

HERE'S THE NEWS

Kingsthorpe Village
Primary School TEAM
Friday 26th June 2026

Our School vision is:

Together
Everyone
Achieves
More

It has been another incredibly busy and exciting week. It was great to see the Northampton Saints won the Gallagher Prem Title last weekend, and our Year 3 and 4 classes visited the ground last Monday and enjoyed their stadium tour of Franklins Gardens. Our Year 5 and 6 Rugby Team also played at the Saints ground on Wednesday in the Northampton Saints Spirit Cup Finals. They had a great day enjoying a stadium tour and playing matches against the other qualifying schools. I was so proud of how all the children performed and worked as a team. Also, thanks to all the parents that came to support at Franklins Gardens.



Tuesday was our Sports day, and I am pleased to share that Yellow House won the overall Sports Day Trophy and were crowned sports day champions and Red House won the Relay – well done to all who took part and thanks to those parents who came to support. Special thanks also to Miss Foster, Sports Co-Ordinator, for organising this year's Sports Day.



The visiting Book Fair has been at school this week but unfortunately, we were unable to open on the Wednesday and Thursday. We have decided to extend the bookfair, due to the extreme heat and school afternoon closures. You can still visit and purchase a summer read next week - Monday through to Thursday 3.30pm to 4pm in the Well Being Hub. The 3 for 2 offer is still available. Thank you to everyone who supported this week and to the staff who gave up their time to manage to book sales.

We will be promoting the summer reading challenge delivered via Kingsthorpe Library very shortly in a special assembly next Tuesday. Don't forget the children can currently also swap their football cards at the library while the football World Cup is on.



Teachers have been working hard on writing this year's pupil reports and these will now be checked and ready for the end of term in just a few weeks' time. Along with your child's Report you will receive any Statutory Test Results taken this term and your child's attendance record. As a school we are monitoring attendance closely and our school figures are now recorded live to the DfE. Our whole school attendance currently for the year so far is 94.8% roughly in line with national averages.



There are many changes for schools nationally at the moment and one was the announcement that the Sports Premium Funding for schools will stop at the end of this academic year. This has meant that as a school we have had to put planning for next year's provision on hold until we know what will be put in its place. There is information about accessing new sports hubs but no concrete information yet. Currently we plan to continue with our sports club providers from our sports companies, and we have prioritised the continuation of Forest School.



There is also an important push on schools to be extra vigilant around allergy safety as a result of "Benedicts Law." At KVPS we have quite a few children who have recognised allergies and we have effective plans in place. As a school we have brought two additional epi-pens that can be used in an emergency for any child who shows signs of anaphylactic reactions – these are easily accessible and stored in the school office. We have also reviewed our allergy in schools' policy and all staff at the school have completed recent training.



As a school we have been proactive in being one of the first schools to benefit from the Mental Health Support Team delivered via the NHS. This is a new support programme on offer to schools.

We have completed all the audits and surveys expected and the team recently introduced themselves to the children to explain what work they do in a whole school assembly. Now the team is in school supporting key children, groups, classes and parents. This is a valuable resource for our school community, and this support should continue into the future.



Transition day is just over a week away and this is where the children will find out who their teachers will be for September. The children will spend most of this day in their new classroom with their new teachers and get to do some fun learning.

Our year 6 pupils will be visiting their respective secondary schools, and this is an exciting time of change for everyone.

Mr Brian Gwynne

Year 3 had a fantastic time on their recent sports trip, where they took part in a variety of exciting games and activities. They represented the school brilliantly, showing positive attitudes, enthusiasm and excellent sportsmanship throughout the day. I was particularly impressed with their performance in bench ball, where they demonstrated the skills and teamwork they have been developing in our PE lessons. The children also showed great respect towards the young leaders, listening carefully and participating with maturity and kindness. Well done, Year 3!



Sports Day – Thank you!

I just want to say a huge well done to all who took part in sports day. Everyone did amazingly well, especially because it was so hot and I am so proud of you all.

Thank you to all the members of staff who helped on the day, making the events run as smoothly as possible.

Finally, I just want to thank anyone who provided the school with a gazebo - I know we all really appreciated it.

Miss Foster, Sports Co-ordinator



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Date	Event
Monday 29 th June to Thursday 2 nd July 2026	Book Fair – Well Being Hub from 3.30pm to 4pm
Tuesday 30 th June 2026	Lewis Foundation Art Exhibition in School Hall from 8.30am to 8.55am
Wednesday 1 st July 2026	New Reception Parents 26/27 Evening – 6:00pm
Monday 6 th July 2026	KVPS Transition Day & County Transition Day <i>Pupils spend day in their new classes</i>
Monday 6 th July 2026	New Reception Parents Visits am and pm
Tuesday 7 th July 2026	Year 6 County Transition Day
Tuesday 7 th July 2026	Current Reception Parents Assembly – 14:45pm to 15:15pm school hall
Friday 10 th July 2026	School Reports to Parents
Monday 13 th July 2026	Whole School Picnic (pm) – <i>Information to follow</i>
Tuesday 14 th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers Performance – 6:00pm
Wednesday 15 th July 2026	Year 6 Laser Zone Trip - am
Wednesday 15 th July 2026	Year 6 Festival on the Playing Field from 3.30pm to 5:00pm
Thursday 16 th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers Assembly – Time TBC (pm)
Monday 20 th July 2026	Last Day of Term – 1:30pm finish (all pupils will need be to collected at 1:30pm)
Monday 20 th July 2026	No Pacesetter Breakfast Club – (staff training)
Tuesday 1 st September 2026	Teacher Training Day – School Closed to Pupils
Wednesday 2 nd September 2026	Teacher Training Day – School Closed to Pupils
Thursday 3 rd September 2026	School Open to All - First Day of Term 1