KINGSBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 17 – 17th January 2025 www.kingsbridgeprimary.co.uk

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a calm and purposeful week at school. I have had the opportunity to visit all classes and have started this term's round of meetings with teachers to discuss the progress of the children in their classes. Please remember that if you would like an update on your child's learning, the teachers will be happy to speak to you.

Unfortunately, quite a few adults and children have been suffering with the nasty cough/sickness bug that is doing the rounds this week. If your child's regular adult has been missing this week, it is because they have been unwell. Hopefully everyone will be feeling much better after the weekend.

We are looking for donations of headphones (see pictured) to support learning. If you have any unwanted pairs, please contact Miss Macro.



Maths Revision Videos

Miss Thom, one of our Year Six teachers and maths lead, has started a maths revision YouTube channel. She will continue, to upload videos which will support your child with maths work at home. Topics covered will include long multiplication, division techniques, addition, subtraction and more. Please find her videos at: @MissThom96

Year Four

This week, the children have started their new History topic, The Vikings which they are really enjoying. In PE they have been learning a Viking dance which involves a count of eight and lots of teamwork. In Computing, the children have been enjoying using the LOGO Turtle Academy to draw shapes by writing codes to make the turtles move. They must be really accurate and if it doesn't draw the correct shape, they need to debug what they have written.







RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch

RSPB Big Garden birdwatch 24 - 26 January 2025

https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch?sourcecode=BWMEMM0014&utm_source=20241211_EBGB_BGBW-2025-Reg-Launch-NatCham&utm_medium=email&utm_term=&utm_content=8&utm_campaign=bgbw25

Forest School Lunchtimes

Forest School Spring Term			
23-Jan	Cypress		
30-Jan	Elder		
06-Feb	Elm		
13-Feb	Hawthorn		
06-Mar	Holly		
13-Mar	Pine		
20-Mar	Poplar		
27-Mar	Horse Chestnut		
03-Apr	Oak		

Cypress class will be going next week. Children in this class will need to bring appropriate clothing to change into. They will also need a packed lunch. For children in receipt of free school meals or any children who would like to buy one, these can be provided by the school kitchen. If you would like a school packed lunch, please tell your child's teacher no later than Monday.

Attendance

Thank you for all your efforts to maximise the children's attendance. Our children's attendance this year is significantly higher than at this time last year. Please be aware that any parent taking their child on an unauthorised holiday of five or more days will receive a penalty notice. This link explains penalty notices for parents: School absence penalty notices – Education and Families

The attendance this week can be seen below. Well done to Elder for having the best attendance in the school this week.

Cedar 97% Cypress 95% Elm 90% Elder 99%	
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Holly 92% Hawthorn 94%	
Pine 97% Poplar 91%	
Oak88%Horse Chestnut96%	

Whole School 91.7%

Celebration Assembly, Friday 10th January 2025

Congratulations to our CARE Champions

1	Acorn	Gra	ace	Cherry	Magni	Con	ker	Riley
	Cedar			Julius	Cypress		Lottie	
	Elm			Evan	Elder	er Poppy		Poppy
Holly			Alfie	Hawthorn			Mia H	
	Pine			Muzamil	Poplar			Josh
Oak			Jayden	Horse Chest	nut		Thomas	



Star Class - Horse Chestnut

Yours sincerely

Gareth Howells

Headteacher

C. P. Howelly

<u>Dates for your Diary - 2024/25</u>

DAY/S	DATE/S	Class	Event
Wednesday	22 nd January	Rec & Year 6	Height & Weight
			Measurement
Monday - Friday	10 th - 14 th February	Year 6	Residential
Monday - Friday	17 th - 21 st February	Whole School	Half Term
Wednesday	26th February	Whole School	PTFA Bags2School
Monday – Friday	3 rd - 7 th March	Whole School	Parents Evening
Thursday	13th March	Whole School	PTFA Disco
Friday	21st March	Whole School	Non-Pupil Day
Friday	4 th April	Whole School	End of Term
Tuesday	22 nd April	Whole School	Start of Term
Wednesday - Friday	7th to 9th May	Year 4	Residential
Monday – Thursday	12th -15th May	Year 6	Year 6 SATS
Monday - Friday	26th - 30th May	Whole School	Half Term
Monday - Friday	2 nd June - 6 th June	Year 6	Bikeability
Thursday	12 th June	Whole School	PTFA Bags2School
Monday – Friday	2 nd – 13 th June	Year 4	Year 4 Multiplication Check
Friday	4 th July	Whole School	Sports Day
Friday	11 th July	Whole School	Reserve Sports Day
Monday	14 th July	Whole School	Reports Home
Friday	18 th July	Whole School	End of Term

Dates for your Diary - 2025/26

DAY/S	DATE/S	Class	Event
Thursday	4 th September	Whole School	Start of Term
Monday – Friday	27th - 31st October	Whole School	Half Term
Friday	19th December	Whole School	End of Term
Monday	5 th January	Whole School	Start of Term
Monday – Friday	16 th -20 th February	Whole School	Half Term
Thursday	2 nd April	Whole School	End of Term
Monday	20th April	Whole School	Start of Term
Monday	4 th May	Whole School	Bank Holiday
Monday - Friday	25th -29th May	Whole School	Half Term
Friday	17 th July	Whole School	End of Term