



School Newsletter

Week commencing

23rd February 2024



It has been lovely seeing everyone back this week to start Term 4.

We have welcomed Mrs Syred to Maple class and celebrated Year 6 with their Leavers' Hoodies - a big 'Thank you' to FOKs for organising and gifting these to our Year 6s - they loved them!

Year 5 have enjoyed their first swimming session for this term and we have already seen some wonderful homework come in - chocolate cake on rations! It was delicious!

Even though the weather doesn't look to be fantastic this weekend, we hope you have a restful time whatever you're doing. See you Monday,

Mrs Sanchez Daviu, the Kingswood Team and Hattie



The Kingswood Podcast is live on our school website!

Visit <https://kingswoodkentsch.co.uk/> and go on the top bar to **News and Events** - click to **School Newsletter** - click to **Term 4 ...** and you'll find it there! Along with all our school newsletters. Kingswood Primary School is now Friends of The Honey Bee!

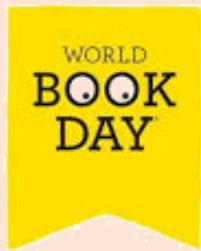


What's on this week

26/2/2024 - 1/3/2024

Gentle reminder: Payment for Wrap Around Care should be made in advance or on the day of provision. Thank you.

Monday 26th	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	No Clubs
Tuesday 27th	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	Drawing Club. Year 3 - 6. 3.15pm to 4.15pm Film Club. Year 3 - 6. 3.15pm to 4.15pm
Wednesday 28th	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	Film Club. Year R - 2. 3.15pm to 4.15pm
Thursday 29th	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	Swimming Lessons: Year 5 - Please provide your child with a packed lunch. Book Club. Year R - 2. 3.15pm to 4.15pm Football Club. Year R - 2. 3.15pm to 4.15pm
Friday 1st March	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	Crusaders 3.15pm to 4.15pm



8th March 2024

There isn't a donation attached to WBD, so all we're asking is for children to dress up like their favourite book character or pyjamas to celebrate the day.

With the cost of living being so high at the moment, we are offering two options for dressing up on the day ...

1. their favourite character dress-up OR
2. pyjamas and their favourite book.

We appreciate that some children will already have costumes, but others may not and we understand how expensive WBD costumes can be.

Officially it's on Thursday 7th March 2024, but due to ASPIRE children swimming on Thursdays, we will be holding our ASPIRE WBD - like last year - the following day: **Friday 8th March**.

The Kingswood Primary School Team

Day to day, while your children are in the school learning, there is a great team here helping them through their early years. There is so much enthusiasm for the children's progression in their education and also for the wellbeing of all the children. Each week we want to share more about the team your children know so well.



Why I like working at Kingswood Primary School by Mrs Dunne, School Secretary.

I first wanted to work in a school as I am also a mum. To work when you have children, it can be hard to find a job which allows you to have the time off, especially in the holidays, when you need to. I have worked in a school environment for just over 13 years, I used to work in the classroom as a

Teaching Assistant but since I have been at Kingswood I have worked in the office - which I really enjoy.

I love working at Kingswood and seeing all of the children's smiley faces and hearing them simply enjoying their time at school - although trumpet lessons is rather a noise - lol.

Out of school I am usually found at the beach, when the weather allows, or camping here in the UK or visiting France with my family to see my BFF. I have 2 cats called Luna and Bonnie who are mischievous little things. I have three beautiful children and a Mr Dunne who all also keep me very busy.

'Up' is 'All Up' please.



For health & safety all children with long hair must have their hair tied up and secure at all times when in school. This is a standard rule across most primary schools in the UK to reduce the risk of potential accidents. This means that all long hair must all be tied up and not just a section of the hair tied up - 'All Up' please. Many thanks.

Toys in School

Please support your children by reminding them that toys are not allowed in school, as we don't want them lost or damaged. This will help to eliminate distractions during learning time. If children feel like cuddling a soft toy during the day, we have several emotional support teddies in the classrooms to help them. Or if you need to speak to us regarding a child's specific toy to support them coming into school, please don't hesitate to have a chat with their class teacher.

Year 4 Gudwara Visit - 16th April

Not a chase up - just a reminder that payment for this trip is due before 14th March at £8.90 for the cost of the coach.



If you need any wellbeing advice, guidance or support, please email wellbeing@aspire-kent.org.uk

Website -

www.kingswoodkentsch.co.uk

School Telephone - 01622 842674

Email - office@kingswoodkentsch.co.uk

Letters - The following letters have been emailed home this week: Executive Head weekly letter. Class Letters. following flyers have been emailed home this week:

All are available on our website.

The Education People's Early Years and Childcare Service is conducting a survey on behalf of Kent County Council.

This is of parents/carers and expectant parents to determine interest in the childcare entitlements that are being introduced this year and their arrangements for wraparound care of any primary school aged children.

The survey will also gather the views of parents/carers using or wanting to use more childcare in Kent. This combined information will help them to assess where there are gaps in provision. **Please use this QR code to take part in this valuable survey.**



Our School Values

Our hard working pupils are supported by a dedicated team of staff, governors and parents who work together to provide a community environment which promotes our key values, using the initials of the names of the schools, of:

Kingswood = Kindness

Leeds & Broomfield = Love & Boldness

Platts Heath = Patience & Honesty

Ulcombe = Understanding

PLUS at Kingswood we've added Resilience as it's so important.

Here's more about one of our school values



Understanding

- We understand we are all different.
- We understand that we can listen as well as talk.
- We understand we must treat others nicely.
- We can understand others have different beliefs, interests, likes and dislikes.

Mornings - The gates open at 8.30am and the school day starts at 8.45am. If your child isn't in their classroom by 8.45 they might miss the morning register and will need to be signed in at reception. We know things happen on rare occasions but please do try to be earlier than later. Many thanks.



Parking - When dropping off or collecting your child please park considerately and ensure you are not obstructing drives, garages or access to roads. Please be respectful of our neighbours. We appreciate your support in this matter.



Black Trainers - A gentle reminder that black trainers are the school uniform footwear and other colours are not to be worn. Many thanks.

Polite Notice - When bringing your child to school, please accompany the child to the school office and not drop off outside the gate - Years R-5. This includes Wrap Around Care. Thank you for your cooperation.

Make Up is NOT to be worn in the school for any year group. It isn't needed and is a distraction for the children to be considering cosmetics at a young age. *There are many years ahead for make up in their lives! :o)*

Polite Request - Can we please ask that any payments being made to the school, by cash or cheque, be handed in to their class in an envelope with their name, class, amount of money & what it is for. There are envelopes available at reception.



Facebook Group - we have set up a Facebook group for the school to keep everyone up to date with any information. Please do join. This is the link to join:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553692398004>

