



Kingham Primary School

Always learning to be our best

Bulletin

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Children in Need

Thank you to everyone for supporting Children in Need this week! It was brilliant to see pupils and staff wearing yellow and spots. Our Student Councillors did a fantastic job selling Pudsey merchandise and, thanks to your generosity, we raised £446 for children and young people across the UK. Well done, everyone - we appreciate your incredible support throughout the week.



Lower Junior Trip to Gloucester Cathedral

On Wednesday this week, Year 3 and 4 students enjoyed an exciting trip to Gloucester Cathedral. Pupils were amazed by the stunning architecture and rich history of the building as they learned about how the cathedral was constructed and discovered its connections to famous kings and queens — and even *Harry Potter*!



Students also had the chance to step back in time by dressing up in habits and following in the footsteps of the monks who once lived and worshipped in Gloucester. They explored the monastic traditions of the Cathedral, including daily routines such as washing in the lavatorium.

It was a memorable day that brought history to life and left our pupils inspired by the wonders of this extraordinary building.

Parent Survey

Thank you to everyone who has already completed our Survey. There is still time to share your feedback and help us continue providing the best possible education for your child(ren). Please complete the survey for your child's age group by 3pm on Wednesday 26 November:

- Survey link: [Parent Survey Nursery Reception](#)
- Survey link: [Parent Survey Years 1 - 6](#)

Your views do make a difference – thank you for your support!

Top Ten Times Tables Rockstars (TTRS)

Congratulations to the following students for their hard work on TTRS over the last 7 days – 50 house points each.

Fran	OTTERS	Angus	STAGS
Sam	ROBINS	Kit	OTTERS
Felix	STAGS	Annabelle	STAGS
Sky	OWLS	Sadie	OWLS
Emme	STAGS	Masie C	OTTERS

Value of the Month: Tolerance

Tolerance:

is accepting myself and others
is knowing we are all different
is being understanding and open minded

Sharing Success

We'd like to say a big well done to Sarah Arthurs in our Nursery team, who has recently graduated with a degree in Early Childhood. This impressive achievement reflects her dedication to supporting our youngest learners at Kingham. Congratulations, Mrs Arthurs!



Message from the Chair of Governors

As Chair of Governors, I wanted to take a moment to share a little about who we are and what we do. But first, I'd like to say that, on behalf of the governing board, our thoughts have very much been with everyone in the school community this past week following the sad news about Catherine Harrison. Her dedication, passion, and kindness have left a lasting mark on Kingham, and she will be greatly missed. The governing board is a group of people who care deeply about our school and all the children who learn here. We work closely with the headteacher and staff to make sure the school continues to be a happy, nurturing, and high-achieving environment for every pupil. While we don't get involved in the day-to-day running of the school, we do help set its vision, celebrate successes, and ensure that the right support and resources are in place to help every child succeed.



Our governing board is made up of a wonderful mix of parents, staff, and members of the local community. Each of us brings different skills and experiences, but we all share one goal - to make our school the very best it can be. We ask questions, listen carefully, and work as a team to support the school's ongoing improvement. It's a really rewarding role, and one that gives us a real sense of pride in seeing our children flourish.

The governing board is an important part of our school family, and we always want to stay connected with you, our parents and carers. If you ever see us at school events, please do stop and say hello! And if you'd like to know more about what we do, or you are thinking about getting involved, we'd love to chat. Together, we can help our school continue to grow and thrive.

Chris Davies, Chair of the Governing Body

Diary Dates

Weds 19 Nov	CNPS U11s Netball
Thurs 20 Nov	Year 3 Stone Age Trip to Hill End
Thurs 20 Nov	Year 1 visiting Chippy Fire Station
Fri 21 Nov	Year 5 Class Assembly (2:45pm)
Tues 25 Nov	Year 5 Solar System VR Workshop (am)
Tues 25 Nov	Printing Workshops (Y1 and Y2)
Weds 26 Nov	CNPS U11s Sports Hall Athletics
Weds 26 Nov	Printing Workshops (Y5 and Y6)
Thurs 27 Nov	Printing Workshops (Y3 and Y4)
Thurs 27 Nov	Year 5/6 Fire Safety Workshop
Tues 2 Dec	KPSA Movie Night
Weds 3 Dec	CNPS U9s Ball Festival
Fri 5 Dec	Year 6 Class Assembly (2:45pm)
Tues 9 Dec	Infant Nativity Performance 2pm
Tues 9 Dec	CNPS U11s Literary Quiz
Weds 10 Dec	Infant Nativity Performance 2pm
Thurs 11 Dec	Infant Nativity Performance 5pm
Thurs 11 Dec	Choir at Kingham Lunch Club
Fri 12 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day (£2)
Fri 12 Dec	Christmas Dinner
Fri 12 Dec	Interhouse Orienteering
Mon 15 Dec	Rock Bands Concert (9:30am)
Tues 16 Dec	Junior Carol Concert (Churchill Church 6pm)
Wed 17 Dec	Pantomime in the School Hall (am)
Thurs 18 Dec	Infant Christmas Parties (am)
Thurs 18 Dec	KPSA Junior Disco (pm)
Fri 19 Dec	Rec-Y6 at Kingham Church Service (am)
Fri 19 Dec	Last day of Autumn Term (finish at 2pm)
Mon 5 Jan	INSET Day
Tues 6 Jan	First day back

Mrs. Harrison

There is a sadness in our hearts, a missing piece in our school,
A jigsaw never whole again, as you rest beyond sky of cottonwood.
Last night I wished upon a star that it wasn't really true,
It's so hard to believe we are now without you.

The cypress leaves on the trees dance a little slower,
The trill of the wench bell rings a little lower.
The joyful sounds of the playground a little duller in my ears,
The memories of you bringing me to tears.

But then I feel your encouraging words reach out to me,
And I remember your dedication to us children - so clear for all to see.

You inspired a love of learning and gifted me vocabulary I never knew;
You brought Shakespeare to my world - and to so many others before me too.
We spent hours together lost in Phillip Pullman books, our favourite Northern Lights,
Speaking of daemons - your black cat and my squirrel monkey - taking reading to new heights.

So I realise you are still here, in every corner of our school -
An everlasting presence within the year 6 classroom walls.
You once told me you loved this quote from Hamlet - it will always stay with me:
"We know what we are, but not what we may be."

Sleep peacefully Mrs Harrison "And flights of angels sing thee to thy rest."

Love from, Grace