

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

We have had a very busy and successful school year. Achieving the J1 in SIAMS, the OPaL Gold award, the Inclusion Quality Mark (IQM) Flagship School and Champion School status, and various external audits; all highlighting the hard work and effort that goes into support and inclusion across our school and community.

Thank you for all your support with OPaL donations across the year - supporting your children's understanding and providing the essential outdoor clothing needed.

At our recent sports days, it was a privilege to see all of the children taking part in the events. Special congratulations go to: **Harvey – winner of the overall trophy**

We are really very sorry that the final event could not be done with your attendance and support. We have changed the timetable and dates for next year to hopefully overcome the adversity of the British Weather!

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

CUP	WINNER
Holland Award for Performing Arts	Lottie Harland
The Chappell Cup for Citizenship	Dottie Pearson-Dare
The Filmer Cup for Endeavour	Sophie Chinna
The Denyer Award for Creative Writing	Ruby Wilson
Girls' Sport Award	Chelsey Chapman
Boys' Sport Award	Callum Robbins
Outstanding Sports person	Yusef Adelaja
Lovell Award for Most Improved in Maths	Primrose Avery
Ambassador Shield	Annie Harris

School Uniform Expectations

Ahead of the summer break, when thinking of uniform for September – **please REMEMBER** our school uniform policy – on the school website - www.kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk/school-uniform

NO trainers to be worn – unless as part of PE kit. Only red book bags due to limited space.

Please make sure that shorts and skirts are of a length to protect the dignity of your children.

No jewellery or make up. Earrings need to be removed by the child and will not be taken out by adults or 'taped up'. If you are considering piercing the ears of your child, please use the 6-week summer holiday as the perfect opportunity and to enable to be able to remove the studs themselves.

Classes for next year

Your Current Class	Your New Class
New Year R intake grouped following recommendations and suggestions from Pre Schools	Mrs Hunt – RH - Eric Carle Class
Mrs Hunt – RH – Carle Class	Mrs Field – RF - Rachel Bright Class
Mrs Field – RF – Bright Class	Mrs Amos – 1A - Julia Donaldson Class
Miss Bate – 1B – Jeffers Class	Miss Bate – 1B - Oliver Jeffers Class
Mrs Amos – 1A – Donaldson Class	Miss Keeling – 2K - Roald Dahl Class
Mrs Maund – 2M – Bryon Class	Mrs Maund – 2M - Nathon Bryon Class
Miss Keeling – 2K – Dahl Class	Miss Gore – 3Go - Joe Todd-Stanton Class
Mrs Hawkes – 3H – Rosen Class	Mrs Graham – 3Gr - Tom Fletcher Class
Mrs Graham – 3G – Fletcher Class	Miss Small – 4S - Nadia Shireen Class
Mrs Nock – 4N – Cowell Class	Mrs Nock – 4N - Cressida Cowell Class
Miss Small – 4S – Shireen Class	Mr Taylor – 5T - Matt Goodfellow Class
Mr Taylor – 5T – Goodfellow Class	Mrs Knight and Mrs Hardwick – 5KH – Katherine Rundell Class
Mrs Bowtell – 5B – Rundell Class	Mrs Lauchlan – 6L - MG Leonard Class
Mrs Lauchlan – 6L – Jackson Class	Miss Bowman and Mr Clark – 6BC - Michael Morpurgo Class
Mr Clark – 6C – Morpurgo Class	We wish Year 6 pupils all the very best as they prepare for their transition to secondary school and life beyond Kingsnorth! 😊

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. 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.

Mobile Phones

A firm reminder to Year 6 who bring mobile phones to school – including medical devices. Devices **must be** switched **off** and put away BEFORE coming on to the school site. Not following this safeguarding rule may mean phones are banned from site. Smart watches are **not allowed** at school for safeguarding reasons. Many secondary schools also follow this rule.

A reminder of behaviour and expectations when using mobile devices away from school. Children are still expected to follow our behaviour expectations and follow our school rules and school values. We are seeing an increasing number of incidents where children are behaving inappropriately using technology outside of school.

End of year activities

Thank you so much to all those who have helped with the array of activities across this school year, especially staff and PFA! Starting with school trips and residentials for Year 4 and Year 6, external visitors to school, including MAF last week, 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 of Shrek! (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!**

Emergency Holiday Contact

We hope that the summer holidays are an invaluable and precious time to spend with family and friends. We are also very mindful that the holidays can bring anxiety and the interruption to support from external agencies and support groups.

Please use the emergency email address below if any parent or family experience distress in the holiday and would like support from the school. The email account is monitored with a response from the following senior colleagues; Mrs Rich, Mr Witts, Miss Gillmore and Miss Moore. If your contact is not about an emergency issue, we will respond after the summer break.

holidaysupport@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk

You may also find the contact details of other support agencies of use as detailed below;

Agency Name	Phone contact	Email contact or website
Early Help	03000 41 03 05	AshfordEarlyHelp@kent.gov.uk
KCC Front Door	03000 41 91 91	social.services@kent.gov.uk
Social Services out of hours	03000 41 11 11	
NEFLT	Single Point of Access: 0800 011 3474 (9am-5pm, Mon-Fri) NELFT Mental Health Direct: 0800 995 1000 (urgent or out of hours support)	www.nelft.nhs.uk/services-kent-children-young-peoples-mental-health/
Kooth		https://www.kooth.com/
The Willow Family Hub	0300 418800	ashfordfamilyhubs@kent.gov.uk

We hope that you all have a happy, healthy and safe summer break, however if you need our support please do contact us. On the email above.

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 Thursday 03 September 2026.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Iain Witts
Executive Headteacher