



Loki author visiting Kingham next week

Next Thursday, we welcome top author and illustrator Louie Stowell to our school. Louie is the bestselling author of the renowned Loki series, and we can't quite believe that she is coming to visit us at Kingham!

Louie will be leading an interactive KS2 assembly. She will talk about how she writes



and where her ideas come from, focusing on her recent Loki Series. The event will include live drawing and a book signing!

[For your chance to pre-order copies for Louie to sign, please click on this link](#) and then click on the book(s) you would like to order. Unfortunately, this is the day that Year 5 are being 'evacuated', but this was the only day Louie could do! The good news is that Year 5's can still order dedicated, signed books and pick them up when they return to school. The deadline for ordering is Tuesday 17th October.

Summer Reading Challenge

We are delighted to be welcoming Sally Moore from Chipping Norton Library next Friday during our Star of the Week of Assembly. Sally will be completing a short presentation for those children who completed the Summer Reading Challenge this year. If you would like your child to be part of the presentation, please send them in on that morning with their reading challenge records or let Miss Jenkinson know ahead of time. Sally is happy to celebrate those children who completed the challenge in both Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire.

Christmas Card Competition

Robert Courts, our school's local MP, is encouraging students to enter his annual Christmas card competition. The winning design will be used as his constituency Christmas card, which is sent to hundreds of people including the Prime Minister. The overall constituency winner will also be offered a tour of parliament. Entries must be on unfolded A4 paper and submitted no later than Friday 3rd November. [For full competition guidelines please click on this link.](#)

Value of the Month - Tolerance

Tolerance:
is accepting myself and others,
is knowing we are all different,
is being understanding and open minded.

Keeping Children Safe Online

Online Safety Workshop

It is becoming increasingly difficult for us as parents to manage our children's device time. Children using their devices certainly gives us ten minute's peace, but also causes us worries about what they might see and who they might speak to. **On Tuesday 17th October, we are holding a Parent Online Safety workshop** at 1:45 in the hall (this is a different time from that previously advertised). The workshop will cover a broad range of online safety risks with lots of practical advice as well as time for questions and answers.

We strongly encourage parents of all age groups to attend.

Online Filtering and Monitoring

We have recently invested in new online monitoring and safeguarding software. This software restricts children's access to inappropriate content and ensures that staff are aware should a child access or attempt to access potentially harmful pages including gaming, gambling, violent and illegal content.

SMART Rules

To avoid being hacked, clicking on Spam, viruses and cyber-bullying, Kingham pupils are taught how to follow our SMART rules:

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| Safe | Don't give out personal information |
| Meet | Don't meet up with people you've met online |
| Accepting | Don't accept emails, files, pictures from people you do not know |
| Reliable | Check information before you believe it |
| Tell | Tell an adult if someone or something makes you worried |

CNPS Boccia Champions

Last Wednesday, a talented Boccia team (including Maciej, Noah, Rafe, Alfie, Zeb, Thomas and Rylie) travelled to Chipping Norton School and participated in a CNPS tournament.

Boccia originated in Ancient Greece and Egypt and is played by many people today. The team was split into 2 groups (Kingham A and B) and both played really well. Kingham A got 4th position and Kingham B got 1st! Champions! *By Noah - Year 5*



U9 Girls out of West Oxfordshire Semi-Finals on Penalties

On Wednesday, our U9 Girls' football team were in action at the West Oxfordshire Football Tournament in Witney.

Our girls were exceptional, scoring several goals and eventually making it to the semi-finals. Teamwork and resilience were in abundance as they played their final match. A heroic performance from Rosa-Grace, who was outstanding throughout, sadly ended in a broken arm and she had to be taken off before our brave girls went out on penalties. Well done all!



Infant/Early Years Drop-Off

Another polite reminder to parents with children in Reception to Year 2 classes that we would appreciate it if you could say goodbye to your child in the line rather than bringing them to the glass door. This allows staff to focus on those children who do need a little extra support and means the door does not become too crowded and overwhelming for the children. Nursery parents should continue to use this entry as normal.

Times Tables Rockstars (TTRS)

Congratulations to the following students for their hard work on TTRS over the last 7 days.

Most minutes:

Gold	150pts	Harry L, Year 5	OTTERS
Silver	100pt	Grace, Year 4	OTTERS
Bronze	50pts	Monty M, Year 2	OWLS

Highest minutes by class: Year 4

Highest scores by class: Year 5



Student Council 2023

We are delighted to announce our student council for this academic year. Our student councillors serve as the representative body for all our students. The council also help to share student ideas, interests and concerns as well as organise and initiate school events and projects.



Last year, our student council helped organised events such as Children in Need and Red Nose Day; they organised a fundraising day for their chosen charity; came up with the idea for prefects at playtimes; and purchased outdoor games for the playground. They also chaired and minuted their own meetings!

Our elected student council reps are:

Year 2: Grace and Amos

Year 3: Ellie and Eli E

Year 4: Isla and George

Year 5: Amelie and Burl

Year 6: Jemima, Yegor, Amy and Benji

Diary Dates

Tues 17 Oct	Parent Online Safety Workshop (1:45pm)
Weds 18 Oct	CNPS U9s / U11s Cross Country
Thurs 19 Oct	Year 5 at Gloucestershire Steam Railway
Thurs 19 Oct	KS2 Louie Stowell Author Visit (pm)
Fri 20 Oct	Last day of half term
Mon 30 Oct	INSET Day
Tues 31 Oct	First day back
Tues 31 Oct	Flu Vaccinations
Weds 1 Nov	Parents Evening (3:30 - 7pm)
Thurs 2 Nov	Parents Evening (3:30 - 6pm)
Tues 7 Nov	Year 3 at Hill End Stone Age Experience
Thurs 9 Nov	KPSA Meeting 3:20pm
Fri 10 Nov	KPSA Quiz Night (Village Hall)
Mon 13 Nov	Anti-Bullying Week
Fri 17 Nov	Children in Need
Fri 17 Nov	Year 2 Class Assembly (2:45pm)
Weds 22 Nov	CNPS U11s Netball
Tues 28 Nov	Year 5 Space VR workshop
Weds 29 Nov	CNPS U11s Indoor Athletics
Thurs 30 Nov	CNPS U11s Literary Quiz
Fri 1 Dec	Year 6 Class Assembly (2:45pm)
Fri 1 Dec	KPSA Film Night
Weds 6 Dec	CNPS U9s Ball Festival
Fri 8 Dec	KS2 Disco
Weds 20 Dec	Last day of Autumn Term
Mon 8 Jan	INSET Day
Tues 9 Jan	First day back

Young Christmas Cracker Joker

Chipping Norton Town Council are seeking a special young person to be a VIP for the night and help the Mayor of Chipping Norton at the *Christmas Lights Switch-On* taking place on November 23rd, 2023.

They are looking for The Best Young Christmas Cracker Joker in Chippy! Open Auditions take place on Wednesday 1st November at 4:15pm at the Town Hall, for children to try out their favourite jokes, which will be judged by the Mayor of Chipping Norton, Sandra Coleman, with an invited panel.

The competition is open to children aged between 6 and 16 years living in Chipping Norton and the surrounding villages. If you know a young person who loves to make all their friends and families chuckle with a great cheesy Christmas Cracker joke, then ask them to enter the competition and be in with the chance to join the mayor and switch on the Chippy Christmas Lights in 2023!

For more info, please email events@chippingnorton-tc.gov.uk

