

A note from the Head



Dear Parents and Carers

We have come to the end of a very active week at Kings Nympton. Class 1 had a fantastic trip to Northam Burrows. Thank you to parents who met the transport at the Portsmouth Arms. The visit was a great opportunity for the children to experience our Autumnal coastline – the weather was very much in our favour this time; I seem to remember that the last visit to the beach was on just about the hottest day of the year. The trip included rock-pooling, minibeast habitats, and beach clean information where the children learned about the dangers of plastic in the marine environment from two very knowledgeable rangers. It was a brilliant opportunity for our children to get together with Winkleigh children once again; it's so good to witness them building relationships with peers. Well done for the excellent behaviour shown by all the children; you make us very proud.

Our School Advisor paid us a visit and, whilst the report hasn't been received yet, I can tell you how impressed she was with the structure of the curriculum in Class 1 and how the teaching of Maths in Class 2 was seamless between Years 3 and 4 and 5 and 6. The use of technology to support these lessons was seen as exemplary in supporting the children. Well done Mrs Godly and Mr Saltearn!

Forest School was also a resounding success last week. Mrs Blacker started by lighting small fires; she planned this because the children were so keen to get a fire which was then moved to light the central fire – they had 4 attempts at this! Mrs Blacker commented that she was amazed at their resilience and how they went off to collect better quality wood each time. The children then made some brilliant dens whilst three children went off and collected several armfuls of wood for the fire - without being asked to! Well done! The children also picked their favourite leaf and each made some observations " I notice that... I wonder, and it reminds me of... " there were some very good observations and ideas. Some children made wooden animals using tools. They played hide and seek and now they have worked out that being quiet is best, they were so improved that neither Mr Saltearn or Mrs Blacker could find them. They cooked s'mores and played in the river. Another idyllic day in the woods, thank you Mrs Blacker for your meticulous planning.

Have a lovely weekend.

Stenmore

NORTHAM BURROWS TRIP

CLASS 1—TUESDAY 11TH OCTOBER



Full gallery of photos on the website—[please click here](#).

I was scared of the big crab! Edie



That was the best day ever! Charlie

I didn't like the crabs. Matthew



I loved the bus ride! Bertie

The rockpooling was the best. Finley



I enjoyed meeting the ranges. They were really nice. Harker

I saw a baby fish, it was tiny. Ava



I liked catching the crabs. Keavy



DIARY DATES

W/C 17TH OCTOBER



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| Daily | 0800 deadline for booking school meals on the Gateway 0800-0900 Before School Club |
| Monday 17th October | 0900 Deadline to drop Bag2School items to Orchard House, Steeple Meadow Class 2 wear PE kit |
| Tuesday 18th October | Class 2 Skateboarding Workshop—wear PE kit |
| Wednesday 19th October | SSW After School Sports Club, 1530-1630 |
| Thursday 20th October | Stay & Play, 0930-1100 (note new time) Non-Uniform Day—please visit the Gateway to make £1 payment Friend of the School Halloween Disco— 1545 at the Parish Hall, see page 5 for details |
| Friday 21st October | Years 5 and 6 Forest School Last day of half-term |

Please note that the new school lunch menu will start after half term. Please see page 13 for details.

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

Emails sent this week: Class 1 Phonics and Spellings, Big Cat Home Reading, Halloween Disco, Stay and Play, Class 2 Swimming, Drama Club, Pantomime

WHAT'S ON?

