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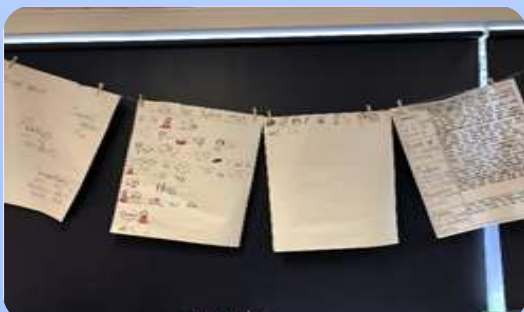
Our School value for this term is:

RESILIENCE

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children in Reception and KS1 have been learning the songs for their Christmas productions ready for the end of term. Hearing Christmas songs in November is a little strange but their singing has been lovely and a reminder of how busy this term is.

Our Governors are now in the second week of their visits and in the staff meeting this week there was a focus on monitoring the children's writing through a book look from each class. It is always amazing to see the progress of writing from our youngest to oldest children and what they are able to produce as young writers. Our focus on Writing is going well as seen in the quality across the school and pieces of writing on display. On Monday the school was visited by our new county school's adviser who toured the school, met staff and children and was suitably impressed by the work we are doing on our curriculum.



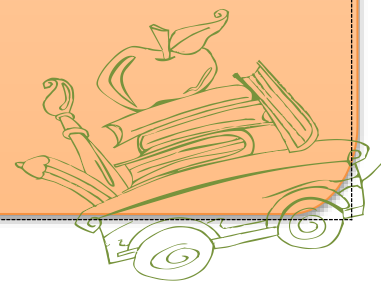
Kingsthorpe Village
Primary School
17th November 2023



Last Friday we held a minute's silence and huge thank you to Mrs Blunt who put up our outdoor display "Lest we forget"



Many of our children have now had the flu vaccination delivered expertly by the school nurse team from the NHS and we are still encouraging effective hygiene routines with the children as we enter flu season. Our school attendance last week was 97% which is an excellent bench mark to try and maintain through the rest of this term.



We have a number of Trainee Teachers in the school at present from the University of Northampton and as a school we pride ourselves in how well we support new teachers to the profession and how well staff are able to model effective teaching and learning at KVPS.

We completed the tours of the school for new parents this week and the Year 6 tour guides were amazing in talking about their School so passionately. Seeing the children describe their school reminds how much extra we do at KVPS and also how much the children enjoy their time here.

Congratulations to the children that took part in the Northants Junior Chess Congress. All the children performed brilliantly and we celebrated in assembly. The next tournament is in February. We have 24 children regularly attending Chess Club from Years 3-6 and are running our own mini School Tournament this term.



The School's Governing Board are looking for a new Parent Governor to join the team. Parents have been invited to register their interest to be nominated for the role as we began the process of recruiting this week. There is a strict timetable and procedures we have to follow and if you are interested please do not miss this exciting opportunity. I would like to thank all our Governors who are obviously all volunteers and give up their time and expertise freely working hard for the School.

Our new signs for the wellbeing hub arrived last week along with most of our internal fixtures and fittings. We are just waiting for the sofas to be delivered and then the hub should be fully operational for January 2024.



(Logo was designed by Ava in year 6)

Finally, our School Council, our Eco School Committee and our well-being buddies are all doing an excellent job supporting the school and each other as we continue to build a strong "pupil voice" at KVPS.

Mr B Gwynne



KS1 Re-creation of the Great Fire of London

Year 1 and 2 have enjoyed learning about the Great Fire of London. We made our own houses in the style of houses in London in 1666. We set up our houses on the playground like they would have been in London around the time of the Great Fire. The children watched sensibly from far back whilst we started a fire in one of the buildings and they watched how this spread quickly because the houses were all close to each other. This helped the children to understand how the Great Fire of London spread very quickly.



Message from the School Nurse Team

Shaping the Future of School Attendance Support

Parents / Carers,

Has your child experienced school attendance difficulties?
Would you like the opportunity to have your voice heard in developing how multi agencies support children and young people who are experiencing difficulties in attending school?

Your voice is crucial in helping us understand the challenges faced by children and young people.

Your participation matters

Please book your space via the QR Codes below

Wednesday 22nd November 2023

The Great Hall, Northampton Guildhall, NN1 1DE

10.30am - 12 noon



Thursday 14th December 2023

Council Chamber, Towcester Forum, Moat Lane, Towcester, NN12

6AD

10.30am - 12 noon



Join us, to help us shape the future of school attendance services

Please use the QR code to access our survey



Governor Contribution

I've been a Governor at this School since 2015 – one year after Mr Gwynne took on the leadership. My background is in education, having worked for 30 odd years in Northampton schools. I loved teaching and did miss it when I retired. When a vacancy arose for Governor here, I jumped at the opportunity. I am a Kingsthorpe girl, having lived here until I was 18. My brother attended this school and I got married in the church next door! So, I know the area well.

I am part of the Standards Quality and Curriculum Committee and my teaching experience gives me a good basis to interpret the data and progress your children are making at a super School.

I am the link Governor for PE and English so visit the school and teachers to find out how the two subjects are contributing to your children's education. I really feel privileged to be a Governor at Kingsthorpe Village Primary School.

Sue Shurville



<i>Wednesday 22nd November 9.30am</i>	<i>Year 4 - Brass Project Performance to parents</i>
<i>Wednesday 6th December 9.30am</i>	<i>Christmas Performance - Reception Class</i>
<i>Wednesday 6th December 2.00pm & 6.00pm</i>	<i>KS1 Christmas Performance</i>
<i>Thursday 7th December</i>	<i>Christmas Jumper Day</i>
<i>Monday 11th December - Thursday 14th December</i>	<i>Bikeability - Year 5/6 (Level 1 & 2)</i>
<i>Tuesday 12th December 6pm</i>	<i>Christingle at the Church</i>
<i>Wednesday 13th December 2pm</i>	<i>Aladdin Pantomime Performance</i>
<i>Thursday 14th December</i>	<i>School Christmas Lunch (bookable via ParentMail)</i>
<i>Friday 15th December</i>	<i>Christmas Film – KS2</i>
<i>Monday 18th December</i>	<i>Christmas Film – KS1</i>
<i>Tuesday 19th December</i>	<i>Whole School Christmas Party Buffet</i>
<i>Tuesday 19th December 3.30pm</i>	<i>School Closes for Christmas Break</i>
<i>Wednesday 20th December</i>	<i>Staff Training Day – School Closed to pupils</i>
<i>Thursday 4th January 2024</i>	<i>All return back to School</i>