

## End of the School Year

Dear Parents/Carers

Wow – where has the year gone? It doesn't seem two minutes since we were welcoming everyone back from the summer break and settling into new routines and new classes! It has been a very busy year, I am sure I say that every year! We are already planning dates into our diaries for next summer!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone at school for their hard work, support and smiles. It really is a team effort that helps bring everything together, whether that is sports day, discos, Year 6 events, accreditations or keeping the school running each and every day. The site team, admin staff, caterers, support staff, teachers, leadership team and the Governors, all pull together to ensure that our children can have the best opportunities on offer.

### School Successes

As mentioned, it has been busy this year. We had Ofsted visit us in April and judge the school as sill Good. This is a huge achievement for everyone concerned and public validates what we know about our school.

We were awarded the Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA). This was the culmination of a lot of hard work from the Admin team and FLO, thank you for all you do for our children. This links very closely with the Inclusion Quality Mark (IQM) Flagship Status we were awarded, highlighting all the work we do to support inclusion across our school. We were also awarded the Green Schools Gold Award, celebrating our efforts in making our planet a better place. This just highlights the amount of work continuously going on in school.

At our recent sports days, it was a privilege to see all of the children taking part in the events. Special congratulations go to KS1 House Winners Harvey, KS2 House Winners Beckett and overall Sports Day House Winners Beckett.

Thank you to all the mums and dads, families and friends that came out to support the children! They really do appreciate it.

Other notable successes for our Year 6 children for our Year 6 Awards:

CUP	WINNER
Holland Award for Performing Arts	Summer Hooper
The Chappell Cup for Citizenship	Izzie Martin
The Filmer Cup for Endeavour	Maisy Biggin
The Denyer Award for Creative Writing	Lara Clarke
Girls' Sport Award	Elsie Hills
Boys' Sport Award	Oliver Burch-Gull
Outstanding Sportsperson	Ethan Linkins
Ambassador Shield	Lily Hunt
Lovell Award for Most Improved in Maths	Riley Woodin

### Staffing Changes

As we head into the summer, we note some staff changes. This is always inevitable when we work with such a large team, but each and every person leaving will be missed from our school community.

With a heavy heart we say goodbye to Mrs Bone who has gained promotion to headship, Mrs Green who has gained promotion to Deputy Head, Mrs Childs who has another teaching role and Miss Crumbie who will be working at Brenzett, not too far away! We also say farewell to Miss Hawkins and Miss Capeling as they continue their work with children and wish them all the very best for their future adventures.

This means some changes in school with Miss Moore becoming Acting Deputy Head /SENCO from September, Mrs Hunt becoming our Lower School Team Leader & Class Teacher, welcoming back Mr Taylor who has the position Class Teacher, Mrs Field will become a teacher in Year 2 and Mrs Knight returns as Class Teacher from Maternity Leave. We wish all our new staff (and babies) a very warm welcome to the Kingsnorth family and hope you get to meet them after the summer break.

### End of year activities

Thank you so much to all those who have helped with the array of activities in the recent weeks, especially staff and PFA! Starting back with the Fun Run and Sports Day, school trips and residentials for Year 4 and

Year 6, PFA with all our open school events, turning up to support and provide refreshments - Frozen Fridays and the Year 6 Leavers Party, Year 6 Production (which was awesome!) and the Leavers Service.

None of these events are quick and easy to arrange! They take many hours of people's own time and a huge amount of energy. On behalf of **all** of the children at Kingsnorth – Thank-you!

### Classes for next year

Your Current Class	Your New Class
New Year R intake grouped following recommendations and suggestions from Pre Schools	RH – Mrs Hunt – Shireen
	RB - Miss Bate – Jeffers
RG - Mrs Green – Shireen	1A - Mrs Amos - Donaldson
RB - Miss Bate – Jeffers	1M - Mrs Maund - Gray
1A - Mrs Amos - Donaldson	2F – Mrs Field – Byron
1M - Mrs Maund - Gray	2K – Miss Keeling – Dahl
2H – Mrs Hunt – Byron	3B – Miss Bowman – Blackman
2K – Miss Keeling – Dahl	3G – Miss Gore – Percival
3B – Miss Bowman – Blackman	4T – Mr Taylor – Riordan
3G – Miss Gore – Percival	4P – Mrs Potts – Coelho
4C – Miss Crumbie – Riordan	5N – Mrs Nock – Sachar
4P – Mrs Potts – Coelho	5P – Mrs Knight – Rundell
5C – Mrs Childs – Rundell	6L – Mrs Lauchlan – Jackson
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6L – Mrs Lauchlan – Jackson	

New Year R class lists have been shared with parents and the children have had the opportunity to be in these classes and meet the adults. The Year R staff team have worked very hard to create the best balance across the two classes for all children. As in many years previous, we may mix the Year R classes as they go into Year 1, once they have settled and spent a year in school we often find the balance and dynamics change.

We are so pleased that our new teachers have been in school, met staff and most importantly had time to spend with their new classes during transition days last week. We hope the children found this opportunity useful to get to know them and start to build relationships before the end of the school year.

If I do not manage to see you or speak to you, please have a safe and peaceful summer holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on Wednesday 04 September 2023.

Yours sincerely,

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