

A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

Another super week at Kings Nympton! We had Mr Chaplin our Education Consultant in school on Tuesday, he spent the morning in classrooms talking to the children about their learning and looking through their learning folders. We are very pleased to have all the hard work recognised. Here's a snippet of what he had to say:

Quality of Education

Leaders have sustained high expectations for the quality of the learning environment; these are consistent across the Federation. Systems are very clear and adhered to. The learning culture in classrooms is very positive. As a result, pupils focus very well on their learning and display attitudes that effectively support learning. In planning, teachers elicit pupils' prior knowledge and pupils then demonstrate progress in the curriculum with end of unit assessments. In science, for example, a pupil made progress in the knowledge of what plants need to survive by the end of a unit when understanding was not secure at the beginning.

It was fantastic to see so many people at the Friends of Kings Nympton AGM on Monday. Thank you to everyone who attended, there were some brilliant fundraising ideas being discussed. The position for secretary was also filled, thank you to Mrs French for stepping into the role. The next event is the Halloween Disco, which sounds very exciting. Don't forget to pre-book tickets on the Gateway.

Well done to our Year 5 and 6 children who took part in Bikeability this week, the instructor was very impressed with all the children who took part and their road sense. Well done.

It was so lovely to see the children playing at playtime this week, we have gone back to separate playgrounds for Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3. They rotate on a daily basis which means that our younger children have the opportunity to play on the big playground without footballs flying about. So far the feedback has been very positive.

Another great day for Forest School last week, the children certainly are having adventures each week! Last week they had another go with the strikers to light cotton pads before going on an adventure up to the top of the wood, they took the storm kettle and made hot chocolate. Then they did some activities based around our senses- finding things which were smooth, shiny etc. The children made potions for our sense of smell and all smelt each others to see if it was different. They sat quietly for 5 minutes to listen to forest noises- Year 2 found this quite tricky! They carried on their adventure and ended up back at the campfire circle for lunch followed by playing, weaving Gods eyes, cooking s'mores and playing in the river. What a busy day! I can't wait to hear about Year 3 and 4's adventures today.

It would be great to see some more scarecrow entries for our harvest competition on Thursday; I wonder what will turn up! We would be really grateful to receive donations of cakes etc for the cake sale at 3pm when the scarecrow results will be announced. Thank you in advance. Our bacon roll morning raised £60, this will be put together with the £210 raised at Winkleigh and will pay for the Christmas Elf visit. The commission on the Christmas Cards also raised £100 which is fantastic and will go in to the trips pot.

Class 2 are really looking forward to their Eden Project trip next week with the Year 4 class from Winkleigh, it will be a nice chance for them to meet up again, such a great experience for them, I can't wait to hear all about it. Have a lovely weekend.

Brenmore

DIARY DATES

W/C 3RD OCTOBER



Daily	8.00am deadline for booking school meals on the Gateway
Monday 3rd October	Class 2 wear PE kit
Tuesday 4th October	Class 1 wear PE kit
Wednesday 5th October	Class 2 trip to the Eden Project (click here for details) SSW After School Sports Club, 1530-1630
Thursday 6th October	Scarecrow Competition Judging, 0900 School Census Day—all children in Class 1 will be offered a school lunch (free of charge) Stay & Play, 1000-1130 Cake Sale, 1500 (donations gratefully received, thank you) No Drama Club this week as previously advised
Friday 7th October	Years 3 and 4 Forest School

Remember: Before School Club bookings must be made one week in advance via the Dinners Section of the Gateway

Emails sent this week: Attendance and Absence, Eden Project Reminder, Scarecrow Competition and Cake Sale, Class 2 Forest School, Preschool Invoices (as applicable)

WHAT'S ON?

AUTUMN HALF TERM 1



Don't forget to like our Facebook page for news and updates



Every Thursday, 1000-1130

A welcoming and friendly session for babies, toddlers and their parents/carers

Class 1 Trip to Northam Burrows
Tuesday 11th October



Parents' Forum

New date: Thursday 10th November

parents
forum

Scarecrow Competition
6th October



£5 gift voucher for the winner!

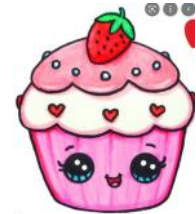


KINGS NYMPTON
Primary School

Further details about all events can be found on the school website class pages and calendar

Cake Sale

6th October



Bag2School Collection
Monday 17th October



Non Uniform Day
Thursday 20th October
£1 payable via the Gateway



Class 2 Eden Project Trip
Wednesday 5th October



Friends of the School Halloween Disco
Thursday 20th October



Forest School

Years 3&4:
7th Oct

Years 5&6:
14th & 21st Oct

REMINDERS



SCARECROW COMPETITION & CAKE SALE

Thursday 6th October

Results and cake sale at 3pm

£1 per entry (via the Gateway)



Scarecrows can be brought into school from Monday 3rd October

£5 gift voucher for the winner!

