

The Kingfisher School Newsletter 17th January 2024

Term 3: Issue 3



Dear Families

What a brilliant start we have had to term 3. The children have really enjoyed coming back into school and I have seen fantastic learning happening.

Thank you to everyone for being very welcoming and making it a smooth transition into the role of Acting Headteacher.

I want to welcome Claire Morgan to the admin team. Now, it is a little confusing but both of the ladies in the office are called Claire Morgan! It is great to have a full admin team again with Mrs Hughes.

We also welcome Jamal who is our new mentor he has been getting to know the children.

We have been focusing on walking around the school quietly and I am really pleased to see the children rising to the challenge.

The children have loved the play platform – it has made our lunchtime lots of fun. Just a reminder to not use it before or after school with the children. Also please can we remind children to walk their bikes/scooters in and out of school – we don't want any little ones being knocked over!

We also opened our nursery to 30 hours a week. If you are interested in a 30 hour place please let us know. If you are unsure then please see the office and we can advise.

Year 1 and 2 really enjoyed making their jam sandwiches as part of instructing writing.

Year 3, 4 and 5 have been learning about the digestive system using tights! They are looking forward to their workshop with the university of Bristol.

It was great to meet some of you at the Children's Centre coffee morning. They offer lots of great support so please use this great resource!

I hope you have a great end to the week. There is always a member of the Senior Leadership team on the main and Early Years gates so please come and say hello.

Shelley Flanagan Acting Headteacher

Parking

A polite reminder about parking outside of school, please make sure you are not blocking the road or people's driveways and that engines are turned off while you are waiting, to reduce fumes, which can affect children and adults who are arriving or leaving the school.

School Nurse Parent Coffee Morning

On Wednesday 24th January all parents are invited into the school at 9am for another parent coffee morning with the School Nurse - an opportunity to get advice on issues such as sleep, continence, healthy eating, behaviour or any other concerns. No need to book - just turn up. A flyer has already been emailed home.

Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day is Tuesday 6th February. In preparation for this an Officer from the Avon & Somerset Police Cyber Team will be delivering workshops to children and a separate workshop for parents and carers. The officer will be talking about online safety etc. The parent and carer workshop will run from 14.10—15.10. Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

Attendance

Regular attendance is essential for children's education and we like to see attendance consistently above 96.5%. A bouncy castle has been booked for anyone whose attendance is 96.5% or higher. Don't be disheartened if you've missed a few days, you have until 21st March to improve your attendance.

School Lunch Boxes

Please remember to keep your child's lunch box healthy, no chocolate or sweets, portion sizes e.g. 'sharing size' bags of crisps. **NO NUTS**, this includes Nutella bars and in sandwiches.

World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 7th March. The Book Fair will be in school on the week beginning Monday 5th February. Book tokens will be sent out to children and these can be used at the Book Fair.

Upcoming P. T. F. A. Events:

Tuesday 6th February—Valentine's Disco (Tickets available from Keeley Iles on the playground)

Tuesday 5th March—Family Bingo

Tuesday 26th March—Easter Bonnet / Basket making (children only)

Also the P. T. F. A. raised £383.00 at the Christmas Fair which brings the total raised so far this school year to £890.00.

Term Dates 2023/2024

Spring Term:

Half Term: Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February

Last Day of Term: Thursday 28th March

Bank Holidays: Friday 29th March (Good Friday)

Monday 1st April (Easter Monday)

Summer Term:

First day of term: Monday 15th April 2024

Half Term: Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

Last Day of Term: Tuesday 23rd July

Inset Days: Monday 24th June

Monday 22nd July

Monday 23rd July

Bank Holidays: Monday 6th May (May Day)

Monday 27th May (Spring Bank Holiday)

Term Dates 2024/2025

Autumn Term:

First day of term: Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Half Term: Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November 2024

Last day of term: Friday 20th December 2024

Winter holidays: Monday 23rd December 2024 - Friday 3rd January 2025

Inset Days: Monday 2nd September 2024

Monday 4th November 2024

Spring Term:

First day of term: Monday 6th January 2025

Half Term: Monday 17th - Friday 21st February 2025

Last day of term: Friday 4th April 2025

Spring holidays: Monday 7th April - Monday 21st April 2025

Inset Days: Monday 24th February 2025

Friday 4th April 2025

Summer Term:

First day of term: Tuesday 22nd April

Half Term: Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025

Last day of term: Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Summer Holidays: Wednesday 23rd July - Sunday 31st August 2025

Inset Day: Friday 13th June 2025

Bank Holidays: Monday 5th May 2025

Monday 26th May 2025