

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 Honesty

RECEPTION PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2017

Do you have a child at school with a sibling due to start school this September. Places are not automatically guaranteed, you can either register online or by email:

school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Deadline for applications is this Sunday - 15th JANUARY

Reception Classes:

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

Year 1:

News: In English this week we have been looking at different traditional tales which are linked with our book 'The Jolly Postman'. We have been thinking about the problems and solutions in these tales in preparation for our own ideas of problems and solutions when we start planning our own story.

In Mathematics we have been learning to tell the time to the hour and half past the hour. We have also been learning the days of the week and months of the year.

In our theme we have been looking at the seasons, focusing on winter and what weather winter brings. During art we looked at different objects from traditional tales and completed an observational drawing which we then painted using our colour mixing skills.

On Friday we were really excited to see the Hobgoblin Theatre Company and join in the workshops that they provided afterwards.

WOW! - Well done to: Reuben - 1B, Anabia - 1M, Ainius - 1W who received our class certificates this week.

Year 2:

News: In Year 2 children have been learning how to multiply numbers.

In English we have continued learning about endangered animals and have created beautiful chalk drawings of the animals. It is going to be an exciting topic day this Friday with den building, nature art and toasting marshmallows.

WOW! - Well done to: Loki - 2A, Selina - 2B, Aimee - 2D who received our class certificates this week.

Year 3:

Remember: Just to remind you that it is the Carleon trip next week, so please hand any permission slips to the office ASAP. Children will need to be dropped off at the Oak Hall at 8:15am ready for registration as the coach will leave at 8:45am PROMPT. Children will need to wear their school uniform, sensible walking shoes and a waterproof coat.

3F - MONDAY 3B - TUESDAY 3F - WEDNESDAY

News: In English the children have started reading our new class book 'Krinklekrax'. On Monday the children found mysterious, slimy objects in their classroom and wrote some fantastic sentences about them using subordinate conjunctions. They have also focused on 'tenses' this week and have applied this skill to writing a prediction as to what will happen next in the story. To end the week they have identified the features of a diary ready for our learning next week.

In Mathematics Year 3 have started their next Multiplication and Division unit. They have refreshed their knowledge from the Autumn term to ensure they have secure and reliable methods in place. We have had a big focus on the use of the inverse so the children were able to attempt some worded and missing digit problems.

In our theme learning the children have continued with some History learning from our fantastic theme week last week. They have now finished studying pre-historic Britain ready to begin looking at the Romans. They have also carried out some observations of our Year 3 wormery to link with our science learning about soil formation.

A brilliant first two weeks back Year 3, well done!

WOW! - Well done to: Tino - 3B, Natasha - 3F who received class certificates this week.

Year 4:

News: This week in Year 4 the children have been continuing to study Volcanoes with their focus on how Volcanoes work and what the technical vocabulary is for the individual sections.

To inspire the children's learning we had a visit from the Explorer Dome which took us through a history of Volcanoes and how they were created.

In English we have spent the last week writing descriptive pieces of writing about Volcanic eruptions focusing on different techniques to describe. Throughout the week the children have been encouraged to edit and redraft their work to create a much better final piece.

In Mathematics we have continued our work on division. The children have been learning about division using objects and relating those ideas to a number line to record the process. Consistently across the week the children have been solving problems that involve division and this will continue into next week.

WOW! - Well done to: Faith - 4HS who received a class certificate this week.

Year 5:

Remember: All the Year 5 classes are now taking part in outdoor PE during one of their weekly PE sessions. Please ensure they have appropriate footwear (trainers rather than daps) and a warm top.

News: After last week's 'Space Week' to launch the new theme, the highlight of this week has been the visit to The Explorer Dome where the children learnt an astonishing numbers of facts about the planets, the wider universe and the mythology behind some of our famous constellations.

The children have also finished their fabulous collages for their theme book covers which were based on the rocket-themed art work of Peter Thorpe. Their time and patience really paid off and the results are fantastic.

In English we have started a new book called 'The Man in the Moon' which some children correctly recognised as the origin story to the film 'The Rise of the Guardians'. The children have been looking at language features and the characters' motivations. It is a really creative story with the most exquisite illustrations. We hope to be doing some art based on the pictures at a later date.

In Mathematics we have started a huge unit of learning on fractions. So far all the teachers have been really impressed with how well the children have recalled their prior learning and their attitude to new concepts.

Our 'times-tables challenge' badges have arrived and we are looking forward to issuing the first ones! All the children are working their way through the times-tables and those children who can recall them all will get a badge to wear on their uniform. Please remind your child and help us to get those times-tables learnt.

WOW! - Well done to: Cameron - 5E, Emmanuel - 5S, Seren - 5T who won certificates this week.

Year 6:

Remember: Please make sure warm, outside PE kits are in school as we will be continuing with Hockey outside. Our home learning has changed, please see letter handed out today.

News: This week in English we have continued to look at the narrative poem 'The Highwayman'. We have looked at metaphors, similes and onomatopoeia. We have used these language features in our writing to describe the setting and characters.

In Mathematics we had another week on fractions to make sure we really understood it. We have been calculating fractions, decimals and percentages. In Computing we have been learning about how to stay safe using social media. In Geography we learnt about longitude and latitude and we have started some digital art creating Tudor style portraits.

WOW! - Well done to: Aiden - 6AP, Miguel - 6E, Leon - 6P who received our class certificates this week.