

HERE'S THE NEWS

Our School vision is:

Together
Everyone
Achieves
More



The end of our first term is upon us, and the children and staff deserve a well-earned break. To celebrate another successful term of learning and to celebrate the collection of all those responsibility pebbles this term a Halloween disco was arranged for the children.



We have successfully recruited a fantastic teacher who will join us in January 2027 to teach our Year 5 class when Miss Andrews leaves us to start her maternity leave.

Congratulations to Miss Atkinson, who has found a permanent role starting in January 2027, we will be very sad to see her leave. We are now in the process of recruiting for our Year 2 class for the period before Mrs Cater rejoins us in February.

Kingsthorpe Village
Primary School **TEAM**
Friday 23rd October 2026



Year 5 enjoyed their recent school trip to the library and to Holdenby House for their WW2 Experience Day.

Year 5 also successfully completed their Young Leaders training last week and have already been supporting at lunchtimes putting on mini games for children to enjoy.

Thank you to all the Year 6 pupils who took prospective new parents on tours around the school over the past two weeks. As always, the children speak so passionately about their school, and our visitors were highly complementary about our pupils at KVPS.



Thank you to all our parents that came to Parent's Evening this week. It was great to see so many of you and thank you to our Governors who welcomed parents into the school on both evenings.

We monitor the children's learning closely especially to identify any gaps they may have in their learning. Your child's class teacher may have discussed this with you at Parent's Evening and may have suggested some ways that parents can support at home.



Our School Council have been meeting regularly since they were elected and organised our Halloween Competition.

Thank you to all the children that took part in designing their Halloween cauldrons – they were brilliant and so creative.



The School Council are now preparing for Children in Need and Christmas events. They were also heavily involved in the recent interviews and asked some excellent questions.



Our climbing wall has been modified, with additional foot and handholds to make this more accessible to all children. The children have had class opportunities to use the improved climbing wall and are enjoying this at break and lunchtimes too.

We have only just stopped using the school field for lunchtimes as the weather has been so lovely. After half term, we will be based solely on the school playground. Please ensure your child has a jumper and a warm coat in school every day.



I am having my hip operation early next term and will be off work for approximately 6 weeks. I will be leaving the school in the capable hands of Mrs Tillman who will be stepping up to be Acting Headteacher for the duration of my leave. As a school, we have thoroughly planned for this absence so there will be minimal disruption. I know you will all support Mrs Tillman in taking over the reins in the run up to Christmas.



Mr Brian Gwynne

Year 6

Y6 SATs

Well done to all Year 6's for getting through their first round of mock SATs! You were fantastic getting through them all and it's been a really positive start.



KVPS - your choir needs you!

We would love to have children from **KS2** join our choir on **Monday lunchtimes!** We are going to be looking to start songs for the Christingle and are already working on some songs from musicals and other popular songs. We would love to have more children join.

KS1, you were so enthusiastic, Miss Quartermain has started a **KS1 Choir** on a **Tuesday lunchtime in Year 1 Classroom.** Please do go along and join in as she is looking for more members.

Mrs Bushell

Year 5 - Holdenby House Trip

On Tuesday Year 5 visited Holdenby House for a WW2 trip. They had a fantastic time learning how to make do and mend, bake biscuits and experience what a real Anderson Shelter was like.



The children had a fabulous time and were a real credit to the school, well done Year 5.

Year 5 - Library Visit

Year 5 had a great trip to the library last Thursday. Lizzie set up an activity about fiction and non-fiction books, which the children enjoyed! The library has some great activities during half term too.



Miss Andrews



School Council - Halloween Competition

Thank you to all who took part in the Halloween competition! We were so impressed with all your spooktacular entries, and it was incredibly hard to judge these!

In total, we have raised **£40.12!**

Hope you all have a great half term!



The School Council

Year 1

The Talented Tigers have settled into Year 1 wonderfully and have been working incredibly hard! They have been learning all about The Great Fire of London, creating their own imaginative pictures to show what they think London may have looked like during this historic event.

The children have also been learning about Fire Safety and discussing what to do in the event of a fire. To finish off their learning about The Great Fire of London, they enjoyed making their own delicious bread rolls to take home and taste.

In Science, the children have been exploring the different parts of the human body and learning about our five senses. They have enjoyed discovering how our senses help us to understand and explore the world around us.



Well done, Talented Tigers, for all your fantastic hard work and enthusiasm for learning!

Miss Quartermain

SCHOOL CALENDAR

DATES

Date	Event
Friday 23 rd October 2026	Last Day of Term 1 - Break-up for Half-term
Monday 2 nd November 2026	First Day of Term 2 - All Pupils back to School
Thursday 5 th November 2026	Year 2 Library Visit - during school time
Friday 13 th November 2026	Children in Need Event at School Details to Follow
Thursday 19 th November 2026	Show & Tell - Year 4 at 9.10am to 9.30am
Wednesday 9 th December 2026	Reception Nativity - 9.30am to 10.00am
Wednesday 9 th December 2026	KS1 Christmas Performance 2.00pm to 2.30pm & 6.00pm to 6.30pm
Thursday 10 th December 2026	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day Details to Follow
Tuesday 15 th December 2026	Christingle at St John the Baptist Church - 6pm
Wednesday 16 th December 2026	Whole School Christmas Lunch with festive music
Friday 18 th December 2026	Party Day Lunch - Last Day of Term 2 - Break-up for Christmas
Monday 4 th January 2027	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 5 th January 2027	First Day of Term 3 - All Pupils back to School