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Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have made it! The first half-term is almost over so I wanted to take an opportunity to thank you for your support, your patience, your understanding and your generosity this half-term. I think it is important to think about all of the things we have done and achieved so far this academic year. Our wonderful Harvest Assemblies were most certainly one of the highlights for me! Thank you for your kind and generous donations to the Foodbank, too: we raised over £200!

Kingshill's attendance is currently above the national average, which is absolutely fantastic and I thank all of the parents for helping to make this happen. Thank you for bringing your child/children into school each day as much as you can. We can never underestimate the learning lost when your child is not in school so thank you so much!

As we go into half-term, we also want to make sure that your child/children have the opportunity to practise the reading and maths skills they have learnt this half-term. Mathletics and Read Write Inc. books and videos will be available throughout the week should you need these. Get in touch if there's anything you need.

During half-term our Reception garden will be receiving the next phase of its makeover so look out for changes when we return from the half-term break. We will also be continuing to fundraise with our School Council representatives to further improve our playground area so watch out for more exciting news soon.

If there's anything you need, please get in touch but in the meantime, have a well-deserved and restful half-term break.

Best wishes,
Mr Plumb

PARENTS' EVENINGS

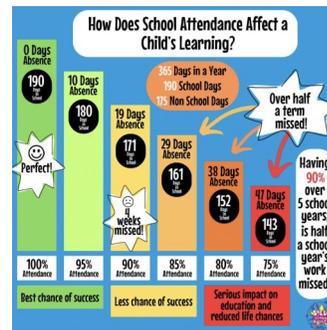
Parents' Evenings will be a face-to-face 10-minute session with your child's teacher in your child's classroom, held on:

Monday 20th November 2023 3:30 and 6.00 (R, Y1 and Y2) and 3:45 to 6.00 (Nursery)
Tuesday 21st November 2023 between 3:30 and 6.00 (R, Y1 and Y2) and 3:45 to 6.00 (Nursery)

We will be putting up the times on the classroom doors for you to choose your times at 3pm on Friday 3rd November. If you cannot make it to add your time, you can ask another parent to put your preferred time up for you. We will then take the time sheet down on Friday 10th November. If you haven't chosen a time by this date, we will be in touch to arrange a date.

SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS CANCELLED

A reminder that the Sports for Schools half term club had to be cancelled due to low numbers. Unfortunately their link for booking is still live, but bookings are not valid.



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NEXT FORTNIGHT

23-27/10—Half term holiday

31/10—Individual and sibling photos

02/11—Meet the teacher (Year 1 & 2)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

16/11—RWI workshop

17/11—Flu nasal spray for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

20 & 21/11—Parents Evenings

01/12—INSET day

21/12-03/01—Christmas holiday

04 & 05/01/24—INSET days

These dates are also available on the Kingshill website calendar, you can subscribe to this calendar and it will automatically download them to your phone or device. **Please go to NEWS AND EVENTS > CALENDAR > SUBSCRIBE TO THIS CALENDAR**

You are receiving this newsletter because you are a parent or carer of a pupil at Kingshill Infant School.
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TALKING TIP FROM OUR SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST: THE POWER OF PLAY

Children and adults of all ages benefit from learning through play. According to research by Dr. Karyn Purvis, scientists have discovered that it takes around 400 repetitions to create a new synapse in the brain, unless it is done in play, in which case it only takes 10 to 20 repetitions!! Play is magic! No matter what you play over half term, you will be nurturing learning for your child! Here are some play idea photos for you - Happy playing!

- Sand with pasta shapes.
- Conkers and playdough.
- Pumpkin seeds in a plastic wallet (make a pat mat).
- Decorate a pumpkin with craft.
- Make potions (use flowers/leaves).
- Hide toys in a box of conkers as a lucky dip.
- Decorate a leaf with stickers.
- Tap golf tees/cocktail sticks into a pumpkin.

CAN YOU HELP?

Crochet Talent?

Calling all crocheters! Nursery require 25 crocheted currant buns. If you, or someone you know, can help, please contact the school office. Thank you!

Unwanted dressing up costumes?

If you have any unwanted dressing-up costumes age 4 to 8 years, we will happily take them off your hands for our lunchtime activities areas. No Halloween-themed though, thank you.

Cup and saucer tea set that you no longer use?

We use cups and saucers for our hot chocolate and we need a new set. Before buying one, we wanted to see if anybody had an old set that they didn't use anymore. We would be extremely grateful for a new set for our Stars of the Week and Values Award winners. Many thanks in advance!

