



Weekly newsletter

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Executive Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a busy week at Kings Nympton, the children have remained focused and engaged in their learning. Pre-school have had a very creative week, spending time painting and taking part in an exciting dinosaur hunt around the setting — it seems some dinosaurs may still be on the loose!

Class 1 have been developing their geography skills by using maps to locate and identify different countries, helping them to build a better understanding of the world around them.

In Class 2, the children have been listening carefully to music by Mozart and thoughtfully discussing the meanings behind some of his quotes, sharing their own ideas and interpretations.

The whole school has also enjoyed coming together for a lovely singing session around the apple tree with Sue, which was a great opportunity to share music, build confidence, and enjoy time together outdoors.

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards

Mrs V Fenemore

Diary dates

Upcoming week

Week beginning: 02.02.26

Weekly deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lunch deadline – midnight the day before• All sorts – 8.30am the same day• Early birds – 3pm the day before• Gate opens 08.45-08.55 each day. <p>Email admin@kingsnypton.devon.sch.uk to make changes.</p>
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gardening club 3.30pm-5pm• Mr Slocombe on site
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 1 & 2 PE Kit• Mrs Fenemore/Mr Slocombe on site
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mrs Rowcliffe on site• Swimming – Class 2
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mrs Stapley on site• Admin Team training day – emails will be monitored periodically
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 1 PE Kit• Federation art day at Winkleigh – Drop off 08.45-08.55am, collect 3.30pm.• Staff cake sale at Winkleigh

Diary dates

This half term

These dates are provisional and subject to change.

Upcoming events

Wb
09.02.26

12.02.26 Family breakfast & Pre-school Spring Crafts Stay and Play
13.02.26 Art exhibition begins in St James' Parish Church

Spring 2

Wb
23.02.26

23.02.26 Writing Hook Day (more information to follow)
23.02.26 End of Art Exhibition
25.02.26 Swimming – Class 2
26.02.26 Whole Federation Music Workshop day at Winkleigh

Wb
02.03.26

03.02.26 Toddlers in school
04.02.26 Swimming – Class 2
05.02.26 World Book Day

Wb
09.03.26

11.02.26 Swimming – Class 2
12.02.26 – Reception: National Child Measurement programme visit
13.02.26 Wear Red for Devon Air Ambulance - £1 donation
13.02.26 Mother's day cream tea

Wb
16.03.26

18.02.26 Energy from Waste visit – Class 2

Wb
23.03.26

24.02.26 Rosemoor visit – Class 1
26.02.26 Family breakfast, open morning and pre-school Easter crafts stay and play

Wb
30.03.26

01.04.26 Winkleigh Year 4 Sporting visit to KN
02.04.26 Cross country event at KN
02.04.26 Display of Easter crafts



Stay & Play

Spring crafts stay & play

Kings Nympton – Thursday 12th February

Winkleigh – Friday 13th February

**Come and join us to explore our settings
and enjoy Spring crafts with your child.**

£2 per family

Following family breakfast





Art exhibition

**Friday 13th February – Monday
23rd February**

**Winkleigh – All Saints Church
Kings Nympton – St James the Apostle
Church**

**Available to view during usual church
opening hours.**

**Every child has produced artwork for the
exhibition.**



Class news

Pre-school – Mrs Stapley

Dear Families,

This week in the Preschool the children have continued learning through our exciting dinosaur theme, which has sparked lots of curiosity, creativity, and conversation!

The children enjoyed talking about dinosaurs and exploring ideas around size from tiny dinosaurs to enormous ones. We compared big and small, used descriptive language, and encouraged the children to share their own thoughts and ideas.

Our creative area was very busy as the children experimented with paint and colour mixing. They discovered how new colours can be made by mixing different paints together, developing both their fine motor skills and early scientific thinking.

The children took part in a dinosaur hunt, searching carefully and looking high and low! This activity encouraged teamwork, problem solving, and lots of excitement as we explored the school grounds.

It has been a lovely week full of learning through play, imagination, and hands on experiences.

Thank you for your continued support we love seeing the children so engaged and enthusiastic!

Have a wonderful weekend.

The Preschool Team



Class news

Class 1 – Mrs Betts

This week in class one, we have been reading the Minpins by Roald Dahl and creating our own adventures in the creepy, gloomy woods. The children have created questions to ask the Minpins and are learning how to use different types of punctuation in their sentences. In reception, the children are basing their drawings and coding on the story of Little Red Riding Hood. They have invented traps and magical vehicles to outwit the cunning wolf.

In maths, KS1 have been learning to add and subtract two 2-digit numbers, while reception have been concentrating on number composition, making pairs and combining groups.

In art, the children have been learning about Kandinsky and tessellation. I wonder if you can explain tessellation! In science, the children are learning about healthy diets and were tasked with picking a healthy meal from the menu, and then discussing what made this the healthy choice. In RE, the children have been thinking about the meaning of peace and what they do to find peace. We had some great suggestions reading, listening to music, cuddling teddy's and exercise.

Reception joined preschool for a dinosaur hunt because the egg had hatched!

Have a lovely weekend.
The Class One Team



Class news

Class 2 – Mrs Miali

This week (and month) has flown by. The children have had a very productive week, completing sequences in maths and English and starting the new ones.

The children wrote some fantastic pages in English on how to care for a Yeti. I now know you must only feed a yeti cold food, in particular strawberry ice cream; have a team of walkers to help when exercising them and to choose my perfect yeti I need to know what colour the snowball egg glows. What amazing imagination displayed by the class.

To finish the maths sequence, we focused on division and what to do when you can't divide a number equally. Using the place value counters and charts to demonstrate this process visually really helped the children's understanding of exchanging and remainders. We are moving on to length and measurement next week, that will lend itself to using lots of equipment.

As the children have been developing their writing skills so well, we took the opportunity to use them in history. The class researched about the daily life of a Mayan and then used the key information to write a diary entry, as though they had lived a day during ancient Maya civilization times.

Next week our swimming lessons will begin. These will be taking place on Wednesday. Please make sure your child has easy to put on, warm clothes and suitable footwear to walk back to school in after the lesson. Please also remember to complete the online consent, as well as return the SOE3 form before Wednesday morning.

Dear Diary

I am quite sad that we can't have a pet so to make me feel better I made myself a chocolate drink. I had maize for breakfast and after breakfast I went to school. I did art, science and reading. I got home and had dinner. For dinner I had sandwiches and chips and after that I went to bed.

My family came home over next day and started growing some crops. The crops were tulip and wheat and we had to water them.

Even though I have a big house my parents still annoy me.

Enjoy your weekend,

Mrs Miali

Dear Diary, today I woke up early by the sound of my mother making ordinary mayan tunics and loincloths. After I got dressed in my new tunic me and my mum just made. I sat down to eat my breakfast and today it's mashed avocados with chillies and lime sprinkled on it.

Later on I had to go to the market. With my mum to trade pots, clothes and crops. We got just enough money to plant some more seeds. I got home just time for tea and like always it's maize beans and chillies.

