



Dear families,

We have had a great first two weeks back at school! The children have been working hard at practising our new routines around the school. Please ask your child about how they show '5 star listening' and '5 star lines!' **I am so proud of how much our value of 'Be Kind' has been demonstrated at lunchtimes too!**

Oak Class (Reception) have just completed their first full week at school - I have been so impressed with how they are showing our school values already and they even joined their first Celebration Assembly this morning! **A big welcome goes to Reception families and all new families across the school!**

Singing assemblies are also back at Kingfisher! This term's song is 'Power in Me' and we all enjoyed showcasing our fantastic progress learning this song to parents today! It was so good that I think some parents might even join in next time!

In this newsletter are **important updates** about communication, a reminder about attendance, open events for children who will start Reception next year, Parents' Evening and an exciting new weekly stay and play event! Make sure you read on so you don't miss out!

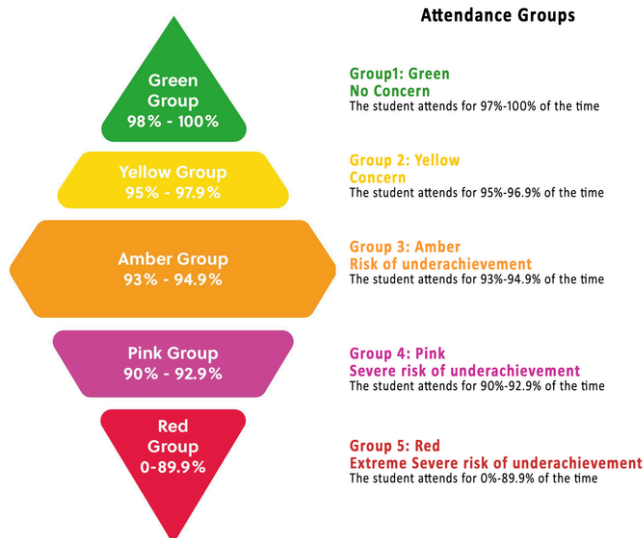
Mrs Kate Wells - Headteacher

ATTENDANCE REMINDER

Regular Attendance and punctuality to The Kingfisher School and to lesson is essential for all our students to make good progress, achieve their academic potential and consequently have better chances in life.

There are lots of improvements for individual families since last year already - well done!

Let's all strive to be in the green group!



PLAY

STAY AND PLAY FRIDAY!

On Friday 20th and 27th September (weather permitting!), we are inviting families to stay and play after school!

We recognise that some of the nearest parks and facilities are quite a walk away from our location so we are welcoming pupils and their families to stay and play until 4pm.

All pupils must be accompanied and supervised by an adult during this session.

Mrs Wells and Mrs Piper will be available for families during this time also.

If this is successful, we will look at continuing this through the year, dependent on weather!

We can't wait to see you there!



COMMUNICATION UPDATE

Class Dojo is a really important place for us to showcase news from the whole school, specific classes and give details about and celebrate events!

To support home/school communication being responded to effectively, all communication from this point onwards must be through the school email account - info@kfs.e-act.org.uk, face to face conversations or a phone call to the office. Class Dojo is not monitored on a daily basis so staff members are not able to respond to Class Dojo messages from this point onwards. This will ensure that communication is dealt with consistently across the school.

Emails that are sent to the info account will be monitored on a daily basis (Monday to Friday) and either the office staff will reply to your query or this will be forwarded onto the appropriate member of staff. We will respond to messages as soon as possible. Additionally, families are always able to call or email to request a meeting with a teacher or school leader and we will then be in contact to arrange a time for a meeting.

Mrs Wells, Mrs Stack or Mrs Piper are always on the playground every day and welcome any feedback or queries you have.

RECEPTION ADMISSIONS - 2025

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 you need to apply for a new reception school place to your home local authority.

You need to apply by 15th January 2025 and can apply [here](#)

2025 Reception Open Evening: Tuesday 22nd October at 5:30pm.

We are also offering small group tours between now and January. We will share details with these dates and how to book next week.

PARENTS EVENING

Save the Date! Parents' Evenings will be **Tuesday 15th October and Wednesday 16th October.**
More details to follow!

KEY CONTACTS

Class Teachers, School Admin, Pastoral Mentor (Mrs Piper):

Everyday queries, school events, initial concerns around friendships, well-being, attainment or SEND

Early Years and KS1 Lead - Mrs Griffin

Available to support families of children in Early Years and KS1 where the initial concern hasn't been resolved.

KS2 Lead - Mrs Stack

Available to support families of children in KS2 where the initial concern hasn't been resolved.

SENDCO - Ms Degg

Available to talk to families of SEND children or those concerned that their children may need additional support with learning.

Safeguarding Leads - Mrs Wells, Mrs Stack and Mrs Piper:

Always available to talk about concerns around well-being, family information and ensuring pupils are safe.

Senior Leadership Team - Mrs Wells and Mrs Stack:

Available to support where initial concerns have not been resolved by class teacher or Key Stage Lead.

If you ever do feel like your concern has not been resolved after these stages, please contact Mrs Wells to discuss the concern further.