LOOKING AHEAD TO AUTUMN HALF TERM 2



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



Every Thursday, 0930-1100

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

Dogs Trust Workshop
Class 1 & 2
Friday 9th December



Poppy Day
Friday 11th
November



Thursday 1st December, 1900

CHRISTMAS BINGO



Cinderella
Pantomime production at
Winkleigh – Mon 14th November



Tempest Individual Photos

Tuesday 15th
November



Christmas Fair



Tuesday 13th December

Class 1 & Preschool
Circus Workshop
Wednesday 23rd
November



Class 1 & Preschool Nativity
Wednesday 14th December, 1000



Christmas Lunch



Wednesday 14th December

parents forum

Thursday 10th November, 0900

Preschool
Christmas Craft
Open Session

Thursday 8th
December, 0930

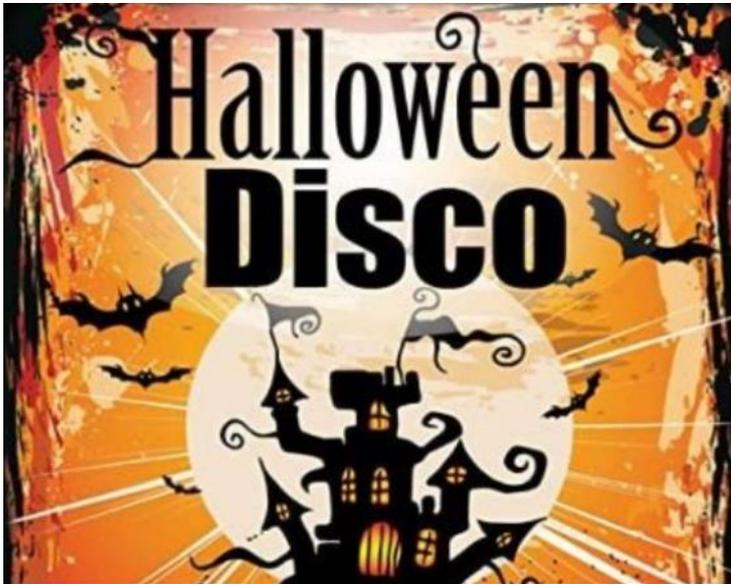


Class 2 Carol Service
Thursday 15th December



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

This week we have been on a trip to Northam Burrows with our friends in Year 2 from Winkleigh. All the children behaved fantastically and really enjoyed learning about beach habitats and rock pooling. You can see a gallery of photos on the website—[click here](#). Thank you to all the parents who stayed with us to wait for the coach.

In class, Reception have been thinking about emotions using the book, *The Colour Monster* by Anna LLenas. They have made 'glitter shakers', found rhyming words for some of the colours the Colour Monster is and used colours to describe how they are feeling. They have also been comparing the size, mass and capacity of different things. They all enjoyed comparing the capacity of containers using water!

In English, Year 1 and 2 have written a recount of our trip, made skeletons using art straws, used a variety of verbs to explain what skeletons can do and written their own Funnybones story. In Maths, Year 1 have been learning how to add together two numbers to make ten or less. They have used apparatus to help them do this. Year 2 have been adding and subtracting 2-digit and 1-digit numbers using Base 10 and number lines to help them.

The class have also made houses for the three little pigs using biscuits, found out about towns and compared them to villages, as well as sung and danced to the song 'Dem Bones'. They have thought about how we can forgive someone and created an abstract face in the style of Picasso.

What a busy and fun week! Well done Class 1. *Mrs Godly*



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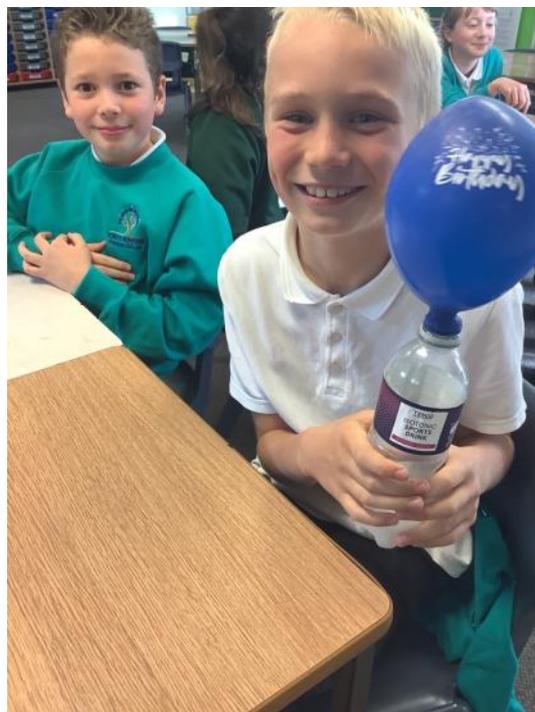


Class 2

We have been busy in Class 2 this week! In English, we have started our new sequence on *The Snow Globe* and the children have been familiarising themselves with the story and characters in the book. On Thursday the children mapped how Cass felt throughout the story and Years 5 and 6 plotted when in the story she felt what and why. Year 3 and 4 have been familiarising themselves with key vocabulary and finding synonyms and antonyms for them.

