



# Kingsclere CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for Sports Day on Wednesday. The children showed resilience throughout and were supportive to one another in each race, our KPS Marathon and at each activity station. We were so proud of each child's participation – well done children! A huge thank you to Mrs Dannii Randall-Bird and her brilliant PE students from The Hurst School who helped our children in their sport activities. Well done to all the mums, dads, aunts, uncles, sisters, brothers and grandparents who took part in the family races. It was wonderful to see so many family members get involved. Thank you to our super FKS who provided refreshments and pre-loved uniform sales. The weather was perfect for us all – how lucky we are!

Prior to half term, our Year 5 and 6 had a brilliant time taking part in the many activities at Calshot Residential. Activities including archery, climbing, skiing, snowboarding, kayaking and visiting Calshot Castle. In the castle, each group performed a play linked to a key historical event that took place at Calshot. The children's performances were great to watch.

The half term tennis school went very well with approximately 25 children attending each session. We have a further summer holiday sports camp taking place in August and details will follow shortly. We have also set-up swimming lessons in the school pool with Cali Swim School, the lesson will start on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June. Full details have been sent out today via Reach More Parents.

## **Art**

Simon Murray, author and illustrator of children's fiction books, led art workshops with many year groups this week. The children created some brilliant illustrations in Simon's artistic style. Well done all!

## **Lead Learning Partner Review**

We are delighted with our Hampshire Lead Learning Partner Report. LLPs carry out annual visits each year in schools to audit and review the quality of education, behaviour and attitudes, personal development and leadership and management. Below are some short excerpts from the report:

*'...of teaching and learning observed, pupils are highly engaged and hang on the words of the teachers. This is because teachers have clear expectations of the learning, the learning behaviours and ensure that the learning tasks are enticing. They have also enabled the learning environments so that pupils can access concrete resources to support their thinking...teachers clearly identify the learning, unpick this with the pupils with clarity and simplicity, and understand how to use their assessment for learning effectively to ensure pupils receive work that is correctly targeted for improvement.'*

*'Leaders of the school continue to hold safeguarding in the highest regard.'*

*'Learning support assistants (LSAs) are used to excellent effect, either contributing through questioning, leading smaller group sessions, or simply in quietly re-engaging pupils who need further support.'*

*'Subject leaders understand the strengths and areas for development within their subject area. This has been through book looks, pupil conferencing and where possible, observing teaching...subject leaders have worked hard to ensure that learning is being tailored to meet the*

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*needs of the pupils in class. They have identified the steps in knowledge that pupils need to acquire and have reviewed and adapted the curriculum planning to secure this.'*



Our next steps are to further develop enabled learning environments, including working walls, so that pupils can clarify their thinking.

### **D-Day Commemoration**

Our Year 5 and Year 6 children took part in the village D-Day Commemoration Service. Our Upper Key Stage 2 children have recently been learning about D-Day and have used their learning to write some outstanding compositions which are extremely engaging to read. Well done children and thank you to Jason Hart from the British Legion for organising.

Have a super weekend.

Kind regards,

Jo Messenger

Headteacher

### **Notices**

#### **A plea from Year R . . .**

If you are having a sort out over the coming weeks or are looking to declutter, Year R would be very grateful recipients of any of the following:

- Clean fabric – offcuts, scarves, pillowcases, bed sheets etc
- Children's wooden table and chairs
- Garden containers/ planters
- Low coffee table
- Storage baskets
- Double sided easel
- Rolls of wallpaper
- Ikea Kallax style unit (or similar)
- Children's activity table with space for trays

If you are able to donate any of the items above, please speak to Mrs Bowden in Ash Class. Many thanks.