Donations of cakes etc very gratefully received.
Please bring into school on the morning.
Many thanks for your support.

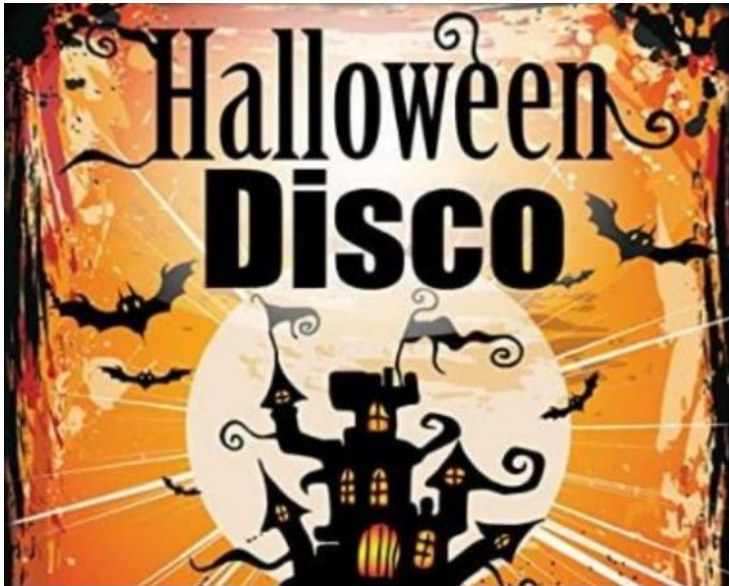
UNIFORM

Just a reminder that there is absolutely NO obligation to move to the new uniform. We understand that the phasing-in of the new uniform will be a gradual process. We anticipate families will start to buy the updated uniform as and when they need to replace items. Please do not feel under any pressure to move to the new uniform.

Please see the original letter sent out in the Spring term. [Click here.](#)

THE FRIENDS GROUP

FUN AND FUND-RAISING



Thursday 20th October

3.45pm - 5.30pm

Kings Nympton Parish Hall

£3.50 per child to include a hot dog

Prebooked tickets only via The Gateway

Tuck shop and glow sticks for sale on the night

Note: Preschool and Class 1 children must be accompanied by an adult

Organised by the Friends of Kings Nympton Primary School



Please note: laser lights will be used at the disco



Thursday 20th October

Non Uniform Day

£1 per child

CHRISTMAS BINGO



Thursday 1st December

Details coming soon!

BAG 2 SCHOOL

FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation



Kings Nympton Primary School

Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT).

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:

Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!

Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Please return your Bag2School on:

Monday 17th October by 9am from Orchard House, Steeple Medow



01609 780 222



www.bag2school.com



helpdesk@bag2school.com

THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



Class 1

We have had a great week in Class 1. The children have really settled back into school life and are working hard. It is a pleasure to see their enthusiasm for all the lessons and activities they undertake!

Reception have been learning to say, read and write the next few phonemes and have been using these to read their first books in class. They have been talking and thinking about their own families and comparing them to Spinderella's family in the book by Julia Donaldson. They have been finding ways to sort different objects by looking at their colour, shape and size.

In English, Year 1 and 2 have been writing their own versions of the story *Knock! Knock! Open the Door*. They have used their learning in this unit to improve their writing and have written some great stories.

In Maths, Year 1 have been ordering objects and numbers to 10, using ordinal numbers and learning how a number line can be used to help them solve problems. Year 2 have started a unit of work on Addition and Subtraction. They have been finding fact families, comparing number sentences and looking for related facts in these.

Other lessons have included finding out about Northern Ireland, thinking about the properties of materials, having a go at colour mixing with paints and writing their own prayers.

Well done Class 1, have a great weekend. *Mrs Godly*



THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



Class 2

Another week has flown by, and the children have been working hard.

In Science, Year 3 and 4 have continued their learning about fossils and rocks. The children have learned about Mary Anning and have created their own fact file about her. We have also learned about soil formations and the four complements that make up soil. In Maths, Year 3 and 4 have finished their



sequence on place value and have started their new sequence on addition and subtraction. We have been using concrete resources to support us in adding numbers together and have introduced column method for addition.

