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Friday 6th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you've had a fantastic fortnight. The children's attendance has been excellent in school and this is all thanks to you at home! Thank you for bringing your child into school everyday whenever possible.

Thank you for your kind and generous donations for our Harvest Festival this week- we were wowed by how generous you were with donations of food, household items and money to send to the local Foodbank.

I would also like to thank you for your extremely kind words to other prospective parents in the local area. Lots of prospective parents have been touring the school for September 2024 and they have expressed what kind words they've seen on social media or by word of mouth by current parents of Kingshill. We really appreciate it so thank you.

I would like to invite all parents from Reception to Year 2 to a Read Write Inc. Phonics Workshop next half-term, where I will troubleshoot issues with reading at home, support with IT to help you access the teaching videos and also show you how we teach the children to read. This workshop will be on Thursday 16th November from 2:30pm in the hall. Come along and enjoy a cuppa and a biscuit while we discuss supporting your child's reading at home.

Autumn term is always a busy time so I wanted to make sure you had key dates (excluding Christmas events as these will be coming soon!) in your diary for this term:

- Mental Health Day: Tuesday 10th October
- Parent Governor Elections: Beginning the week of the 30th October 2023 (please speak to the office or me for more details)
- Individual and Sibling Photos: Tuesday 31st October 2023
- Meet the Teacher: Thursday 2nd November at 2:45pm
- In-Person Parent Consultation Evenings: Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st November from 3:30/3:45 (Nursery) to 6pm

As always, if you have any feedback or need support at all, please do get in touch.

Have a wonderful weekend and I shall see you next week.

Best wishes, Mr Plumb

RAISING AWARENESS IN PINK

In aid of breast cancer awareness month, Mrs Finch will be wearing pink every day this month! For more information visit www.breastcanceruk.org.uk. Don't forget to go and check!

MENTAL HEALTH DAY

We will be marking Mental Health Day on Tuesday 10th October. The children will learn about what mental health is and how we can look after our own mental health. We would like the children to join the staff and come to school in non-uniform but wearing something green.

DO YOU PLAY AN INSTRUMENT?

We are looking for talented, musical parents to either show how to play an instrument in an assembly or be able to run a music club after school. We are keen that our children are exposed to more musical experiences that broaden their horizons. If you are a talented musician or know of one, please get in touch!

OCTOBER HALF TERM CAMP

Superstar Sports are back hosting a camp during October half term break, with lots of fun activities planned. Please see the following page for further details on how to book on.

TALKING TIP FROM OUR SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST

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NEXT FORTNIGHT

10/10 Mental Health Day—
Dress in Green

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

23-27/10—Half term holiday

31/10—Individual and sibling photos

02/11—Meet the teacher
(Year 1 & 2)

16/11—RWI workshop

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

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LIBRARY DAYS

If your child would like to change their library book, please make sure they bring the them in on the following days.

Armstrong - Wednesday (They will start bringing books home shortly)
Anning - Friday
Attenborough - Friday
Johnson - Tuesday
Scott - Thursday
Adepitan - Monday
Rosen - Wednesday

SCHOOL UNIFORM

A reminder to please ensure you name and label your childrens uniform. It is impossible to reunite children with lost uniform unless it is named.

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MR PLUMB'S PHONICS CHALLENGES

Tip 1) This is for you Reception! Practice blending the sounds you've learnt here with these 3 videos:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/uzgySEnu/O9gA7cAA> ,
<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/xC6xXp7j/CrdnFXgi> and
<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/hDRgerxd/OoG2czSu>

Tip 2) Hey, Year 1! Longer words can sometimes trip us up when reading. These need to be read slowly and given lots of practice time. Emphasising the second letter of the word has been known to help with this. Try these videos at home:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/9AwrJxM2/G2SIzMSO> ,
<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/oq8dqUYD/PKBAg8yU> and
<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/25GbghZr/6n4qVNYG>

Tip 3) A Challenge for you Year 2! Speeding up word reading is key to assure your child reads books fluently. Ask your child which group they are currently in and practice the appropriate video to encourage your child to read speedily (without sounding out the words).

