



New Deputy Headteacher

Following a rigorous process, including interviews with student councillors (as well as the governing board), we are pleased to announce the appointment of our new Deputy Headteacher - Mrs Rebecca Balloch.



Mrs Balloch is an experienced educator who has worked in the Cotswolds for the past twelve years. Mrs Balloch has undertaken several leadership roles including SENCo (special educational needs co-ordinator) and brings to Kingham expertise in music, and experience of teaching across all age phases from Early Years to Juniors

In her current position, in a thriving village school in Gloucestershire, as well as deputising for the headteacher, Mrs Balloch has also overseen reading and phonics, achieving results in the top 1% nationally.

Having decided not to apply herself, we are extremely grateful to Miss Welby for temporarily taking on the deputy role for two terms and helping us after Miss Jenkinson's departure. Miss Welby will be an excellent leader again when she makes the decision to do so.

Mrs Balloch starts with us in September - we look forward to welcoming her to the Kingham community in the near future.

Reminders

Chipping Norton Family Workshops (Years 4, 5 and 6)

Chipping Norton School is hosting some fun family workshops on the week commencing 20th May. There are three different activities running in the evenings: tennis, music, and creative writing. Sessions are free of charge and provide a good opportunity for children to experience something new in a secondary school setting. [Further details are on this link](#). Booking deadline - Mon 13 May 8am.

Open Doors

On the final week of this half-term, we are opening classroom doors at 3:20pm for parents to come in and look at some of the work your children have been doing this term at Kingham. The times for each class are in the Diary Dates. We hope you can pop along and see what we've been up to.

Kingham Fun Run – Saturday 18th May

There's still time to register for the Kingham Fun Run on Saturday 18th May.

[Please use this link to sign up.](#)

Cakes for Kingham!



Thank you to all our wonderful parents who have been baking cakes for the teas at Chastleton House and for the farmers market at The Plough, as well as those who helped to run stalls. We raised a total of £1,000 over the two events this week!

Year 3 Trip to Cadbury World

Last Tuesday, Year 3 went on a trip to Cadbury World. First we went through a jungle with a Mayan stone and then into a theatre that told us about the history of Cadbury.



After watching someone show us how to make chocolate with caramel inside, we got to *eat* chocolate!! We were also able to decide our own toppings – I picked jelly babies and chocolate buttons. Before long it was lunchtime where we played in a playground!

In the afternoon we all went to a 4D cinema and it felt like we were on a rollercoaster! Then we went on a ride where you had to shoot ingredients and we got splashed.

My favourite fact was about how during Aztec times naughty children were hit by a cactus, and really naughty children were put over a fire of smoking chillies!

It was the best school trip ever – I am definitely going back! By Isla Barnsley – Year 3

Value of the Month - Forgiveness

Forgiveness:

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

Interhouse Orienteering Friday 17th May

Students in Reception to Year 6 will be competing in the House Orienteering competition on Friday next week. Please remember to bring in PE kit on this day, and, if possible, a tee-shirt/polo shirt in your house colour. May the best house win!

Dementia Trust Coffee Morning at the Legion

Date: 12th May 2024

Time: 10 am - 12pm

Where: Royal British Legion, Kingham

There will be tea, coffee and cakes galore, a fantastic raffle and games for all.

All proceeds will go to the Dementia Trust. This event will be run by George Plant aged 9 (from Kingham Primary School)



Times Tables Rockstars (TTRS)

Congratulations to the following students for their hard work on TTRS over the last 6 days.

Most minutes:

Gold 150pts Harry L, Year 5 OTTERS

Silver 100pt Will, Year 1, ROBINS

Bronze 50pts Olivia, Year 1, OWLS

Highest minutes by class: Year 3

Highest scores by class: Year 4



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May 14th 7-8pm

Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE gives a one hour online talk explaining what we can do to reduce the symptoms of depression.

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Diary Dates

Mon 13 May	Book Fair (until Tuesday 14 th)
w/b 13 May	Year 6 SATs week
Weds 15 May	U10s Chipping Norton rugby tournament
Thurs 16 May	Y5 Parent Meeting - Residential Trip 3:15pm
Fri 17 May	Interhouse Orienteering
Fri 17 May	Year 1 Class Assembly
Sat 18 May	Kingham Fun Run
Fri 24 May	Student Council Charity Day (Pyjama Day)
Mon 20 May	Year 5/6 Road Safety Workshop pm
Mon 20 May	Nursery/Year 6 Open Doors – 3:20pm
Tues 21 May	Reception/Year 5 Open Doors – 3:20pm
Tues 21 May	KPSA Zoom Meeting 8pm
Weds 22 May	Year 1/Year 2 Open Doors – 3:20pm
Weds 22 May	Year 5/6 trip to Gloucester Mosque
Thurs 23 May	Year 3/Year 4 Open Doors – 3:20pm
Fri 24 May	Year 5 Class Assembly
Fri 24 May	Last day of half term
Mon 3 Jun	INSET Day
Tues 4 Jun	First day back
Sun 9 Jun	Churchill Car Show
Tues 11 Jun	Nursery trip to Science Oxford
Thurs 13 Jun	Year 5 Residential (Windmill Farm 2 days)
Thurs 13 Jun	KPSA Quiz Night
Fri 28 Jun	Reception Trip to Cotswold Farm Park



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