Kilmington Primary

School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 20.10.23

Nurturing Life Long Learning



Dear Parents

HAPPY HALF TERM EVERYONE!

I hope you all have a lovely half term next week with plenty of rest, relaxation and family time. If you have school lunches to order for the next half term, please do this by Thursday 26th October. The new menu is available with the added option of jacket potato on Wednesday as well. As a staff we would like to request that you involved your child in choosing their lunch options, children often tell us that they "don't like" whatever it is that they have been served, we assume that you will choose options that they like but obviously wouldn't force children to eat food they don't like so we do encourage them to eat their meal otherwise we worry that they will be hungry.

STATIONERY ITEMS

Some children have started to bring in personal stationery such as fancy pens, special pencils, novelty rubbers, and pencil cases to use when doing projects in class and also notepads, drawing pads that have been taken outside at playtimes. We have decided that the potential for upset over loss, breakages and squabbles over these items is too high and to avoid any such upset we have decided that we do not wish for the children to bring stationery items from home into school. I am sure that you will all agree that this is a good idea and relieves the pressure of having new / fancy bits that can actually be quite expensive! As a compromise, we will ensure that there is a collection of "fancy" stationery available for all children when doing special projects in school.

PARENTS' EVENINGS

The teachers are looking forward to meeting you in the week after half term. If you didn't manage to reserve a slot, please contact the class teacher and they will let you know which slots are still available.

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ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

If your child is missing school due to illness, please remember you must email or call the school EACH DAY before 9.00am

Please select **option 1** and leave a message on our absence line

The absence line is available ANYTIME before school opens

LATE ARRIVALS

Pupils arriving at school after 9.00am must be signed in at the school office by their parent/carer Pupils arriving after 9.10am are registered as an 'Unauthorised Absence'



Please remember, if your child arrives late or comes in or out of school at any other time for doctors' appointments, etc... then you must visit the school office to sign them in/out. We then have an absolute up-to-date record of who is in school at any moment during the school day — essential to fulfil our Safeguarding duties.

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

www.kilmington-primary.org.uk



October	
Monday 23 rd October – Friday 27 th October	
	Half-term
Mon 30 th	Kingfishers Parents Evening – by appointment / sign-up in the Pod
Tues 31 st	Pipits & Ospreys Parents' Evening – by appointment / sign-up in the Pod
November	
Wed 1 st	Pipits, Kingfishers, Jackdaws & Ospreys Parents Evening – by appointment / sign-up in the Pod
Thurs 2 nd	Jackdaws Parents Evening – by appointment / sign-up in the Pod
Thurs 2 nd	PTFA Cake Sale after school - Pipits and Jackdaws Classes to donate cakes
Tues 7 th	PTFA AGM – Hills Farm, Kilmington 7pm – ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND
Thurs 9 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Wed 15 th	Ospreys Museum Visit – PACKED LUNCH – parents transport 9.15-9.30am / 3.00-3.15pm
Thurs 16 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 23 rd	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Tues 28 th	Individual & Sibling (N1-Y6) Photographs (during school day)
Thurs 30 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
December	
Fri 1 st	Reception Vision Screening
Thurs 7 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 14 th	Christmas Carol Service St Giles Church –2.00pm & 5.30pm parents invited
	Non-uniform day – Christmas Jumpers
Fri 15 th	Christmas Lunch – bookings via ParentPay by Thursday 7 th December
	Last day of term
Monday 18 th December – Monday 1 st January	
Christmas Holidays	
TUESDAY 2 nd JANUARY – NON PUPIL DAY	
January 2024	Non-result day. Chaff Turkining
Tues 2 nd	Non-pupil day – Staff Training
Wed 3 rd Thurs 11 th	Spring term begins for pupils Vinefishers Outdoor Learning (often lunch)
Thurs 11 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 18 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
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February Thurs 1 st	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 8 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch) Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
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Half Term	
Wed 21 st	Jackdaws Residential – PACKED LUNCH
Thurs 22 nd	Jackdaws Residential – FACKED LONCH
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 21st	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 28 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 29 th	BANK HOLIDAY – Good Friday
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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 25th Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch) May Thurs 2nd Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch) Mon 6th SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY Thurs 9th Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch) Mon 13th -Y6 SATS Thurs 16th Thurs 16th Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch) Thurs 23rd Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch) Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May **Half Term** June Thurs 13th Class Photographs (morning) Thurs 13th Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch) Thurs 20th Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch) Thurs 27th Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch) July Thurs 4th Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch) Thurs 11th Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch) Last day of term Tues 23rd Whole School Picnic – PACKED LUNCH Wed 24th Non-pupil day - Staff Training 24th July start of Summer Holidays