These videos will have been sent out previously but this is something we feel needs lots of practice!

Green: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/f2AePIoF/rESzrwwH>
Purple: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/o1s7AUVc/U44qBmtX>
Pink: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/CcZxRqyx/HlqrwSqk>
Yellow: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/TbVEIYzm/fvMYTYr1>
Orange: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/7et2PhTo/FZj5JCNH>
Blue: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/r65ZMzuG/UyFN1DBs>
Grey: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/j5PwGjZo/LmL26MKx>

As always if you have any question or queries, please speak with me, Mr Plumb, the Early Reading Leader.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Last week:

The weekly class attendance award went to Attenborough class with 98.97%
The whole school figure was 96.62%.

This week:

The weekly class attendance award went to Rosen class with 98.59%
The whole school figure was 97.2%.

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 link](#) to our curriculum pages on the website.

NURSERY

Using our senses...touch, taste, smell
Baking bread and eating for snack
Maths... subitising, "what do you notice?"
Story, Little red Hen

Sharing our family books
Who lives in my house?
Noticing similarities and differences
Maths...Sorting and classifying.

RECEPTION

Maths: patterns and looking at the numbers 1, 2 and 3.
Topic: senses and materials
RWI: letters h, r, j, v, y, w, z, x, sh, th

YEAR 1

RWI: Coloured Storybooks and Speed Sound lessons
Science: Materials
RE: Sukkot (Jewish Festival)
Geography: Using a compass
History: Looking at past and present technology
PSHE: Feelings
Maths: addition. Learning part and whole
Geography: using a compass and using a map to follow a route
Art: creating a piece of art in style of Mondrian

YEAR 2

Maths: Counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s.
English: RWI
Geography: Physical and Human features of the rainforest, and which animals survive there.
History: Who was Emily Davison and what impact did she have.
Science: Habitats and microhabitats, focusing on the desert.
Art: Completing and evaluating a masterpiece based on work by Susan Carlson.

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:



ACTIVITY CAMP

Kingshill Infant School
23rd October - 27th October
9AM - 3PM

Monday: *Halloween Super Sports Day*

- Broomstick Benchball
- Creepy Cricket
- Doctor Dodgeball
- Hero Hockey

Wednesday: *Ninja Warrior Day*

- Obstacle Courses
- Ninja Dodgeball
- Camouflage Hideout
- Agility Training

Tuesday: *Football + Gymnastics Day*

- Jumping and Rolls
- Ronaldo's Skill School
- Balancing and Shapes
- Tournament Special

Thursday: *Fancy Dress Day*

- Best Dress Prize
- Monster Dance Battle
- Pumpkin Bowling
- Superhero Battle Royal

Friday: *Inflatable Day*

- Bouncy Castle Fun
- Coaches Challenges
- Super Sports Got Talent
- Wacky Races

£14
HALF DAY

£65
HALF WEEK

£110
FULL WEEK

£25
FULL DAY

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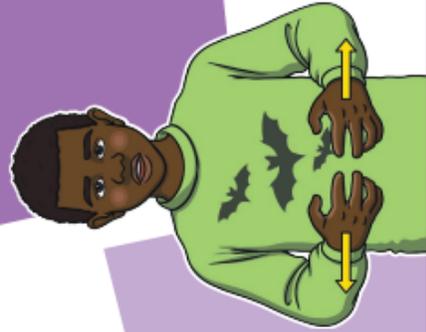
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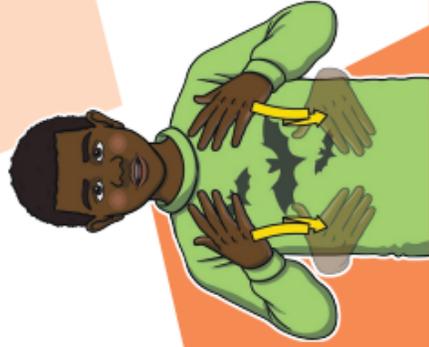
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