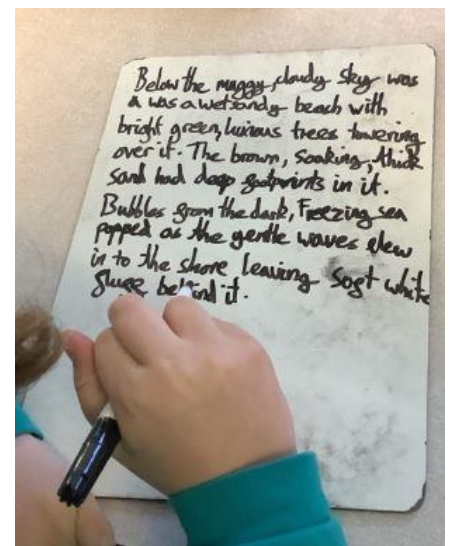
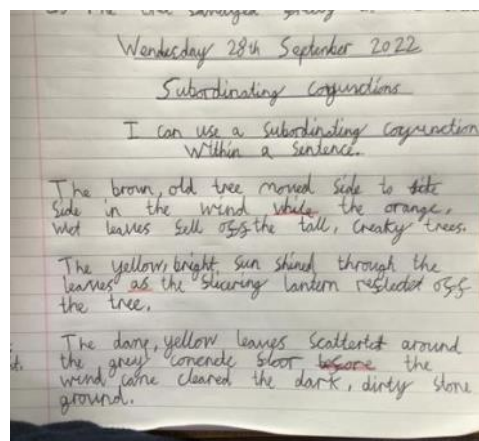
In English, Year 5 and 6 have been developing their setting descriptions and have been varying their sentence starters and using subordinating conjunctions to connect sentences. They have been using these skills to create a setting description and engage the reader in their text.

On Monday and Tuesday, Year 5 and 6 took part in Bikeability and enjoyed learning new skills that they put into practice on their ride around Kings Nympton. The children have also enjoyed their Times Table Rockstars tournament this week and have all relished challenging each other. Well done, keep it up!

The children have been enjoyed playing together this week and creating new games at break and lunchtimes. It has been great to see the children create new games. Year 3 and 4 have had their first Forest School today and have enjoyed the activities that Mrs Blacker has provided.

We are very much looking forward to next week and our Class trip to Eden. Please remember to wear school uniform; not PE hoodies. If you need a reminder of the trip details, [please click here](#). Don't forget we will be returning to the village hall for pick-up at 5pm.

Have a great weekend Class 2. *Mr Saltearn*



LITTLE WOODLANDS

NEWS FROM THE PRESCHOOL



We have had a Humpty Dumpty time this week!

The children have fully embraced the activities on offer, and this has included making marshmallow Humpty Dumpties, making a happy or sad Humpty in the craft area, building a secure wall for Humpty to sit on and lots of singing and making up our own ideas for a new Humpty Dumpty rhyme! We have also been busy counting and practising our cutting skills this week.

Mrs Stapley and the Preschool Team



DIARY DATES

ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-23



Please note, the dates of activities and events may be subject to change. More events may be added. Further information about each event and activity will be sent out to parents and published on the website nearer the time.

