



KINGSCLERE C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Edition 25 – Friday 17 March 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for your patience this week during the NEU strike action.

This week the children have enjoyed a variety of events in school including activities linked to British Science Week and we look forward to seeing the children's completed posters next week.

We are hugely proud of our Year 5/6 football team who came first place against other local schools in a football tournament at Park House. Well done to Eleanor, Immy, Mia, Lucy, Molly, Isabelle, Holly, Olivia and Amelie! The children played really well as a team and we look forward to finding further opportunities for our keen footballers in the future.

Thank you to everyone who took part in supporting Red Nose Day today. The children dressed in clothes that made people smile – a particular favourite was the Tyrannosaurus Rex costume!

The children have been practising their singing in preparation for their performance of 'Roll Back the Stone', at St. Mary's Church on Friday 31st March at 14:00. We warmly invite all parents, carers, family members and friends to join us at the church on this day. The children will perform from the altar area and choir stalls and the audience will be seated in the main body of the church pews. We hope you can join us – the singing sounds great!

Our Year R children prepared a wonderful afternoon tea for their mummies and performed a song along with musical percussion instruments. The children had also created a video about their mummies and prepared some of the food for the occasion. Well done Ash Class!

We wish all our Kingsclere CE Primary School mums a very Happy Mother's Day this weekend!

Kind regards,

Jo Messenger

Acting Headteacher

Notices and Diary Dates

Grounds Day - Wednesday 22 March

On Wednesday next week, all children will spend some of the day taking part in some outdoor learning that links to their current curriculum areas. They will need to wear weather appropriate clothing that can be easily washed, shoes/boots that will keep their feet warm and dry all day and a waterproof coat please. Some of our older children are venturing off site for grounds day this year - so keep a look out for them around the village! The children are sure to have a great day. Many thanks. Mrs Bowden

Mothering Sunday Service

St Mary's will be holding a Mothering Sunday service at 10.30 on 19th March. It will be an all-age service with an activity for the children, and a little gift for Mums. All are welcome to attend the service.

Twinning Bedbug Drive

Unfortunately, the Twinning Bedbug Drive has had to be postponed. Please look out for details of its re-arrangement later in the year. Apologies to all those who intended to come.



Easter Trail in Aid of Busy Bees Kingsclere Preschool

An Easter Trail in Aid of Busy Bees Kingsclere Preschool, on Monday 3rd April from 10:00 – 13:00, for children aged 3 – 7 years will be taking place at Frith Farm. Details were sent out via a Weduc this week. To purchase tickets you can go to, 'Kingsclere Busy Bees Pre School Easter Egg Trail' on Eventbrite or use the following link: <https://frithfarmeaster.eventbrite.co.uk/>

World Sleep Day

Today is World Sleep Day. The theme this year is **Sleep is Essential for Health.** Sleep is the essential foundation of physical, mental and social wellbeing. There are some resources below linked to the theme and guidance for parents/carers to support children's sleep health:

- Children and young people can explore the **Health4Kids** and **Health4Teens** pages on sleep
- **ChatHealth** is a way for parents/carers and 11-19-year-olds to text a school nurse to find out about local services and get confidential help and support. Text 07507 332160, Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm (excluding bank holidays)
- For parents and carers, Hampshire Safeguarding Children Partnership has a **resource about sleep in teenagers** - including how to help young people sleep better and start conversations about sleep habits
- **Healthier Together** has **sleep advice** for parents and carers of children aged 0-11
- If a young person aged 11-25 is struggling to sleep due to their mental wellbeing, such as anxiety or depression, or lack of sleep is affecting their mental wellbeing they can sign up to **Kooth** for free online counselling and emotional wellbeing support from qualified counsellors.

Do you work for a company who could support Kingsclere CE Primary School?

If you work for a company that supports local communities, e.g., Vodafone/Barclays and could support us in painting our Year R fencing area and our resources area, we would be very grateful to hear from you. Please contact Mrs Messenger.

Calendar Dates

(These dates can also be found on the Weduc calendar)

Date	Event
Tuesday 21 March	Cross Country Event – KS2
Wednesday 22 March	Grounds Half Day/Day
Thursday 23 March	Parent/Carer Consultation Evening
Friday 31 March	Easter Cantata Performance Whole School 14:00 at St. Mary's church – all welcome!
	Last Day of Spring Term – finish at 15:15
Monday 3 April – Friday 14 April	Easter Holiday
Wednesday 19 April	Sir Harold Hillier Gardens Trip for Year 1 and 2
Monday 22 April – 16 April	Walk to School Week
Monday 1 May	May Day Bank Holiday – School closed to pupils
Monday 8 May	Coronation Bank Holiday – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 9 May – Friday 12 May	Year 6 SATS week
Friday 12 May	Bag2School
Monday 22 May – 26 May	Walk to School Week
Wed 24 – Friday 26 May	Year 5/6 Residential
Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June	May Half term
Monday 5 June	INSET DAY
Tuesday 6 June	Sports Week Activities



Friday 9 June	Sports Day Year R + KS1: 09:15 – 11:45 Picnic Lunch with Parents/Carers KS2: 13:15 – 15:00
Thursday 15 June	Year 3/4 Watercress Line Trip
Tuesday 4 July	iSingPOP event at St. Mary's – all year groups. Further details to be sent out after Easter
Wednesday 12 July	13:15 Year 5 and 6 School Play
Thursday 13 July	18:00 Year 5 and 6 School Play
Monday 17 July	Swimming Gala Year 3/4: 09:15 – 10:15 Year 5/6: 10:45 – 11:45
Tuesday 18 July	Grounds Day
Wednesday 19 July	Whole School Walk
Friday 21 July	Last day of the summer term – finish at 15:15