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A message from Mrs Bone, Deputy Headteacher

We have been blessed with a number of visitors to school this week in order to enrich the children's learning. Year 2 enjoyed a workshop about The Great Fire of London; this was a fabulous chance for the children to be part of the story and imagine what it may have felt like to have been a number of different and important characters. Year 3 and Year 6 attended an anti-racism workshop on Thursday; this is our second year of working with the Panda anti-racism team who were finalists in the 2021 National Diversity Awards. The children explored a range of age appropriate issues including how to recognise and tackle racism and about how the judgments about a person's appearance, height, weight, skin colour or beliefs impact on others.

We had a fantastic start to Thursday with 5R class assembly. The children wrote the assembly themselves and shared their learning with passion and pride. Congratulations to all the children and many thanks to all the parents who were able to attend in order to celebrate the children's successes. It is a busy time for all children in Year 5 with swimming lessons on Thursdays. The teaching team have already seen enormous progress in their confidence and skills. Children in Year 6 are also continuing with their swimming lessons on Wednesdays; they too are both enjoying the sessions and becoming stronger swimmers. Well done to them!

Thank you for your continued support of the school and we are looking forward to welcoming you to school on Friday 02 February as part of National Storytelling week. Remember to bring your child's favourite book! I hope you have a lovely weekend and enjoy invaluable family time.

Premises Update

As of Thursday this week we are pleased to announce that we have signed off on the additional power source for part of the new heating system.

The heating system is now fully operational as intended, therefore no additional heating sources are being used risking power shortages. We will continue to monitor the situation.

Thank you once again for your patience in this matter.

Things to Remember

Year 4 - It is PE block week next week (29.01.24 - 02.02.24). The children will need to bring their outdoor PE kit to school on Monday along with a mouth guard and shin pads for Tag Rugby.

Dates for the Diary

30.01.24 - Y5 Living History Workshop
29th - 2nd Feb - National Storytelling week
01.02.24 - Y6 Journalism Workshop
02.02.24 - Reading Session with parents
05.02.24 - Open Classrooms
06.02.24 - Safer Internet Day
08.02.24 - 1M Class Assembly
09.02.24 - Y6 Magistrates Visit
12th-16th Feb - Half Term
19.02.24 - Development day - NO SCHOOL

ACHIEVEMENTS

Learning Award

RB Joshua-Lee J, RG Eva E, 1A Summer N, 1M Joshua MA, 2H Jagger T, 2K Niamh C, 3B Maisie D, 3G Eddie W, 4C Luna B, 4P Sebastian R, 5N Oliver S, 5R Charlie R, 6C Harry P, 6L Liam W

Values Award

RB Arthur G, RG Gracie B, 1A Fearne B, 1M Tommy R, 2H Idara I, 2K Sophie M, 3B Oliver R, 3G Lottie W, 4C Max T, 4P Madonna P, 5N Tanish K, 5R Bonnie R, 6C Jack B, 6L Abhinav J



This term's AR Award is for the most well-presented class library.

This week the trophy goes to
The Reception Classes

House Points

Beckett	1838
Dickens	1750
Churchill	1776
Harvey	1809
Holmes	1720
Shakespeare	1669

**CONGRATULATIONS TO
BECKETT
This week's Winners**

School News

If you would like to purchase a school water bottle or a mouth guard these will now only be available to purchase via Scopy from next week. This is due to us becoming a cashless school.

Drop off: We are seeing an increased amount of children coming into school via the school office. Please can we remind you that children should be coming into school via the playground and into class. Gates open at 08.40 and close at 08.50.

Any children that come into school via the office **MUST** be signed in by a parent/guardian, regardless of the time. This is due to safeguarding and ensuring that we have a written record of all children on site. If you wish to speak to a member of staff, a prior appointment **MUST** be made, as staff are extremely busy in the mornings and will be unavailable at short notice. Please remember that you can email yearx@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk. All child appointments e.g. medical are to be emailed in advance to absence@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk along with an appointment card or screen shot of the appointment. Where possible, we ask that these are outside of school hours please.

