

14th September 2024 - No. 499

ACHIEVEMENTS

Learning Award

1A - Grace H	1M - Noah B
2F - Tilly R	2K - Xavier A
3B - Ahan S	3G - Oliver B
4P - Daisy D	4T - Isabelle P
5K - Ruby W	5N - David AJ
6C - Bonnie R	6L - Jessica D

Value Award

1A - Nathan C	1M - Maisie T
2F - Sophie R	2K - Elliana G
3B - Tegh R	3G - Grace S
4P - Ethan M	4T - George P
5K - Bella R	5N - Grace-Faith MW
6C - Jack S	6L - Henry N

Opal Award

4P Ethan Menzel

House Points

Beckett
Dickens
Churchill
Harvey
Holmes
Shakespeare

House Points will start next week

Hot Chocolate Friday

- Year 1 - Jaden O
- Year 2 - Carter S
- Year 3 - Luna D
- Year 4 - Jessica J
- Year 5 - Edie B
- Year 6 - Jack S



Dates for the Diary

23.09.24 - KS1 Parent Reading Workshop @ 2pm in the school hall
 23 - 27th September - Year 6 PGL Residential to Isle of Wight
 30.09.24 - KS2 Parent Reading Workshop @ 2pm in the school hall
 03.10.24 - School Photos
 07.10.24 - KS1 Parent Maths Workshop @ 2pm in the school hall
 11.10.24 - Non School Uniform day
 11.10.24 - PFA School Disco
 14.10.24 - KS2 Parent Maths Workshop @ 2pm in the school hall
 17.10.24 - Year 2 Harvest Festival
 18.10.24 - PFA Year R Story Time @ 4.30 - 5.30pm in the school hall
 22.10.24 - Parent Consultations 15.30-18.00
 23.10.24 - Parent Consultations 16.00-19.00
 28 October - 1st November - HALF TERM
 02.11.24 - PFA Fireworks night - 5pm - 7.30pm
 04.11.24 - Staff Development Day - NO SCHOOL
 12.11.24 - Flu Vaccinations' in school
 15.11.24 - Children in Need
 15.11.24 - PFA Swiftie Disco
 21.11.24 - 3G Class Assembly @ 9am in the school hall
 22.11.24 - PFA non-school uniform day

Donations

Our KS1 classrooms are looking for any donations the following items.

- plastic infant toys, especially any shape sorters
- metal cars - small 'hotwheels' style ones
- mens tshirts sized M and/or L for painting outdoor play
- any half used peat free compost / top soil

If you are having a sort out and are able to donate any of the above, it would be much appreciated. Any donations can be given the school office.

School News

It is with a very heavy heart that I am informing you that as a school we have begun the process of consulting on possible staff redundancies.

This is due to the historic underfunding in schools, continued reduction in school budgets and continued rising costs.

I wish to stress from the outset that this is only a proposal at this point.

We appreciate that this is a very difficult time for those concerned and we pray for peace during this time.

I am sure you will join with us in living out our school values of compassion and community.

School Timings

08.35 - Gates open

08:40 - Class doors open

08.45 - Gates close

08.45 - Class Registration

08.55 - 09.00 - Child will receive a late mark, Parents **MUST** sign the child in and declare a school meal choice.

09.00 - onwards - child will receive an unauthorised absence mark for the morning session as per DFE guidance

Parking

Please be courteous and respectful when parking in and around the school. Please do not double park or park across driveways on Church Hill.

There is no parking in the drop off zone in the mornings under any circumstance. Please do not park on the yellow zig zags at the front of the school. This is all for the safety of *your* children who walk and cross the car park.



MCAS is now up and running, please ensure that you have logged in and checked the details are correct. Everyone should now have access. Links for priority 2 contacts will be issued shortly.

We will now be using this system for all payments i.e. breakfast club, after school club, all trips and extra-curricular clubs. You can now add credit to the account.

To view/pay for breakfast club and afterschool club on the app, please go to wraparound care and click on the enrolled tab to view.

Any future trips will be found in the trips tab.

Please can we ask that you go onto the parental consent section on your child's account to update the photo permissions. We have the school photographers coming in on the 3rd October and without permission they will not be able to take part.

Breakfast club and After School Club

From September, the school operates both clubs. Payments/bookings should be made via MCAS/Bromcom. Any new applications will not be accepted until we have received completed paperwork, which is available via the office or website.

Please look in the wraparound care section of your MCAS dashboard and pre book the sessions you require.

If you could then transfer the payment and drop an email to breakfastclub@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk or asc@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk to confirm the date and amount of the payment.

Our finance department will then advise us of vouchers received weekly (Friday), where we will then action and apply to your accounts.

We currently have voucher accounts with: Childcare tax free vouchers, Fideliti, National Savings, Computershare, Edenred, Bravo Benefits, Pluxee, Wider plan Ltd and Fair Care Childcare.

Please could we ask that you forward the 11 digit code from the childcare tax free vouchers, to allow us to match your payments. Part of the code that you provide forms part of the payment detail. Without the full code we are unable to match your payments. Childcare tax free vouchers = set up your account and apply by [clicking here](#).

Any queries please contact: breakfastclub@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk or asc@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk

We were unable to complete any pre testing on the system prior to the start of term, so could only problem solve in the moment, so wish to thank you all for your time and patience in the transfer of the new system.

Debts and credits from scopay are being applied to MCAS, however this is a manual process, line by line so it is taking time.



A message from Miss Moore, Acting Deputy Head and Senco

It has been really exciting to see the new Reception children starting school this week, welcome to the Kingsnorth family.

Since the start of term we have been recognising and reinforcing our school rules and values.

Be Ready, Be Respectful, and Be Safe, we value your support with these rules and taking the time to extend the explanation to the children about the expectations.

Hot Chocolate Friday has been very popular with the children, it is my pleasure to celebrate with the children and reward them for always following the rules.

The Rainbow room will continue to offer children opportunities to explore and develop their social, emotional and well-being needs. Mrs Denne will communicate with parents should their child access the rainbow room for a group session.

This week we have seen the first of our coffee mornings, this was delivered by Amy who is our key worker that works for the emotional wellbeing team. This coffee morning focused on anxiety, which provided parents with some strategies to manage anxiety. If you were unable to attend the coffee morning but would like the opportunity to attend one in the future please email office@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk and we will endeavour to arrange one. Please look out for key dates where we will place reminders of events coming up.



Welcome to our weekly PFA news where we will share information about upcoming events and fundraising! Our PFA team is a registered charity and is made up of enthusiastic parents and carers who support school by putting on exciting fundraising events for the children and their families! New members are ALWAYS welcome. Please email us at kingsnorthschoolpfa@gmail.com if you'd like to know more!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to class resources in our Back to School campaign. We have kept this live throughout the year as we know these donations are hugely appreciated in class. See Events in Classlist for details.

If you haven't yet signed up to Classlist you can do so here:



Please see attached our key dates for Terms 1 & 2. Fireworks tickets will be going on sale MONDAY (see Classlist events) and are available to Kingsnorth staff and families for the first week before going on general sale to the wider community.

We hope all the children have enjoyed Roald Dahl day today! Thank you to everyone who has joined in this fundraiser.

A Big warm welcome to our Year Rs who will start their full days from Monday. The PFA team will be outside school from 8.20am on Monday with the red carpet for a photo opportunity as we know this is a big day for them! (for safeguarding, please only take photos of your own child/ren).

Wishing all our staff and families a great weekend!

Abbie Self, PFA Chair and the PFA Team