



Kingham Student Leaders

We are delighted to announce the appointment of our first ever Head Boy and Head Girl. After an application process and interviews with shortlisted candidates, six students were selected to make presentations in a special assembly on Tuesday morning. From the beginning of the process to the end, all students who applied have impressed us with their maturity, passion and commitment. In interviews, students answered questions with clarity and communication skills ahead of their age. And on Tuesday, presentations by the final candidates were inspirational. Following a student and staff vote on Tuesday, I am delighted to announce that our new Head Girl is Hannah, and our new Head Boy is Freddie. Our Deputy Head Boy is Charlie B, and our Deputy Head Girl is Lucy. Congratulations and good luck! We hope that this has been a useful learning process for all the candidates and thank you all for your enthusiastic participation.



Next week Year 6 will elect House Captains. For Student Council, we have made the decision to allow last year's elected students to continue for one more year, as, with the lockdown, they did not get to perform their duties as much as in normal years.

Year 6 Applications for Secondary School

The deadline for parents of children in Year 6 to apply for secondary school is fast approaching. All applications must be submitted by 31 October 2021. If you live in Oxfordshire you must apply online using the [Oxfordshire portal](#); if you live in [Gloucestershire](#) or a different county, you need to use *their* portal. It does not matter which county the schools are based in, you must apply using the online application form for whichever county *you* reside in.

Parents seeking places for their child at an independent (fee-paying) school must apply directly to the relevant school(s).

If you need any help or advice with the process (we cannot advise on schools), please do speak to Mr Prockter.

New Running Track



The new Kingham all-weather jogging track was completed this afternoon and is ready to use when we return to school on Monday morning. Originally, this was planned for later in the year, but when builders called last week to ask if they could start early, how could we refuse?

The jogging track circles the edge of our playing field and then traverses through the bottom of the forest with the existing playground tarmac completing the last section with one circuit being 340m (or just over one fifth of a mile). This means that we can run our Daily Mile even after we have had periods of rain, and it allows us to regularly walk/run through the prettiest section of our forest. The work was completed using PE Premium funding we receive from the government and the track will be used to encourage and motivate our students to want to stay fit.



Covid-19

We are pleased to inform you that there have been no new cases in the school this week and thank you for your understanding and co-operation during this time.



KPSA Hallowe'en Activities

This half term our KPSA have organised some great activities to keep your little monsters busy.



Pumpkin Trail from 22 October

It's almost All Hallows Eve and pumpkins will soon be appearing around Kingham Village.

The pumpkins have a secret message to help you save the village from ghastly ghouls and mischievous monsters! Find all the pumpkins and answer the clues to reveal the answer!

Pop your answer sheet in the cauldron at Kingham village stores and claim a treat! All correct answers will be entered into a draw to win a special spooky prize!

Tricks and Treats

Don't forget to order a bag of treats to take along for some extra energy on your quest and a bag of tricks so you can make your own mischief at home! You might also like a special hot chocolate to warm up!

Spooky Craft Kits

Our KPSA have put together some spooky inspired crafts and activities to keep little monsters busy over half term; one for EY/KS1 children and a more challenging kit for KS2 children. You will need felt tips and everything else is provided.

Order on the KPSA website & everything can be collected from school on 22nd October, or sent home with your child if they are on the bus! [Order through the KPSA Website.](#)

Nursery Class – 'Open Door' Mon 18 October

On Monday 18th October, from 3:00 to 3:30, Nursery Class are looking forward to opening their doors and welcoming parents of Nursery children to look at children's work and spend time enjoying their child's Learning Journal.

Half Term Activities at the Oxfordshire Museum

The Oxfordshire Museum in Woodstock has several galleries including Romans, Dinosaurs and Victorians. Over the half term holiday, the museum is co-ordinating some fun activities for primary-aged children including the following:

Tuesday 26th October: **Push and Pull** (2-4pm)

Make a moving picture based on the new mechanical exhibition. Get your family ticket today! (Up to 3 Children). All children must be accompanied by an adult.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/176207339897>

Wednesday 27th October: **Kool Kaleidoscopes** (11-3pm)

Use inspiration from the mechanicals exhibition to create the coolest of Kaleidoscopes! Get your family ticket today! (Up to 3 Children). All children must be accompanied by an adult -

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/176236858187>

Thursday 28th October: **Mini Mechanics** (2-4pm)

Watch your creations balance and fly, with inspiration from the great outdoors and the new *Mechanicals* exhibition. Get your family ticket today! (Up to 3 Children). All children must be accompanied by an adult.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/176274260057>

The museum also has a new Mechanical Trail for you to enjoy. Check out [the Museum website.](#)

U11 Hockey Tournament



On Wednesday our Year 5 students represented Kingham at the CNPS U11 Hockey Tournament. We are so proud of this squad who have only recently learnt how to play this sport. Our hockey players practised hard in the days leading up to the tournament and were the youngest team participating. They put on a great display of skill and teamwork with the girls and boys teams gaining 3rd and 4th place respectively.

Value of the Month: Unity

Unity is:
togetherness,
collective strength and harmony,
sticking together, even when things are tough.

Diary dates

Mon 18 Oct	Y2 at Warwick Castle
Mon 18 Oct	Nursery Open Door 3pm
Thurs 21 Oct	Open Morning for Prospective Reception Parents
Fri 22 Oct	KS2 House Football (am)
Fri 22 Oct	KPSA Pumpkin Trail
Fri 22 Oct	Last Day of Half Term
Mon 1 Nov	INSET Day – School Closed
Tues 2 Nov	First Day Back
Weds 3 Nov	Nursery to Year 1 Reading & Phonics Parent Workshop
Tues 2 Nov	Y3 trip to The Rollright Stones
Sat 20 Nov	Kingham Christmas Fair – Village Hall
Weds 24 Nov	Y3/Y4 trip to Gloucester Cathedral

