

Kingsholm C of E Primary School
Weekly News

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Our School values are Respect, Honesty & Love

This term we are focusing on Courage

School Photographs

On Monday your child will be bringing home their photo proof card. We are again using the on-line order system. The website details and your unique login code are printed on the proof card.

All orders placed before Friday 2nd December will be returned to school before the end of term. Postage cost for these orders will be covered by the school. If you don't have access to the internet you are welcome to use one of our computers in the school office to place your order.

If you miss the deadline of December 2nd you can still place your order any time after that date and on into the New Year but postage costs will be added to the cost of your order.

We have kept the price of our traditional packs the same as in past years.

Reception Classes:

News: Can now be found on the Kingsholm Primary School Facebook page.

Year 1:

Remember: Friday 25th November is a non-school uniform day. Please bring in items for Bingo.

News: In English this week we have been carrying on with the 'Three Little Pigs'. We have been thinking about the key events in the story and creating actions for that key event. We went onto the playground and stepped out the key events in the story. We have just begun to look at adjectives to help us describe the wolf and have added our amazing adjectives on to our adjective trees.

In Mathematics we have been continuing our focus on place value. We have been looking at numbers to 20. We have been ordering the numbers, counting on from a number and counting back from a number. We have also been looking at matching numerals and words within 20. We have also been practising our number bond rap, it's amazing!

In our theme we have been designing dolls house furniture and we have been making these with lots of different materials.

We have also been looking at the United Kingdom and learning about the four countries within the United Kingdom and where there are on a map. We have also been practising different rolls in gymnastics.

WOW - Well done to: Ruby-1B, Jeslyn-1M, Jai-1W who received class certificates this week.

Year 2:

Remember: A reminder to all parents/carers that our Year 2 theme share is on Tuesday 29th November 2016 in the Oak Hall at 9am.

News: Another great week. We have been learning about 3D shapes and their properties in Mathematics and writing descriptions about our visit to a magical garden for English.

In theme some classes have been doing some William Morris art and others have been busy improving their typing skills using word processor.

WOW - Well done to: Eva - 2A, Kain - 2D who received class certificates this week.

Year 3:

Remember: Friday 25th November - non-school uniform in exchange for donating a gift for the Bingo raffle.

News: In English the children have been writing a rebirth story. This is a story where the main character's mind is changed by events in the story.

We are trying to convince the Government to change their planned route for the HS2 (High Speed Rail Network) as it is currently heading to Gloucester through the school playground 😊. The children have been working hard to develop their setting and characters and will start writing the story next week.

In Mathematics the children have been concentrating on division through repeated subtraction. They have been learning what to do with remainders and are now starting to get to grips with the bus stop method. This will also be a focus for next week.

In our theme learning, each class have been focusing on different activities. Some have been exploring the differences between Brazil and Gloucester and how the people live their lives. Some have been finishing off Science work, developing their understanding of pollination, fertilisation and seed dispersal.

We would like to thank all parents/carers for all of your help and support with the children's rainforest home learning projects. There are some amazing rainforests! Our home learning celebration will be held on 5th December. More information will be released closer to the time.

The Year 3 Team ☺

WOW - Well done to: Oscar - 3B, Sebastien - 3F, Denzel - 3J who received class certificates this week.

Year 4:

News: This week in Year 4 we have had a visit from The Jet Age Museum. The children got the opportunity to put questions to Les and Ken, two 93 year old World War 2 pilots. Throughout the day they took part in different workshops to do with all aspects of World War 2 and the how it impacted life in and around Gloucester.

WOW - Well done to: Molly - 4HS who received our class certificate this week.

Year 5:

Remember: We still have a number of children who have not brought their PE kit back after the holiday. Please make sure PE kit is in school.

If your child has outdoor PE this term, please encourage them to bring a sweatshirt or hoodie to keep warm and trainers in preference to daps.

All children should have a coat in school.

News: This week we have been sharing the amazing home-learning that the children have done on the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. Huge congratulations to the children, the effort and time invested in their projects is incredible.

In English we have continued the new unit of Storytelling - based around a short story called 'The Skeleton Woman'. This week the children have been looking at writing descriptively and written an alternative version of the story retaining key details from the plot and changing other parts. We have focused particularly on continuity and making sure the story makes sense.

In Mathematics we have started our third unit of learning. The children have battled with long multiplication and single-digit division. It has been a challenging week for some but everyone has made progress and we are proud of how hard the children have worked.

WOW - Well done to: Amelia - 5E, Nathanael - 5S, Maya - 5T who received class certificates this week.

Year 6:

Remember: Finally, please remind your children that theme home-learning is due in on Tuesday 22nd November. It must be brought in next week so that we can celebrate the successes and then have it on show when we invite you back after our theme share the following week.

News: In English the children have been typing up their newspaper articles, they really are starting to look very professional. We are now looking forward to undertaking some theme writing including biographies of famous scientists, balanced arguments over cursed tombs and maybe even instructions for pharaohs!

Fractions are our new unit in Mathematics this week and are likely to last us until Christmas. Once again times tables knowledge really underpins fractions, decimals and percentages. Please take time to help your child with their times tables knowledge.

Theme work has varied across the Year group this year from scientific investigations into famous scientists and discoveries regarding inheritance of characteristics from our parents through to studies of the social hierarchy in ancient Egypt.

We have also started rehearsing our theme share. It will be a comical trek through ancient Egypt and we hope that you can join us on Wednesday 30th November. We would also ask if your children could bring in their Egyptian costumes from the Egyptian ball, it would be very much appreciated. Please ensure all clothes are named and come to school in a named carrier bag. Thank you.