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Year 3 & Year 4 Tournament WINNERS:

1 st 4C - 25,941	1 st Thomas C - 4C
2 nd 4P - 12,499	2 nd Elsie B - 4C
3 rd 3B - 6,471	3 rd Beatrice S - 3B

Year 5 & Year 6 Tournament WINNERS

1 st 5N - 7,801	1 st Lara C - 6C
2 nd 5R - 6,509	2 nd Lily H - 5R
3 rd 6C - 6,164	3 rd Henry N - 5N

School Library

Mrs Mummery, our Librarian, has been very busy in the library introducing lots of new ideas and incentives to support the children with **reading** for pleasure.

Each term a new author will be put on display along with a selection of their books.

We have a book review folder for the children to talk about their favourite books.

We also have book recommendations from our teachers to inspire the children.



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Athletics at the Stour Centre KS2

The children were a credit to the school. On the day, children listened attentively to the instructions and performed brilliantly! As the leader said, without their support, we wouldn't have finished on time. They were showing all the school values: supporting each other and children from other schools - showing that Kingsnorth play an active role in the wider community. Well done! You should be so proud!



Year 2 Learning

The children enjoyed a fantastic History/Drama workshop this week. It was provided by Divergent Drama who came in to help us get into role as we recapped the events of The Great Fire of London. The children got to act out many parts from the actual fire to Samuel Pepys! It was so much fun and they really enjoyed being able to share their knowledge in this creative way. Thank you so much to the PFA for donating the money for us to be able to experience this.



Author of the Week

Well done to Josie K in 6C who is one of our
BBC 500 word 1st round winners



The window looked out on the golden corn field that swayed gently in the breeze, as if whispering secrets to the wind. Behind that, a vast wilderness with all sorts of strange and wonderful animals and plants thriving there. From the outside, a bed, dressing table, mirror and pictures hung in the room, all deserted. The tall, happy owner of this was with her 7 siblings making breakfast.

An African hunting dog trod stealthily through the undergrowth, searching for any sign of food. Abandoned by his pack, he couldn't hunt at all easily. Sooner or later he would kill his prey, sooner or later he would find a home.

Lucy was the oldest out of the siblings. Dad left so Lucy had to look after her 7 siblings. "Stop howling Fred." Instructed Lucy.

"It wasn't me." Fred-the-liar was finally telling the truth. The kitchen door- which was fairly light-swung open leaving the paint on the wall behind it peeling off. Lucy's face determined and eyes focused on the task at hand, didn't notice the force of the door opening.

Eggs. Food. Chicken? Howling was no problem for him so he let it echo around the room again. A toddler froze. He walked on leaving the miserable child crying. He walked to the middle of the room, picked up an egg and left.

Lucy's pale blue eyes searched the room for any trace of suspicion. It was gone but behind her dark brown wavy hair, she could see that Fred was upset. When he was happy, she walked into the garden. Something had moved. hadn't it?

He jumped up on a cold, bare rock, his feet numb because of the jump and the coldness off the rock. He stepped out of the shadows, his jaws clearly visible in his body outlines. A girl screamed and dropped her book.

It looked like he would disembowel Lucy. She barely stood up, baring her pocket knife in front of her. How long had she been frightened by these monsters? Quite dangerously, she slashed the air in front of her long, flowing dress, only to find the African Hunting Dog had not moved from his spot on the rock. In fact, it had sat down.

Once she had calmed down, he jumped off the rock towards the girl. Crushing corn in his path, his delicate feet found the ground and walked closer. Now she had sat down, he was safe. "Painter." Called a voice from behind a book. The owner of the voice looked up and said "You look like a Painter." Painter, he thought, I like that.

The next few days Lucy spent leaping with Painter in the corn field by her side all the time. At night time though, he stayed outside with his pack. They had found him at last after that dreadful sand which tore them apart in the first place. They had hunted him down with love. Lucy's and Painter's close relationship is a secret in the human world but not in Painter's