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Be The Best You Can Be

Dear Parents and Carers

Year 5 Winchester Science Centre Trip

In Science this term, Year 5 are learning all about Earth and Space and on Tuesday we went on an incredible trip to the Winchester Science Museum to explore our topic further. The children got to partake in a workshop, explore the exhibits and see the world from a whole new perspective in the planetarium! In the workshop, we learnt all about amazing space technology like the James Webb Telescope, solved laser puzzles, experimented which colours absorb heat the least and most and even got to try on some light diffraction glasses which when light hits the lenses, it bends and breaks into its component colours - which looks like rainbows are surrounding the lights in the room. We also got to visit the planetarium and went on an immersive journey through our Solar System. The children loved investigating and exploring the exhibits, including seeing themselves on the infrared camera and being within the Ames illusion room.

Year 5 were an impeccable example of how amazing our school is and represented our school values throughout the day. Miss Van Tuyl, Mrs Smallwood and all of the adults on the trip were so proud of each and every one of the children!



'It was quite fun because there was a lot of space things downstairs!' – Nat, 5S
'I want to go on that school trip again! It was fun!' – Ada, 5VT
'The planetarium was my favourite because I've never done anything like it before' – Annabelle, 5S
'When we were at the planetarium, it felt like I was flying! – Brodie, 5VT
(written by Miss Van Tuyl)

Time to Shine!

On Friday 24th November, we are taking part in Hampshire County Council's 'Time to Shine Day'. The aim of the day is to raise awareness of the importance of being seen when walking or cycling by roads, especially during the darker evenings.



We would like you to come to school wearing your brightest/reflective

accessories. These may be hair accessories, socks, stickers, bands, vests etc (school uniform is still required). We look forward to seeing how bright you can be! There will be a prize for the brightest in each class!

BE BRIGHT BE SEEN!

Maths Week England – 13th – 17th November 2023

Next week at Kings Worthy, we will be celebrating Maths Week England.

Here are a few reminders for you:



School Maths Market Sale

On Friday 17th November, if your child is in Year 3 to 6, they are allowed to bring some money into school to buy products at the Maths Market Sale. Please can they bring money in small denominations (e.g. 10p, 20p, 50p). The suggested amount is around £5 but please use your discretion.

Competitions:

Year R only

Can you find the number 4 in the world? Keep an eye out for number four as you go about your week. Can you find 4 leaves

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sitting on the ground together? Can you find 4 flowers in a vase or growing in the garden? Can you find 4 cars parked together? Upload photos of your 4s that you can find to tapestry and the most creative '4' will be chosen as a winner! If you are entering, photos must be submitted by **Thursday 16th November**.

Year 1 and 2 only

MathShed

We're celebrating Maths Week England by taking part in a Math Shed competition. The competition runs from **Monday 13th November** to **Thursday 16th November**. It's all done online via mathshed.com Can you be the individual winner or class winner who wins the most points?

Year 3 to 6 only



We're celebrating Maths Week England by taking part in a friendly times tables (and division) competition. The competition runs from 07:30am on **Tuesday 14th November** to 19:30 on **Thursday 16th November**. It's all done online via play.ttrockstars.com.

Rules:

Children can play in any game mode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class and the school a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a daily 60-minute limit (see below)). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

To support player wellbeing, there is a daily time limit of **60-minutes per player**. In other words, each player can earn competition points for up to 60-minutes between **07:30 and 19:30** from Tuesday 14th November to Thursday 16th November. Once the player goes beyond 60-minutes of play on that day, they will still earn coins but will no longer earn points towards the competition.

In the spirit of the competition, please don't play on their behalf but by all means encourage and support them to the extent that it doesn't cause high stress levels or impact on family plans.

If you have any questions, please ask your child's class teacher or Mrs Smyth (6S).

We are looking forward to a really exciting week!

Children in Need 2023

This year, Children in Need is on Friday 17th November. We are planning on going SPOTacular! Children are invited to come into school wearing something with spots on, yellow or official CiN merchandise! Please make sure they have suitable warm clothing for the time of year, and footwear that is safe for school. This year, one of Children in Need's focuses is on positive relationships and the importance of these as children grow up, particularly on mental health. We will discuss these and watch some of the stories shared: <u>https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/</u>celebrating-positive-relationships/



Please help us to raise for Children in Need with a donation of your choice. If you would like to make an online donation please do so via this <u>link</u>.

Spelling Shed

4R are holding onto their position at the top of the leader board for another week. Great job 4R.

Well done to our individuals leaders – Vladyslav, Charles and Faith – fantastic work this week!

Happy spelling!

<u>Classes</u>

1st Place – 4R 2nd Place – 2C 3rd Place – 4D <u>Individuals</u> 1st Place – Vladyslav, Year 4 2nd Place – Charles, Year 4 3rd Place – Faith, Year 6 (written by Mrs Cowling)

Maths Shed

At the start of this half term, the first battle for the top of the Maths Shed leader board has been close. **4R** and **2C** have both finished with just over 10,000,000 points which shows how hard they have been working! Well done to the individual winners! Can **you** make it the top next week?

<u>Classes</u>

 1^{st} Place – 4R 2^{nd} Place – 2C 3^{rd} Place – 6S

<u>Individuals</u>

 1^{st} Place – Vlad C, Year 4 2^{nd} Place – Faith G, Year 6 3^{rd} Place – Max S, Year 2

(written by Mrs Smyth)

PTFA Autumn Disco

Oh what a night! It was the Autumn Disco last night and we raised a whopping £1000 profit! Thank you to all those who purchased tickets! A special thank you to all the volunteers (without you we can not make these events happen) and the teachers who led the way with their dance moves and enthusiasm. The kids had a brilliant time!

Don't forget to follow the Kings Worthy PTFA on our new Instagram page for all photos, updates and announcements <u>@kings_worthy_primary_ptfa</u>

School lunch bookings

The option to book or change lunch choices on the day in the classroom is being removed next week, so we politely ask that you book your child's lunch at least by midnight the night before via the SCOpay App or website. Even better, you can book in advance and duplicate the week's to save you time going in to each day individually. Please see the following guide on how to do this; https://scopay.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/SCOPAY/ pages/32243727/SCO+Mobile+App+Video+Help

From next week, if there is no lunch choice booked in on SCOpay, we will assume that your child has brought in a packed lunch from home.

Here are the school lunch menu's which run through until March 2024; https://www.hants.gov.uk/ educationandlearning/hc3s/education-catering/primary

We kindly ask that you discuss these choices with your child so they are aware of what they will be eating. We hope you will find the pictoral menus particularly useful. Thank you for your support.

