

Pupils of the Week				
	Betty Bee Award	Wilbur Woodpecker Award	Olive Owl Award	Samuel Squirrel Award
Kingfishers	Fraizer & Edith	Mia, Raffy & Ollia	Lily	--
Jackdaws	Ethan & Charlie	Harvey	--	--
Ospreys	Isabelle	Xander	Louis	Macey

Dear Parents

It has been lovely to welcome the new reception children into school, looking all grown up in their uniforms. Mrs Brogan and I are continuing to carry out home-visits to our new pupils which has also been enjoyable and amusing at times!

NEWSLETTERS

I have returned to completing the newsletters on a Friday. It is really important to keep an eye on these weekly updates as it is the main way that we can cascade information to our school community. These newsletters are always available on the school website:

<https://www.kilmington-primary.org.uk/page/?title=Newsletters&pid=54>

OUTDOOR LEARNING

We will be continuing to access the outdoor learning area down at the local Forest School site this year. These visits will be in blocks of sessions throughout the year for each class, sticking to Thursday afternoons so lunchtimes will not be affected. Dates for all classes are on the "diary dates" at the end of the newsletters. Children will need to bring appropriate clothing on these dates to change into, as the area is left totally wild. Wellies are ideal and long trousers and long sleeved tops are essential to protect from brambles, stingers and insects. Enough clothing to keep warm and coats are essential on these dates.

ABSENCES

At this time in the year it is important to remind parents that I am unable to authorise any term-time holidays.

If your child is poorly, please telephone the school and leave a message on the dedicated absence line. I would also like to remind parents that if a child has had any incidences of vomiting and/or diarrhoea they **MUST** stay away from school for 48 hours since the last episode.

Each term I receive a report on attendance across the school and must challenge any attendance below 95%.

CLUBS

We will be starting some after school clubs and lunch time clubs that will start in the week beginning 2nd October and will run until 17th November. The list is still being finalised and we will share this as soon as it is complete.

BAT WALK ON KILMINGTON COMMON

Friday 22nd September 6.45pm (lasting about an hour and a half). Come along to identify what species of bat are around The Common before they begin to hibernate. Ruth Worsley, East Devon AONB will be leading the walk. Bring torches. For more details please speak to Judith, Devrim's grandmother.

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School Diary Dates

Our forthcoming events and diary dates are on our website listed in the *News & Events* section.

More specific details can be viewed online by clicking on the relevant event,
this will then display the letter content or additional information

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September 2023	
Mon 18 th	Pipits Walk
Tues 19 th	Reception Parents Phonics Workshop 3.40pm
Thurs 21 st	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 22 nd	Pipits Book Club – parents invited 3.00pm
Thurs 28 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
October	
Thurs 5 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 12 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 19 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Monday 23rd October – Friday 27th October Half-term	
November	
Thurs 9 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 16 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 23 rd	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 30 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
December	
Fri 1 st	Reception Vision Screening
Thurs 7 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 15 th	Last day of term
Monday 18th December – Monday 1st January Christmas Holidays	
TUESDAY 2nd JANUARY – NON PUPIL DAY	
January 2024	
Tues 2 nd	Non-pupil day – Staff Training
Wed 3 rd	Spring term begins for pupils
Thurs 11 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 18 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 25 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
February	
Thurs 1 st	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 8 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February Half Term	
Wed 21 st	Jackdaws Residential – PACKED LUNCH
Thurs 22 nd	Jackdaws Residential
Fri 23 rd	Jackdaws Residential
Thurs 29 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
March	
Thurs 7 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 14 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 21 st	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 28 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 29 th	BANK HOLIDAY – Good Friday
Monday 1st April – Friday 12th April Spring Break	
MONDAY 15th APRIL – NON PUPIL DAY	

April	
Mon 15th	Non-pupil day – Staff training
Tues 16th	Summer term begins for pupils
Thurs 25 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
May	
Thurs 2 nd	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Mon 6th	SCHOOL CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY
Thurs 9 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Mon 13 th – Thurs 16 th	Y6 SATS
Thurs 16 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 23 rd	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May Half Term	
June	
Thurs 13 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 20 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 27 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
July	
Thurs 4 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 11 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Tues 23 rd	Last day of term Whole School Picnic – PACKED LUNCH
Wed 24th	Non-pupil day - Staff Training
24th July start of Summer Holidays	