



# School Newsletter

Week commencing

15th March 2024



What a great Red Nose Day we have had today! It's been lovely seeing everyone with splashes of bright red around the school. Thank you for any donations received today - they are very much appreciated and we will pass them on to Comic Relief. We've been able to share with the children all the important work that Children in Need and Comic Relief do.

This week has been Science Week which all classes have been involved in. The week has been full of fun science-based activities; it has inspired the children to develop their interest in science and technology further which has been lovely to see.

We have had some signs of spring this week - the plants in the school grounds are bursting into flower! We hope you have a lovely restful weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday,

Mrs Sanchez Daviu, the Kingswood Team and Hattie



A request from Mr Robinson: I am planning to brighten up the staff room in the near future and have a request. If you have any chairs that you are getting rid of - or know anyone else locally who does - we'd be ever so grateful if they can be donated the school. Thanks!



## What's on this week

18/3/2024 - 22/3/2024

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

<b>Monday 18th</b>	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	No Clubs
<b>Tuesday 19th</b>	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	<b>Drawing Club. Year 3 - 6.</b> 3.15pm to 4.15pm <b>Film Club. Year 3 - 6.</b> 3.15pm to 4.15pm
<b>Wednesday 20th</b>	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	<b>Film Club. Year R - 2.</b> 3.15pm to 4.15pm
<b>Thursday 21st</b>	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	<b>Swimming Lessons: Year 5</b> - Please provide your child with a packed lunch. **Please note this will be the last swimming lesson before the Easter holidays - see the next page.** <b>Book Club. Year R - 2.</b> 3.15pm to 4.15pm <b>Football Club. Year R - 2.</b> 3.15pm to 4.15pm
<b>Friday 22nd</b>	Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only) 7.30am – 8.45am & 3.15 – 6.00pm	<b>Crusaders</b> 3.15pm to 4.15pm



### 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.



#### My life as a School Caretaker at Kingswood Primary School by Mr Robinson.

I enjoy working with the children here at Kingswood, the village in which I have lived for many years.

My career has been very busy. I was in the Royal Navy where I served on navy ships - the main ones being HMS Blake and HMS Diomed.

I then went on to become a firefighter for many years which was very satisfying as I was able to help save lives. Recently I gave a talk to Chestnut & Sycamore Class all about my days at sea and in the fire service.

I'm a dad and granddad and know how important school is to children. I'm only disappointed that there aren't more Watford fans in the school. There's always something to do in the school and I've recently been painting the school hall and other areas. People keep telling me I'm a brilliant caretaker -



I'm not one to blow my own trumpet but I do have to agree with them. 🤔

*Note from Mrs Foster: This morning we discovered Mr Robinson's Red Nose Day prank for Comic Relief - we found he'd switched the light bulb in the staff toilet for a disco light!*

## WANTED



**Have you joined yet?** Please do sign up to join Friends of Kingswood as your input would be really appreciated in all areas. Extra help is needed in the team - both with planning events and, if you can, with helping on the day of events.

FOKS do a fantastic amount for us all and their contribution brings extras to **ALL** the children in Kingswood as they journey through the years with us here.

### Year 5

#### Swimming

So just it is clear for everyone, swimming **WILL** take place this coming Thursday - the 21st March.

Swimming will not take place the following week as this Thursday will be the last day of this term. The final session of this six lessons for Year 5 will take place on Thursday 18th April.



#### At Kingswood Primary, we are all Friends of the Honey Bee



Here are some links to learning activities <https://www.bbka.org.uk/learning-activities> Ideas for fun hands-on craft-based and outdoor learning activities.

Here for gardening for bees - <https://www.bbka.org.uk/gardening-for-bees>

Here for planting for bees blog spot - <https://www.bbka.org.uk/Blogs/planting-for-bees-blog> These pages contain lots of useful information about the best plants for bees.

**Why are bees so important?** Not only do bees pollinate our food crops, they're also vital for the survival of other wild plants that support SO much of our wildlife. Almost 90% of wild plants and 75% of leading global crops depend on animal pollination. One out of every three mouthfuls of our food depends on pollinators such as bees. Crops that depend on pollination are five times more valuable than those that do not.

**Bees actually have FOUR wings!** The two wings each side hook together to form one larger pair when flying and then unhook when they're not flying.



If you need any wellbeing advice, guidance or support, please email [wellbeing@aspire-kent.org.uk](mailto:wellbeing@aspire-kent.org.uk)

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# Easter Eggstravaganza

THURSDAY 28TH MARCH 2024

**Non School uniform - £1 donation**

There will be 3 competitions the children can enter free of charge:

- KS1 - Make an Easter Bonnet
- KS2 - Make an Easter Card
- KS1 & KS2 - Bake an Easter themed Cake



These will be judged and winners of each competition will receive an Easter Egg (1 for KS1 and 1 KS2 for the cake competition).

There will be Easter games 50p per go with chances to win chocolate treats and Easter Eggs as part of the last day assembly. So bring your pennies!



**Naming in Clothes:** We've had a couple of moments recently after P.E. where there have been a few school jumpers ... and a few children ... *and there has been confusion matching up the clothes with the children.*



**To avoid this could you please just do a check through of your child's clothes to make sure that everything has their name on it.**

It could be a matter, as a quick solution, of just writing it on the label inside the item with a pen. A check every few weeks would be good too as sometimes the pen washes off!



*A few polite reminders ...*

**Some of our children in Cedar and Oak classes have been invited to join an Aspire Residential activity trip later in the year ... here are some pictures of Bowles Outdoor Centre.**



If there are any concerns at all about attending please do let us know and we will do all we can to help. If you haven't yet sent your form back please do so asap. Bowles Outdoor Centre is an outdoor education and outdoor learning located between Royal Tunbridge Wells and Crowborough at Bowles Rocks. Our school group last year had a great time!



**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.



**Nut Free School** - We are a nut free school. As well as protecting children within our school who may have allergies, we are also committed to making all our children aware of allergies and the dangers they pose.

**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 can the Parent/Carer 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>