#### **Year 6 Transition Resources**

Year 6 parents/carers may be interested in clicking on the following link to support your child transitioning to Secondary School in September:

[https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/moving-to-secondary-school-online-safety-guide/?utm\\_campaign=167089\\_DMNL%2023%2005%2024%20-%20BSSS%20Campaign%20-%20DM%20Only&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=DotDigital&dm\\_i=7MSZ,3KXD,1HNVBP,ERUO,1](https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/moving-to-secondary-school-online-safety-guide/?utm_campaign=167089_DMNL%2023%2005%2024%20-%20BSSS%20Campaign%20-%20DM%20Only&utm_medium=email&utm_source=DotDigital&dm_i=7MSZ,3KXD,1HNVBP,ERUO,1)



### **Water Safety Advice**

Please click on the link below regarding water safety advice for your child(ren):

<https://www.hampshirescp.org.uk/parents-and-carers/water-safety/>

### **Attendance**

Ash won our Year R and Key Stage 1 Attendance Ted with 100% and Chestnut won the Key Stage 2 Attendance Ted with 95.65 %. School opens at 08:45 each day. Thank you to all our parents/carers who ensure their child(ren) arrives on time so they have the best possible start to the school day.

### **Art Exhibition**

Thank you to all that attended our art exhibition to see our Year R, 1 and 2 art work. Thank you also to FKS for providing refreshments at this event. The event raised £225 for school improvements and resources. Thank you to everyone who supported

# Kingsclere CE Primary School Invite you to attend our Musical Soiree! Thursday July 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

All families are welcome to attend this wonderful evening of live performances from individual instrumentalists as well as our fabulous choirs!

Refreshments will be available during the interval to purchase from FKS.

If there are any other performers who would like to have the opportunity to play in front of a supportive audience, but have not yet signed up, then please let Mrs Bowden know by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June.



Next week our artist of the week is...

## Artist of the Week: Brendan Jamison

*Irish Sculptor*

**1979 – Now**



**Number 10 Downing Street Door, 2012**



### Best known for:

Making sculptures using sugar cubes! He uses special sculpting tools to shape the sugar cubes, and an adhesive to bind them together..

### Interesting Fact:

In 2012, he created a sugar sculpture of 10 Downing Street, which is exhibited inside the real building.



**Great Wall of China, 2013**



## Kingsclere CE Primary School Calendar Dates 2024

Date	Event	What pupils should wear please
Tuesday 18 June	Year R Intergenerational Meet up	School uniform and coat if wet/cold
Thursday 20 June	Newbury & District Swimming Gala – KS2 invited pupils	Swimming kit, two towels, snack and water bottle. Arrive at school at 08.15
Thursday 4 July	Music Soiree Performance – 18:00 – 19:00. Join us to see our choirs, small ensembles and solo instrumentalist performances!	School Uniform for all performers
Wednesday 10 July	Y5 and Y6 Performance 13:15	Costume details will be sent home soon after children begin preparing for their show
Thursday 11 July	Y5 and Y6 Performance 18:30	
Friday 12 July	Last day of school led clubs	
Saturday 13 July and Sunday 14 July	Campout Weekend for all families of Kingsclere CE Primary School run by Friends of Kingsclere CE Primary School (FKS)	
Sunday 14 July	Kingsclere CE Primary School choir concert event with Kingsclere Singers. Timings TBC	School uniform please
Monday 15 July	Y3 and Y4 Swimming Gala 10.00 – 11.30 am	Year 3 and 4 children to wear PE kit to school and bring swimming kit
Tuesday 16 July	School Grounds Day	Outdoor clothing with sensible footwear and a wet weather coat
Wednesday 17 July	Y5 and Y6 Swimming Gala 10.00 – 11.30 am Y5 and Y6 Oscars Evening 6.30 pm	Year 5 and 6 children to wear PE kit to school and bring swimming kit
Monday 22 July	Whole School Walk with picnic lunch	Outdoor clothing with sensible footwear and a wet weather coat
Tuesday 23 July	Last day of term. Y6 Leavers Service at St Mary's Church 9.30 am. All Year 6 parents/carers and families welcome to attend Year 6 lap of honour in the school playground 15:00 – all parents/carers welcome	School Uniform
Wednesday 24 July	Summer Holiday Begins	
INSET DAYS for the next academic year 2024 - 2025	2nd September 2024, 3rd September 2024, 25th October 2024, 6th January 2024, 30th June 2025	

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