<p>September 2022</p> <p>5th—Autumn Term starts w/c 12th—After School Clubs Start 13th—Class 1 & 2 Welcome Meetings 15th—Stay & Play resumes 16th—Class 1 Forest School 22nd—Family Breakfast & Open Morning 23rd—Class 1 Forest School 26th—Flu Vaccinations 26th- Friends of the School AGM 26th & 27th—Bikeability 30th—Years 3 & 4 Forest School</p>	<p>October 2022</p> <p>5th—Class 2 Eden Project Trip 6th—Census Day: all KS1 children to have a school meal 6th—Scarecrow Competition & Cake Stall 7th—Years 3 & 4 Forest School 11th—Class 1 Northam Burrows Trip 14th—Year 5 & 6 Forest School 20th—Non-Uniform Day and Halloween Disco 21st—Years 5 & 6 Forest School w/c 24th—Half Term 31st—Return to School</p>	<p>November 2022</p> <p>11th—Poppy Day Open Morning 14th—M&M Productions—Cinderella 15th—Tempest Individual Class Photos</p>
<p>December 2022</p> <p>8th—Stay & Play Christmas Session 12th—Reports 13th—Christmas Fair 14th—Class 1 & Preschool Nativity 14th—Christmas Dinner 15th—KS2 Carol Service 16th—Class Christmas Parties & Last Day of Term</p>	<p>January 2023</p> <p>4th—Spring Term starts 12th—Class 2 Trip to 'We are the Curious' Bristol 19th—Census Day—all KS1 children to have a school meal</p>	<p>February 2023</p> <p>9th—Family Breakfast & Open Morning w/c 13th—Half Term 20th—Return to School</p>
<p>March 2023</p> <p>2nd—World Book Day w/c 20th—Reports 28th—Parents' Evening 30th—Parents' Evening 31st—Years 3 & 4 Forest School & Last Day of Term</p>	<p>April 2023</p> <p>w/c 3rd—Easter Holidays 17th—Summer Term starts 17th-19th—Year 5 & 6 Skern Lodge Residential 21st—Years 3 & 4 Forest School 28th—Years 3 & 4 Forest School</p>	<p>May 2023</p> <p>1st—Bank Holiday—School closed w/c 8th—SATS Week 5th—Years 3 & 4 Forest School 12th—Year 5 & 6 Forest School w/c 15th Art & Culture Week 18th—Census Day—all KS1 children to have a school meal 19th—Years 5 & 6 Forest School 26th—Years 5 & 6 Forest School w/c 29th—Half Term</p>
<p>June 2023</p> <p>5th—Return to school 21st-23rd—Year 6 London Residential 28th—Sports Day 29th-30th—Y3 Camping Residential</p>	<p>July 2023</p> <p>3rd—Parents' Evening 4th—Parents' Evening 6th-7th—Year 4 Escot Residential 11th—Year 3 Roman Day in school 12th-14th—Y6 Surf Residential</p>	<p>17th—Year 6 Splashdown Trip 19th—Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 19th—Last Day of Term for Pupils 20th-21st—Inset Days 24th-25th—Occasional Days 26th—Summer Holidays Commence</p>

FAMILY SUPPORT



Families Needed for Research Study on Healthy Lifestyle Choices

Are you a family with children under the age of 12 who would benefit from being happier and healthier?

- *Better sleep routines***
- *Healthier eating options***
- *Reduced screen time***
- *More activity***
- *Improved relationships***

Fliss Cornish and Arnie Bartlett are Family Practitioners working within Children's Services who will be running an 8 week course to help tackle the above daily struggles that many families face in today's modern world. It is part of a research study being undertaken by University College Dublin and the course (which is likely to be online) will be starting week commencing 9th January 2023. The 'research' part of the course is two 20 minute questionnaires to be completed prior to the course starting. They need some recruits 😊

[For more information, please click here.](#) You don't need to be referred. Alternatively, please contact Arnie and Fliss directly.

Arnie – angyalka.bartlett@devon.gov.uk / 07813 400942

Fliss – felicity.cornish@devon.gov.uk / 07816 124979

FAMILY SUPPORT



Parent Talk



Parent Support

There's a lot of pressure on parents at the moment. Parent Talk is a free and confidential service for parents of 0-19 year olds in the UK. You can get support with anything that's worrying you about parenting or your child.

We're on hand to support parents, when you need us. Browse our articles on the most common parenting questions from our experts. Or talk one-to-one with a qualified parenting coach about anything that's worrying you. It's all free, and no topic is too big, small, or embarrassing.

Visit:

www.parents.actionforchildren.org.uk



We're here:

**12:30-19:30 Monday
10:30-16:30 Tuesday
9.30-16:30 Wednesday
12:30-19:30 Thursday
09:30-16:00 Friday**

AUTUMN MENU



Side salad is offered with the main course and fresh fruit or yoghurt as an alternative to the daily pudding is also available.

Week One

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pasta Bake	Chicken Korma & Rice	Roast Gammon & Pineapple	Organic Pork Meatballs & Wholemeal Pasta	Mini Battered Fish Fillet
Option 2 (v)	Cheese Baguette	Cheese Wheels & Wholemeal Pasta	Potato Topped Vegetable Pie	Vegetarian Chilli	Veggie Fingers
Sides	Crusty Bread, Sweetcorn & Summer Salad Sticks	Peas, Carrots & Tomato Ketchup	Roast or Boiled Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans & Gravy	Seasonal Mixed Vegetables	Chips, Wholemeal Pasta, Peas, Baked Beans or Vegetable Sticks
And for pudding	Flapjack or Fresh Fruit	Sticky Chocolate Cake with Chocolate Sauce or Fresh Fruit	Peaches & Langage Farm Ice Cream or Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter	Chocolate Cookie or Fresh Fruit
Jacket Potato	Beans Jacket Potato	Ham Baguette	Tuna Baguette	Cheese Jacket Potato	Fish Finger Baguette
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Home Baked Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives				
Week starting:	25/04/22 – 16/05/22 – 13/06/22 – 04/07/22 – 05/09/22 – 26/09/22 – 17/10/22				

