

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 Responsibility

LIFE EDUCATION BUS

The Life Education Bus will be on site from Monday 13th - Friday 17th March.

Parent session - Wednesday 15th March at 2.45pm.

Please return form sent home with your child to School Office if you would like to attend

CLUBS

Reminder that the last week of Clubs for this term is **W/C 20th March**.

TRAVELLING WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

New Child Seat Regulation comes into force next month.

Please check out the website below for full details.

<https://roadsafety-gloucestershire.org.uk/travelling-young-children/>

WANTED

If you have any newspapers or plastic garden pots (any size) that you don't need,
please could you bring them in to the office.

Reception Classes:

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

Year 1:

Remember: Tuesday 14th March - Rhyme Rocket are visiting.

News: We have had a really exciting week in English. First of all we came into our classrooms and found lots of tiny furniture on the ceiling. We then found out that a mouse had bought a new house, but all of his furniture was on the ceiling of the cave, just like our classroom. So we decided to design the mouse a new cave and we wrote property details for it. We then discovered dragon footprints leading us to a cave in the little hall and inside there was a sleeping dragon. Miss Bradley was very brave and reached in. She found 3 books! So we took the books back to our classrooms and read - 'The George and the Dragon'.

In Mathematics we have been looking at half of shapes and half of amounts. We have been using our sharing knowledge to help us find half of an amount, the resources in our classrooms have been very helpful.

In Art we have been making fairy-tale objects out of clay. It was really fun and messy!

WOW- Well done to: Noah T - 1B, Tobi - 1M, Alisha - 1W who received our class certificates this week.

Year 2:

News: In Year 2 we have been partitioning and ordering numbers.

In English we have been creating our own instructions to make a magic potion. In Science we have conducted experiments to test the suitability of materials to build a shelter.

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

Year 3:

Remember: Outreach Cathedral Concert - performance is on the 15th March after school. Children will need a packed dinner or snack to be eaten before we leave for the rehearsal. If you are unable to attend the performance can you please ensure that you collect your child promptly at **7pm from the Cathedral**.

P.E. kits - Please can you ensure that your child has a P.E. kit in school at all times. This must contain trousers and jumpers for outdoor sessions along with suitable footwear.

News: This week in English we have started learning the story 'Awongalema'. We have had a wonderful time using drama and improvisation to act out the story. We have also been learning how to use conjunctions and understanding the spelling patterns of past tense verbs.

In Mathematics lessons this week we have concluded our unit on time and have started exploring fractions. We are focusing on what a fraction is and the concept of tenths.

Choir practise is going well and the children sound great. Please encourage your child to learn the words as they will not have access to them during the performance. Thank you for all your support!

WOW- Well done to: Bea - 3B, Bea - 3F, Emily - 3J who received our class certificates this week.

Year 4:

News: This week in English we have begun our new book, 'The Iron Man'. The children have spent time creating the Iron Man through junk modelling. We have just begun to analyse the language used by Ted Hughes in the Iron Man and discover his very descriptive style of writing.

In Mathematics this week we have focused on rounding decimals to the nearest whole number using visual images. Towards the end of the week we have been focusing on adding and subtracting decimals, putting this skill into context with lots of different problems.

On Tuesday the whole of Year 4 took part in a Science day. We took part in three tasks across the day including learning about the different states of matter, taking part in experiments to explore this idea and went on a walk around the school grounds looking at how the environment is affected by people.

Year 5:

Remember: Just a reminder that theme home-learning is due in by the end of the week beginning March 13th.

News: We have had a very creative week in Year 5 with the children painting landscapes of Gloucester in the style of Van Gogh and two classes have also started to create their 'Space Bunting'. We have learnt some new stitching skills such as satin stitch and French knots. We have also been continuing the Explorify Project to help children think scientifically. We have also been preparing for our theme share at the end of term which is going to be spectacular!

In English we have returned to our Science Fiction novel 'George's Secret Key to the Universe'. This week the children have been starting to write Sci-Fi stories based around a short film clip. They've had some very imaginative ideas!

In Mathematics we have been revisiting division and long multiplication which has reminded the children of the importance of times-tables. Please make sure they are practising them at home!

WOW- Well done to: Lilliemay - 5E, Laela - 5S, Bartosz - 5T who received our class certificates this week.

Year 6:

Remember: Just a gentle reminder, please can we have all London letters back as soon as possible;thank you.

News: Year 6 have turned to the screen and stage this week in English studying play scripts to support next week's creation of an 'Esio Trot' play. It has been great fun acting out sections of the story, making comparisons between the film and the book and making our own directorial cuts. We look forward to planning them on Monday before writing and performing them. Why not ask your child about their play script?

In Mathematics we have been finishing our measurement unit and moving onto algebra, fun for some and a nemesis for others. Fluency in number facts will certainly support the algebra unit, so please remember to practise times tables and quick recall of number facts.

We will be undertaking mock SATs next week (commencing 13th March), please make sure that your child has an adequate breakfast to prevent hunger in the morning and gets plenty of rest. It would be fantastic if we could also have maximum attendance as this is the last time they will sit a formal exam before the real SATs week in May. Please also encourage them not to panic, leave that to the teaching staff!