



Midsummer Magic at the Chipping Norton Music Festival

One midsummer night, four young lovers are wrapped in the dream-like arms of an enchanted forest, where spirits lurk, and the faerie king and queen are at war.

Magic really did happen this year at the Chipping Norton Music Festival, when a small group of talented Year 6 pupils performed scenes from Shakespeare's *Midsummer Night's Dream*.

A rapt audience were treated to an incredibly mature and entertaining interpretation of this hilarious masterpiece - Will Shakespeare would have surely been impressed!

The appreciative adjudicator rightly awarded pupils with prestigious *Outstanding* and *Distinction* certificates. So bravo – Amélie, Annabel, Benedict, Conolly, Esme, Evie, Honey, Kaya, Tia, Thomas and Tobi. And thank you, Mrs Harrison, for the passionate coaching and direction!



Easter Bingo

It is a little-known fact that In Britain we eat more chocolate than any other country in the world! This was clearly evident at the Easter Bingo this week with chocolate prizes stacked on high as Miss Jenkinson called the numbers.

Thank you to all those who attended and those who bought lucky numbers for the chocolate bunny. We have raised approximately £700! Thank you to Nathalie and the KPSA team for all your hard work!

Robotics Workshop

Kingham students have had an exciting end of STEM week participating in robotics workshops (part-funded by our KPSA).

Students learned how to construct vehicles and program them to move using software.



Value of the Month: Forgiveness

Forgiveness:
is understanding that everyone makes mistakes
brings peace of mind and frees me from anger

Longer School Day Consultation

Last year the Secretary of State for Education presented a [White Paper to Parliament](#) promising, among other things, to raise standards in primary schools across England. One section of the White Paper outlined how the government would like to ensure that the length of the school week for students in state primaries is a minimum of 32.5 hours (Kingham Primary's week is currently only 31 hours).

The White Paper stated, "We will deliver a richer, longer, average school week. It is unfair that a child who receives 20 minutes per day less teaching time loses out on around 2 weeks of schooling a year. We will expect all schools to work towards meeting this expectation by September 2023 at the latest."

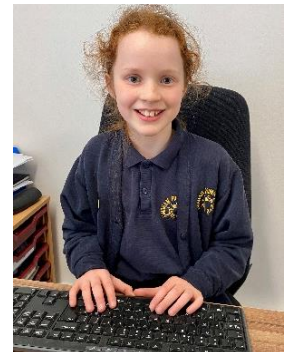
Kingham Primary School therefore propose to extend our school day for Reception to Year 6 pupils to 3:15pm from September 2023. Drop off would remain at 8:45am and collection would be at 3:15pm. We believe that this change will be a significant benefit to our school.

If you have a view on the proposal, or wish to make any comments, then please email us at: comments@kingham.oxon.sch.uk. This consultation will end on Friday 28th April at 12pm.

It is worth noting that, although a longer timetable will be a benefit to our pupils, funding this will be an additional, unplanned pressure on the school budget. For two years the government have publicly promised increased funding for schools, but we are yet to receive an extra penny. Increased costs (eg energy and supplies), significant pay increases (that were not funded), and now a longer school day, make it even more difficult to resource our curriculum.

Odd Socks Day

Thank you so much for all your help and support on Tuesday. The Odd Socks Day, combined with the Bake Sale and several donations from Kingham families, the Toddler Group and church came to almost £500 for Down Syndrome Oxford! Thank you also to everyone that baked cakes, cookies or biscuits, it was very kind of you, and we really appreciated it. *Jemima, Year 5*



Thank you, Jemima, for your passion and hard work supporting your charity. Thank you for organising the bake sale, making posters, speaking so well in assembly and writing for the bulletin. We are so proud of you! *Mr Prockter, Headteacher*

Last day of Spring Term Reminder

Next Friday is the last day of this term. Please remember to collect children at the slightly earlier time of **2pm**. Have a great Easter Holiday!

Cross Country Finals



Three of our cross-country teams and one individual (Zack Glennie) qualified for the County finals which took place yesterday in Oxford. Our athletes were exceptional and had a muddy, fun-filled morning competing.

U9 and U11 girls' teams were both placed 4th in the county and U11 boys, 6th. A special mention must also go to Zack Glennie who came second overall in the county, after a photo finish, in the U9 boys' 1.5k race. Attitudes were awesome, as were the results. Well done all!

Easter Holiday Cricket

Oxfordshire Cricket are running cricket sessions on Wednesday 5th April at Wood Green School, Witney for 5-11 year olds. For more information, and to sign up, please click on one of these links:

- [10-11.30 for 5 to 7 year olds](#) £9
- [12-2 for 8 to 11 year olds](#) £12

Moreton-in-Marsh Tennis Club Open Day

Moreton-in-Marsh Tennis Club is running an Open Day this Sunday 26th March at the tennis club (GL56 9QA). The event will run from 2:00-5:00. Anyone is welcome to come along and play some tennis and find out more about the club. The club is also offering limited Junior and Adult coaching courses free-of-charge next week on Tuesday 28th March and Saturday 1st April. All you need to do is sign up at the open day, or email MoretonAces@hotmail.com on Sunday evening for the link to sign up. [For more details click here.](#)

Diary Dates

Mon 27 Mar	Year 2 Careers Day
Tues 28 Mar	Reception visit to Oxford Story Museum
Weds 29 Mar	Interhouse Benchball
Weds 29 Mar	Year 2 Visit to local church
Weds 29 Mar	Parents' Evening
Thurs 30 Mar	Parents' Evening
Thurs 30 Mar	Interhouse Benchball
Fri 31 Mar	Year 3 Visit to local church
Fri 31 Mar	Easter Egg Hunt
Fri 31 Mar	Last day of Spring Term – 2pm finish
Mon 17 Apr	First day back
Mon 24 Apr	Cycle Training Y5
Tues 25 Apr	Year 5 Author Visit – Hannah Foley
Weds 3 May	Year 1/2 Author Visit– Sarah Hutchinson-Jarman
Fri 5 May	Reception Class Assembly
Fri 5 May	Coronation celebration day
Mon 8 May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Weds 10 May	Year 3 at Cadbury World