NEW ADULTS YOGA CLASS

A new gentle yoga with meditation class is starting at Kingshill on Monday 30th October 7-8pm. Six weeks is priced at £48. A typical session guides you through a breathing technique before flowing through a sequence linking movements into and out of postures with your breath, and is complimented with a meditation at the end. This class is suitable for all ages and levels, not just beginners and pregnant ladies are welcome too! To book please contact randa@breatheyogalondon.co.uk.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Last week

The weekly class attendance award went to Adepitan class with 99.26%
The whole school figure was 95.76%.

This week

The weekly class attendance award went to Johnson class with 99.55%
The whole school figure was 94.59%.

Thank you for continuing to ensure your child comes to school and on time.



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Learning for the next fortnight

For more detail, please follow this to link to our curriculum pages on the website.

NURSERY

Topic - all about me / celebrations
keeping healthy - healthy/ unhealthy foods
teeth brushing
inside our bodies
Role play hospital
L&S - environmental sounds
Maths - subitising
Intro to PE in the hall

RECEPTION

Week 1:

Phonics - Read Write Inc
Maths - 1 more, 1 less up to 3
Topic - Celebrations (Birthday, Wedding, Bonfire Night, Diwali)

Week 2:

Phonics - Read Write Inc
Maths - Composition of 1, 2, 3
Topic - Diwali Continued

YEAR 1

RWI: English: RWI
maths: adding, using the part whole model, understanding the += symbols
Geography: mapping skills-what are landmarks? What is a key?
History: technology- How has lighting in homes changed over time?
Science: looking at a range of objects and naming the material it is made from.
Describing some properties of the materials
Computing: logging into a computer and accessing a website Mondrian

YEAR 2

English: RWI
Maths: Number bonds to 20, and understanding the relationship between addition and subtraction.
Geography: The poles, and comparing the rainforest and Antartica.
History: Who was Katherine Johnson, and what did she do?
Computing: Inventing using their knowledge of computers and technology.
Science: Rural and urban habitats.

Please discuss your child's learning with them throughout the week. By asking them questions, you help to reinforce what they have been taught, support the transfer from short to long term memory and help improve your child's retrieval strength. All these things will support them in becoming life

Read Write Inc Home Learning Virtual Classroom Videos

For groups A, B, C, Ditty and Red

Fred Games!	Learning to Blend	Set 1 Word Time!
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If your child is in one of the colour groups below, their focus at home is to speed up their word reading:

Green	Purple	Pink	Orange	Yellow	Blue	Grey
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Special Educational Needs
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NETWORKING EVENT

Information and
advice for
parents and
carers



We invite you and your children along to
our free event

There will be representatives from multiple
agencies in attendance to share what
support they can offer.

Location:
Silver Birches Family Centre,
Ware, SG12 0AW

Time: 1.00pm-3.00pm
Date: Monday 30th October 2023

Here are some of the services that will be attending

Intensive Family Support Team
SPACE
Department for Work and Pensions
Young Carers
Hertfordshire Family Centre Service
HCC SEND local offer



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The Rotary Clubs of Amwell,
Hertford Shires, Ware & Hertford



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HILLMEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL, WOBURN AVENUE, BISHOPS STORTFORD, HERTS CM23 4PW
Beginners 4.30pm - 5.15pm Intermediate 5.15pm - 6.00pm Advanced 6.00pm - 7.00pm

TUESDAY

HIGH WYCH MEMORIAL HALL, SAWBRIDGEWORTH, HERTS CM21 0HX
Novice and Intermediate 4.45pm - 5.30pm
CHURCH LANGLEY WAY, HARLOW, ESSEX CM17 9TH
Beginners 4.45pm - 5.30pm

WEDNESDAY

SAWBRIDGEWORTH MEMORIAL HALL, THE FOREBURY, SAWBRIDGEWORTH, HERTS CM21 9BD
Beginners 4.30pm - 5.15pm
ST JAMES WITH ST LUKES CHURCH, STAPLE TYE, PERRY ROAD, HARLOW, ESSEX, CM18 7NP
Beginners 5.00pm - 5.45pm Intermediates & Advanced 5.45pm - 6.45pm

THURSDAY

AGE CONCERN HALL, PRIORY STREET, WARE, HERTS SG12 0DE
Beginners 4.15pm - 5.00pm Novice 5.00pm - 6.00pm

FRIDAY

R.A BUTLER INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL, SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX CB11 3DG
Beginners 4.30 - 5.15pm Novice 5.15 - 6.00pm Intermediate 6.00 - 6.45pm
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Beginners 4.30 - 5.15pm



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