



Kingham Primary School

Always learning to be our best

Bulletin

20 September 2024

Message From Chris Davies, Chair of Governors

Welcome to the new school year at Kingham!

My role is to lead the governor team to oversee the governance and effectiveness of the school and support the Headteacher and staff to deliver on our mission and ambitions.



The results from the previous Year 6 place Kingham in the top 2% of state schools in England. That isn't by accident. The hard work and joy of learning our children are encouraged to develop is built on a diverse and creative curriculum, superb teachers and a school strategy that strives to provide an outstanding education for every child.

The governor team are a group of parents and local people who bring their skills and experience from outside education to invest in the success of Kingham. We routinely visit lessons to track how improvements are being made to the curriculum, chatting to staff and students. We review and monitor the school's finances, performance and standards and try not to eat all the biscuits in the staff room during meetings!

But we are only one part of the whole school community. The new technology classroom is testament to the hard work and fundraising efforts of the KPSA. We had the chance to test it out during a recent governors meeting and I'm happy to report the full-size seats were a wonderful change from the mini versions! We are all looking forward to seeing the children enjoy and make the most of the new classroom.

I hope you've taken the time to read our OFSTED inspection report. We are hugely proud of the whole of the Kingham team - the last few years have seen the school on tenterhooks - 13 years of waiting for the phone call. Several of the governors were involved in the inspection interviews and we can vouch that it was an intensely focused and pressured environment. Well done to all the staff team and to the children for achieving an excellent report. The inspectors made particular mention of the glowing feedback and comments from parents - thank you for taking the time to speak to the inspection team and completing the online form.

We are now in a position to learn from the report and step into the new academic year with confidence and pride in the achievement of our children and future direction for the school.

Times Tables Rockstars (TTRS)

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

Most minutes:

Gold	150pts	Rosa-Grace, Year 5	OTTERS
Silver	100pt	Sophie, Year 2	STAGS
Bronze	50pts	Islay, Year 3	OTTERS

Highest minutes by class: Year 5

Highest scores by class: Year 5



Parent Phonics Workshop

Parents of children in Reception are invited to a phonics meeting on Thursday 26th September at 9am in the School Hall. The meeting is to tell you more about our phonics scheme and discuss how you can help your child with their reading at home. Parents with older children who missed this session in previous years are also welcome to attend.

Junior Interhouse Football

On Thursday 3rd October students in Years 3 to 6 will be taking part in our annual inter-house football competition. We ask that students bring in their PE kit with trainers (not boots) and shin pads. Children can choose to either wear their gold PE top, or a sports top in their house colour.

Student Eco Warriors

We are excited to announce our search for a team of student Eco Warriors. Children in Years 2 to 6 are invited to prepare a talk to their class (max 1 minute) on why they think they will be a good Eco representative. Two children will be chosen from each class to join the team that will encourage our school to be even more eco-friendly. Mrs McFaul will be leading the team and cannot wait to get started. Students who wish to apply must be ready to speak to their class over the next two weeks, at a suitable time chosen by their class teacher. Watch this space to find out who gets voted into our new Eco Team!



Early Years Lego Sale - Friday 27 September

Our Early Years Team is fundraising for a new sandpit and selling some surplus Lego they have been gifted.



Lego will be sold by the bag on Friday after school in the playground. Bags are provided so you can pick your own pieces and fill your bag - £2.50 a bag. There is a huge range of colours, blocks and pieces such as aeroplane parts, police cars, plants, car parts and lots more to build up your Lego collection at home. *Come and support Early Years to buy a new sandpit!*

Microsoft Help Required

If any parents have expertise in using *Power Automate*, we would really appreciate 15 minutes of your time to help fix a bug with one of our systems. Please contact the office or email office.2106@kingham.oxon.sch.uk.

Woodwind Lessons for students in Years 3-6

Following the woodwind demonstration in assembly on Monday this week, if your child is in Year 3 or above and interested in starting lessons in school on either the Clarinet, Saxophone or Flute, please contact our woodwind teacher, Mrs Rosie Meyrick-Müller, directly on 0789 908 5613 or email rosiemeyrick@yahoo.co.uk

Chipping Norton Skatepark

Chipping Norton Town Council is thrilled to share that Maverick Skateparks, one of the top skatepark builders in the UK, has been selected to bring the proposed new skatepark to life. Maverick Skateparks is renowned for creating fun places to skate, and now they're ready to work their magic in Chippy! Maverick Skateparks wants to make sure that the design for the skatepark at New Street play area is perfect and are asking local people to share their ideas in a quick survey, so the park is exactly what you want.

Please take the time to complete the survey here: <https://www.maverickskateparks.co.uk/chippingnorton>

Diary Dates

Mon 23 Sep	Flu Vaccinations
Thurs 26 Sep	Phonics Parent Workshop -Reception Parents
Mon 30 Sep	Year 6 at Mary Arden's Farm
Weds 2 Oct	CNPS U11s Football Tournament
Thurs 3 Oct	Junior Interhouse Football
Thurs 3 Oct	Individual/sibling photographs (am)
Sun 6 Oct	<u>Chipping Norton Theatre Fun Run</u>
Mon 7 Oct	Black History Week
Thurs 10 Oct	Year 2 at British Motor Museum
Tues 15 Oct	Author Visit to KS2 – Fleur Hitchcock
Fri 11 Oct	Year 1 Class Assembly (2:45pm)
Weds 16 Oct	CNPS U11s Boccia Tournament
Thurs 17 Oct	Year 5 Gloucestershire Steam Railway Trip
Fri 18 Oct	Year 4 Class Assembly (2:45pm)
Mon 21 Oct	Year 3 and Year 4 Open Door
Tues 22 Oct	Reception and Year 5 Open Door
Weds 23 Oct	CNPS U9s / U1 1s Cross Country
Weds 23 Oct	Year 1 and Year 2 Open Door
Thurs 24 Oct	Nursery and Year6 Open Door
Thurs 24 Oct	Junior Halloween Disco 4:30pm
Fri 25 Oct	Last day of half term
Mon 4 Nov	INSET Day
Tues 5 Nov	First day back
Thurs 7 Nov	Year 3 Stone Age Trip to Hill End
Thurs 7 Nov	Year 4 trip to Lunt Roman Fort
Weds 6 Nov	Parents Evening (3:30 - 7pm)
Thurs 7 Nov	Parents Evening (3:30 - 6pm)
Fri 8 Nov	Remembrance at the Peace Stone (10:40am)
Mon 11 Nov	Anti-Bullying Week
Fri 15 Nov	Children in Need
Weds 20 Nov	CNPS U11s Netball
Fri 22 Nov	Year 6 Street Dance Workshop
Fri 22 Nov	Reception Class Assembly (2:45pm)
Weds 27 Nov	CNPS U11s Sports Hall Athletics
Fri 29 Nov	Year 2 Class Assembly (2:45pm)
Weds 4 Dec	CNPS U9s Ball Festival
Thurs 5 Dec	CNPS U11s Literary Quiz
Fri 6 Dec	Year 6 Class Assembly (2:45pm)
Fri 20 Dec	Last day of Autumn Term
Mon 6 Jan	INSET Day
Tues 7 Jan	First day back

Value of the Month: Responsibility

Responsibility:

is being fair

is doing my share of the work

is taking care of myself, others and the



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Lego Sale

Lego for sale 'as good as new'

Friday 27th September

After School, in the playground outside

Early Years

£2.50 a bag



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