Week Two

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	All Day Breakfast (Westcountry Sausage, Bacon & Free Range Egg)	Roast Chicken	Vegetarian Chilli	Fish Finger
Option 2 (v)	Jacket Potato & Beans	Vegetarian Brunch (Quorn Sausage & Free Range Egg)	Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese Bake	Cowboy Pasta (with Quorn Sausage)	Battered Quorn Dippers
Sides	Potato Wedges, Peas & Sweetcorn	Tomatoes, Mushrooms, Baked Beans & Diced Potato	Roast or Boiled Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots & Gravy	Seasonal Mixed Vegetables	Chips, Wholemeal Pasta, Peas, Baked Beans or Vegetable Sticks
And for pudding	Pip Organic Ice lolly or Fresh Fruit	Eves Pudding (Apple Sponge) & Custard or Fresh Fruit	Fruit Jelly & Langage farm Ice Cream or Fresh Fruit	Toffee Banana Cake or Fresh Fruit	Chocolate Cracknel or Fresh Fruit
Jacket Potato	Cheese Baguette	Ham Baguette	Tuna Baguette	Egg Mayo Baguette	Fish Finger Baguette
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Home Baked Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives				
Week starting:	02/05/22 – 23/05/22 – 20/06/22 – 11/07/22 – 12/09/22 – 03/10/22				

Week Three

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Organic Beef Burger in a Bun	Roast Turkey	Lasagne	Mini Battered fish fillet (Salmon)
Option 2 (v)	Spanish Omelette	Roasted Vegetable Lasagne	Vegetable Wellington	Quorn Dog in a roll	Southern Style Quorn Burger
Sides	Crusty Bread, Peas & Summer Salad Sticks	Herby Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn & Side Salad	Roast or Boiled Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli & Gravy	Garlic Bread, Sweetcorn & Green Beans	Chips, Wholemeal Pasta, Peas, Baked Beans or Vegetable Sticks
And for pudding	Summer Fruits & Langage Farm Ice Cream or Fresh Fruit	Iced Orange Muffin or Fresh Fruit	Cheese Crackers & Apple	Pear & Chocolate Crumble with Custard or Fresh Fruit	Honey Cookie or Fresh Fruit
Jacket Potato	Beans Jacket Potato	Cheese Jacket Potato	Tuna Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Fish Finger Baguette
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Home Baked Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives				
Week starting:	09/05/22 – 06/06/22 – 27/06/22 – 18/07/22 – 05/09/22 – 19/09/22 – 10/10/22				

Daily deadline for orders: 8am.

Additional vegan items available on the Gateway. These must be booked 1 week in advance.

TERM DATES

ALSO AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE: SEE PARENT INFO SECTION



Devon School Term Dates: 2022-23 Academic Year

School Name (s)	Winkleigh Primary School	
DfE number (s)	8782252	
Contact name		
Date submitted		

	Sep-2022					Oct-2022					Nov-2022								
Monday	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31										
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key: days within Devon's school terms

days outside Devon's school terms

Bank Holidays

School Holiday Bank Holidays

- 26 Dec 2022 (Christmas)
- 27 Dec 2022 (Boxing Day)
- 2 Jan 2023 (New Years Day)
- 7 Apr 2023 (Good Friday)
- 10 Apr 2023 (Easter Mond)
- 1 May 2023 (May Day)
- 29 May 2023 (Spring Bank Holiday)
- 28 Aug 2023 (Summer Bank Holiday)

Term Lengths	37	72
Sept to Oct half term	35	
October to Christmas	29	59
Jan to Feb half term	30	
Feb to Easter	37	
Easter to June half term	197	
June to end of term	-5	
Training Days	-2	
Occasional Days	190	



Families with children in Class 1 who are eligible are encouraged to apply as the funding is in addition to Universal Free School Meals!

If your circumstances have changed and you are now in receipt of one or more of the following:

- Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7400 or less)
- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

You may be eligible for pupil premium funding for Kings Nympton Primary School, which entitles your child/ren to receive Free School Meals.

It takes less than a minute to apply.

Visit the Citizen Portal Devon

https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCsCitizenPortal_LIVE

or call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

If eligible, please send a screenshot of your confirmation to admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk