

HERE'S THE NEWS

Kingsthorpe Village Primary School

22nd March 2024



Our School value for this term is:

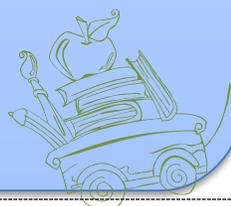
FORGIVENESS

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is the final Friday before we break for the Easter Holidays (children finish on Wednesday 27th March) and I would just like to thank everyone for all their hard work at the school. Governors have completed all their visits and written their reports. We have had two highly successful county advisor visits over the past two weeks that looked particularly at EYFS and Writing at the school and our parents' evenings (as always) were really positive with teachers sharing data and the children's books with our parents.

I would also like to thank our parents for their continued support for their school. Our overall school attendance figure is now just over 95% and well on the way to recovery and our target of 97%.

Comic Relief raised £527.72 with thanks to our school council who organised the day and sold all the red noses. At the school we found one special blue and one gold nose in the boxes.



Last Monday for national science week we brought in Atomic Tom who demonstrated exciting experiments to the whole school in a special assembly and then delivered workshops to our year 1 and 3 classes. As a school we continue to focus on delivering practical and exciting experiments within our science lessons.



DANCE

Our year 3 and 6 classes have completed their 6-week dance sessions today with Miss Sophie our dance coach. The children have worked hard over the past weeks to put on their performance and have been taught key elements of dance through their routines. After Easter years 1 and 2 will get to dance with our expert which the school buys in through the sports premium funding.



Tennis Tom has continued to work with our reception children on developing tennis skills and the children have been brilliant. They now have rackets in their hands and are controlling the tennis ball. Tom is employed again via the Sports Premium by the school and has been now worked with every class in the school. He will continue to work with our children throughout the summer term.



Mr Howells Ukulele lessons for year 3 and 5 have also been going really well and will continue until May- we hope to be able to put on another performance to parents so the children can show what they have learnt.



Our Forest School provision also continues to be very popular with the children. Mrs Oakley delivers an excellent forest school curriculum and again will have worked with all children across the school by the end of the school year.

Our Year 6 children recently completed some more SATs practice tests and have really impressed us with their scores. The children's hard work and concentration is really paying off.

The Year 6 SATs week begins on Monday 13th May and our year 6 pupils should be feeling confident to go and do their best. A SATs meeting for parents has been arranged on Tuesday 23rd April straight after school.

This week we took a team for a key-stage 2 hockey quick sticks competition at Moulton College. Our sports coaches (we pay for on a Friday) have practiced with the children over the past weeks and this has definitely supported the children with their enjoyment in school competitions.

A recent pupil wellbeing survey of the whole school showed that 97% said they felt safe at school, 94% enjoyed school and 99% said they had someone they trusted that they could talk to at KVPS.



Good luck to our Hotshots basketball players who have their County Championship Finals this Saturday at Danes Camp Leisure Centre. KVPS will be competing against twenty-four other schools that qualified to attempt to become county champions. Play well team, enjoy it and we look forward to hearing all about it in Monday's assembly.

The summer term commences on Monday 15th April. This is always an extremely busy fourteen weeks. There have been several school trips planned for this term, KS2 Pantomime performances to parents, SATs, Phonics Screening, Year 4 Times table testing, more sports events, matches and our own Sports Day, Enterprise Day etc....

As a school we work hard to provide the children with as much variety and extra-curricular activities as is possible. This only happens as a result of a strong commitment from staff, appropriate funding and the support from parents.

Finally, I would like to wish all our families a great and safe Easter



Mr B Gwynne

Last week, Year 6 did another round of mock SATs and it has been fantastic to see all their progress. Everyone has worked incredibly hard and some have given up lunchtimes to do extra work or asked for extra homework to help. They have all shown how resilient they can be!

Year 6, Mrs Morgan and I are so proud of each and every one of you and we cannot wait to see you get through the real thing in May! Keep up the great work!

Mrs Bushell

NHS School Nurse Team

Did you know that every school has a named NHS school nurse? We are a team of Qualified School Nurses, Community Staff Nurses, Healthy Child Practitioners and School Nurse Assistants. We work all year-round Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays). We are happy to provide information, advice and guidance on a range of health needs from reception to Year 13.

We can be contacted:

- By phone 0800 170 7055 option 4
- Live Chat: <https://www.nhft.nhs.uk/0-19>
- www.nhft.nhs.uk/childrenshub
- Chat Health (our text-based School Nurse messaging service) for parents and young people aged 11 and over. Monday to Friday 8.30-4.30 pm - 07507 329600
- On "X" (was Twitter) SchoolNursesNHFT

You can also contact us for any school aged immunisation queries.

- By phone: 0800 170 7055 option 5
- Website: [Children's resources, tips and advice hub | NHFT](#)

Online Safety

Please see attached leaflet regarding Online Safety



Tuesday 26 th March	Saints Take over Day in School
Wednesday 27 th March 3:30pm	School closes for Easter Break
Thursday 28 th March	Training Day – School closed to pupils
Monday 15 th April 8.45am	School re-opens to pupils
Tuesday 16 th April	Year 5 Trip – Pinnacle Climbing Centre
Monday 6 th May	School Closed Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 th May	School re-opens to pupils
Tuesday 7 th May – 09:10-9:40	Year 5 Class Performance
Wednesday 8 th May – 09:10-09:40	Year 3 Class Performance
Thursday 9 th May – 09:10-09:40	Year 4 Class Performance
w/c 13 th May	SATS Week Year 6
Friday 24 th May	School Closes for Summer Half Term
Monday 3 rd June	School re-opens to pupils

