.50-6.50pm	Book Week Parent Interviews (1)
Tue	2 nd		
Wed	3 rd		
Thu	4 th	3.50-6.50pm	WORLD BOOK DAY – theme to be confirmed Parent Interviews (2)
Fri	5 th		
Mon	8 th	3.05pm	Oratory Cup launch
Tue	9 th		
Wed	10 th		
Thu	11 th		
Fri	12 th	9.00am	Mother's Day Share-a-story
Mon	15 th		
Tue	16 th		
Wed	17 th		
Thu	18 th		
Fri	19 th	All day	Red Nose Day
Mon	22 nd		Oratory Cup performances in classes Last week of clubs
Tue	23 rd		
Wed	24 th		
Thu	25 th		
Fri	26 th	9.15am pm	6C class assembly Oratory Cup Final
Mon	29 th		
Tues	30 th	9.15am	Y3/4 Dress rehearsal
Wed	31 st	9.15am 2.45pm	Y3/4 Easter performance (1) Y3/4 Easter performance (2)
April			
Thu	1 st	1.15pm	END OF TERM
Fri	2 nd		GOOD FRIDAY
Easter Holidays Friday 2nd April – Friday 16th April			

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SUMMER TERM			
April			
Mon	19th		INSET DAY (4)
Tue	20 th		School re-opens for children
Wed	21 st		
Thu	22 nd		
Fri	23 rd		
Mon	26 th		Clubs start (10 weeks → Friday 9 th July)
Tue	27 th		
Wed	28 th		Termly newsletters distributed
Thu	29 th		
Fri	30 th		KS1 SATS test period (throughout May)
May			
Mon	3 rd		MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY
Tue	4 th		
Wed	5 th		
Thu	6 th		
Fri	7 th	9.15am	1W class assembly
Mon	10 th		Year 6: KEY STAGE 2 SATS
Tue	11 th		
Wed	12 th		
Thu	13 th		
Fri	14 th	9.15am 3.30-7.30pm	4S class assembly PTFA Summer Festival
Mon	17 th		
Tue	18 th	6.15pm	Parents' Meeting Year 6 residential
Wed	19 th		
Thu	20 th		
Fri	21 st	9.15am	3M class assembly
Mon	24 th		
Tue	25 th	1-3pm	Year 1/2 School Football Rounders Competition
Wed	26 th		
Thu	27 th	1-3pm	Year 4-6 School Cricket Competition
Fri	28 th	9.15am 3.30pm	Rabbits class assembly BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
HALF TERM			
Monday 31st – Friday 4th June			

June			
Mon	7 th		INSET DAY (5)
Tue	8 th		School reopens for children
Wed	9 th	All week 6.15pm	WHOLE SCHOOL ART WEEK Parents' Meeting - Year 5 Camp
Thu	10 th		
Fri	11 th	9.15am	5R class assembly
Mon	14 th		Healthy Living Week Year 1 Phonics screening check week
Tue	15 th		
Wed	16 th		
Thu	17 th	All day	Sports Day (including family picnic)
Fri	18 th	9.15am 9.00am	1H class assembly Father's Day 'Share-a-story' (Father's Day Sunday 20 th June)
Mon	21 st		
Tue	22 nd		
Wed	23 rd		
Thu	24 th		
Fri	25 th	9.15am	Hedgehogs class assembly Year 5 Camp (overnight until Saturday 20 th)
Sat	26 th		Year 5 Camp
Mon	28 th		
Tue	29 th		
Wed	30 th	am	'Shuffle Up' morning
July			
Thu	1 st		
Fri	2 nd	9.15am	3A class assembly
Mon 5 th – Fri 9 th			Year 6 residential
Mon	5 th		
Tue	6 th		
Wed	7 th		
Thu	8 th		
Fri	9 th	9.15am	Annual reports to parents 2W class assembly
Mon	12 th		Last week of clubs
Tue	13 th	All day	Year 6 leavers day event
Wed	14 th	12.30pm 3.45pm – 5.00pm	School Council Thank you lunch Open evening for current parents
Thu	15 th	All Day	Sports Day (alternative date)
Fri	16 th	9.15am 5.00-10.30pm	4B class assembly PTFA – Woodland Wonderland Evening
Mon	19 th		
Tue	20 th	7.00-9.00pm	End of year production 1 (Hope Church Winchester)
Wed	21 st	7.00-9.00pm	End of year Production 2 (Hope Church Winchester)
Thu	22 nd	9.15am pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly – school House Rounders Competition (Year 6)
Fri	23 rd	9.15am 1.15pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly – parents (tea and coffee available afterwards) END OF TERM