

Kingsnorth

Church of England Primary School

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A message from Mr Witts, Executive Headteacher

Welcome back to Term 5.

I hope you have all had a restful Easter Break. It is lovely to come back to some warmer, sunnier days!

It has been fantastic to see all of the children in their smart school uniform, I hope we can keep this throughout the term.

Week 1 and we have had STEM Week (Science-Technology-Engineering-Maths).

The children have had a great time with science experiments in class, learning about a variety of STEM pioneers and having the Science Workshops on Thursday. We really hope the children have been inspired and enthused to learn more and continue their learning.

Primary school offers for Sept 2024 were sent out this week and we are so pleased to see so many new children starting our school for next year.

Term 5 is a really busy one in school, with SATS for Year 6, Residential for Year 4 and Sports Week for the whole school.

Please keep a look out for dates and information on the weekly newsletters.

We thank you and hope parents/families continue to support the school with our car parking in the morning, to keep our community safe on our roads.

Please remember that the Drop Off is not a waiting or parking space – it is for Drop off ONLY.

Dates for the Diary

23.04.24 - Phonics Parent Workshop Y1
25.04.24 - Phonics Parent Workshop Y1
25.04.24 - Parent Forum @ 6pm
26.04.24 - YR School Trip to Kent Life
01.05.24 - YR Vision & Hearing NHS check
02.05.24 - 3B Class Assembly
W/C 13.05.24 - Year 5 Bikeability
15th - 17th May - Y4 Kingswood Residential
16.05.24 - Year 3 Kingswood Trip

ACHIEVEMENTS

Learning Award

RB Lena-Rose D, RG Charlie H, 1A Jason A, 1M Harry S, 2H Amelia BH, 2K Yanny R, 3B Hattie M, 3G Elizabeth M, 4C Primrose A, 4P Elmira W, 5C Phoebe R, 5N Bradley W, 6C Alfie W, 6L Summer H

Values Award

RB Bonnie A, RG Nathan C, 1A Carter S, 1M Benjamin R, 2H Josie L, 2K Amanah J, 3B David K, 3G Uma H, 4C Emerson C, 4P Jemima F, 5C Lucie T, 5N Toby B & Noah E, 6C Thomas D, 6L Louie A

Reading Certificate

RB Arthur G, RG Joshua T, 1A Freya H, 1M Amelia-Rose C, 2H Ellie H, 2K Henry S, 3B Thomas W, 3G Elodie G, 4C Elsie B, 4P Isabella R, 5C Deborah A, 5N Noah MA, 6C Amber A, 6L Isla H

Opal Award

3G Oliver J, 4C Ryan G

Librarian Award

Maddison and Gracie in 6L, for their commitment and support in keeping the library tidy.

House Points

Beckett	2953
Dickens	2783
Churchill	3098
Harvey	2909
Holmes	2783
Shakespeare	2795

CONGRATULATIONS TO
CHURCHILL
This week's Winners

Hot Chocolate Friday Award: for always following the school rules

YR - Everly GC Y1 - Alexis W
Y2 - Jess W Y3 - Oscar N
Y4 - Eibhlin M Y5 - Millie S
Y6 - Oliver BG

Things to Remember

Year 2 - It is PE block week (22.04.24 - 26.04.24). The children will need to wear their PE kit to school everyday.

As the warmer weather approaches please ensure your child comes to school with a named water bottle EVERY DAY. It is essential to avoid headaches and keep children hydrated.

School News

Ashford Library are hosting a 'Have fun reading workshop' on Tuesday 23rd April between 1-2.30pm. This is a FREE workshop exploring how to make reading stories more exciting for your child. Topics covered include using expressions, different voices for different characters, and words and phrases that work well in storytelling. Suitable for parents & carers of pre-school aged children. Children are welcome to join in the fun! Booking is essential via bit.ly/AshfordLibrary-HaveFunReading-Bookings

Nathaniel in 2H has been very busy over the last month completing walking challenges. He has climbed 24 Wainwrights and walked around 3 lakes during his trip to the Lake District, totalling 5,797 meters of climbing which is higher than Everest base camp! In addition to this, Nathaniel has also completed a '100 miles in 100 days challenge' and amazingly he completed this in half the time. Just 50 days! Well done Nathaniel. What amazing achievements! We wish him the best of luck for his next challenge of walking 280km in 100 days.



As you may have heard on local radio stations, Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance are desperately trying to raise funds to buy a new air ambulance. These helicopters can provide a lifesaving service in under 30 minutes.

To raise awareness of this appeal, we have been sent a competition for the children to enter, should they wish.

'We're excited to offer for the first time ever, primary school children in Kent, Surrey and Sussex the chance to name their local air ambulance and to leave a lasting legacy. Our judging panel are on the look out for the perfect name that will make our helicopter stand out among the clouds.'

To enter – Please think of a suitable name and the reason or background as to why you have chosen it and send it into school on a piece of paper. The closing date is Friday 24th May 2024 and winners will be announced by KSS Air Ambulance on 3rd June 2024.

Please send in any entries on a named piece of paper FAO – Mrs Amos.

The winning prize – The winning name and school will be displayed on the helicopter, a helicopter fly over the school, a KSS paramedic and mascot visit to school and publicity for the school on social media!

Runners up – a visit from a paramedic and the mascot and a fly over.

The competition is free to enter – however, if you would like to give a donation to take part and help raise the 1Million pound target then please visit <https://aakss.org.uk/>



STEM week

Rocket Mice



5N have been enjoying our STEM week. We have learnt about the human brain, undertaken an investigation and created art work to show the connections our brains make when we learn something new. The children have used technology to present their understanding and even used AI to look at a human brain in the classroom. We have focused on Statistics in Maths and created tables to share our results. A fantastic week of curiosity and exploration.





Author of the Week



In Year 4 we have been creating TEDtalks to convince adults how important it is to look after our world. Edie has written a very persuasive, clear speech that she also delivered brilliantly in class. Well done Edie, this is such an important topic.

Friday 15th March 2024

Are you aware of water pollution?

100 million marine animals die each year from plastic waste alone. In fact, 100,000 marine life die from getting entangled in plastic, yearly. Welcome, today I'll be talking about water pollution and how it affects our planet.

Water pollution is when waste, chemicals or other particles can become harmful to animals that need water to survive. ~~Water~~ Contaminated water can disrupt or negatively impact nature's water cycle as well.

Sometimes water pollution can occur through natural causes such as slits from serious storm or frightful floods, awful algae blooms, ~~vicious~~ vicious volcanoes and acrid animal waste. However, most of water pollution comes from human activity. Some human causes include smelly sewage, precarious pesticides and foul fertilizers from factorys, severe slits from construction sites, toxic trash and revolting rubbish.

Air pollution can affect water pollution as well. When particulates like sulfur dioxide is elevated high in the air, they can combine with rain to produce acid rain. Acid rain can turn lakes acidic, killing the marine life that live in the lake. You may think that's ok, but it's not!

Some famous water pollution problems are oil spills. One includes the Exxon Valdez oil spill which occurred when an oil tanker hit a reef on the coast of Alaska and over 11 million gallons of oil spilled into the ocean. Another bad oil spill was when an explosion at an oil well. It caused over 200 million gallons to spill into the gulf of Mexico.

To try and ~~solve~~ solve water pollution you can save a bit of water. Fresh clean water is precious. Don't waste it. Take shorter showers and definitely don't leave your tap running. Scrape your plates clean into the bin and don't put grease into the drain. Always pick up your litter especially when at the beach, lake or river.