In Maths, Years 5 and 6 have been learning long multiplication and have been busy practising their reasoning skills. We have been working on using sentence stems to start our explanations and being really clear. Years 3 and 4 have been practising using column addition this week and have just started to subtract numbers. We have been using a range of methods and choosing which one best suits the calculation.

In Science this week, Years 5 and 6 have been learning about reversible and irreversible changes and completed the self inflating balloon experiment. The children then had to discuss what was happening and why the balloon did inflate as well as deciding if the change was in fact reversible or irreversible.



The class is continuing to enjoy their PE lessons with Mrs Miali and have been busy developing their netball skills and looking at positions within a game. Some truly excellent netball players have been discovered!

Year 5 and 6 have enjoyed their first day of Forest school today and we look forward to sharing pictures from today with you next week.



Lastly, please don't forget to complete the swimming form, if you haven't done so already.

Enjoy the weekend,
Class 2.



LITTLE WOODLANDS

NEWS FROM THE PRESCHOOL



Wow! What a week we have had enjoying the absolutely wonderful autumnal weather. We have undertaken lots of activities inside and out based around the rhyme 'Dingle Dangle Scarecrow'. The children have made their own scarecrows using different textures, created 2D shape scarecrows and they have made sculptures using natural materials and play dough. In the garden we have been observing the natural changes that are taking place all around us and had fun exploring the sand and water resources.

A couple of small housekeeping points. Please could adults who join us for Stay and Play please bring a covered cup with them so that hot drinks can be enjoyed safely during the session. Also, please remember that the children's drink bottles should contain water. Thank you very much.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Stapley



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.

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



GIRLS - FANCY GIVING FOOTBALL A GO?

Chulmleigh Youth FC (accredited with the FA) is actively looking to recruit for our girls' teams. If you fancy trying football and you are a girl in Year 6, 7, 8 or 9, please get in touch to organise a free taster session. We train on Fridays from 5pm – 6.30pm and participate in matches as part of the North Devon Youth League.

Contact our girls' co-ordinator Becki:
bxmiali@gmail.com



Photo credit – Fremington FC

Kings Nympton Playing Field Presents

Bonfire & Fireworks

night

Sat
5th
Nov



£4 Adults

£2 Kids

6PM (Fireworks 6.40pm)
Hotdogs & Soup.
Kings Nympton Playing Field.

ATTENDANCE



UK Health
Security
Agency



Should I keep my **child off school?**

Yes

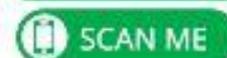
Until...

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| Chickenpox | at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over |
| Diarrhoea and Vomiting | 48 hours after their last episode |
| Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19) | they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19. |
| Impetigo | their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics |
| Measles | 4 days after the rash first appeared |
| Mumps | 5 days after the swelling started |
| Scabies | they've had their first treatment |
| Scarlet Fever | 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics |
| Whooping Cough | 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics |

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

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|----------------------|-----------------|
| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
| Head lice | Tonsillitis |
| Threadworms | Slapped cheek |



Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfoc>.

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**

WINTER MENU FROM 31/10

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



| One | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Option 1 | Cheese & Tomato Pizza | Hunters Chicken (Homemade BBQ Sauce) & Rice) | Roast Chicken & Stuffing (Optional) | Westcountry Sausage (Pork) & Mash with Gravy | Fish Fingers |
| Option 2 (v) | Vegetable Crumble | Quorn & Vegetable Fajita with Rice | Leek & Potato Layer Bake | Gnocchi with Quorn Mince Ragù | Quorn Dippers |
| Sides | Sweetcorn, Baked Beans & Potato Wedges | Broccoli & Peas | Roast or Boiled Potatoes, Savoy Cabbage, Carrots & Gravy | Country Mixed Vegetables | Wholemeal Pasta or Chips, Peas, Baked Beans or Crunchy Veg Sticks |
| And for pudding | Pancakes with sliced Banana & Honey | Apple Crumble & Custard | Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt | Sticky Toffee Cake topped with Toffee Sauce & Langage Farm Ice Cream | Homemade Chocolate Drop Biscuit |
| Jacket Potato | Cheese, Beans or Tuna | | | Cheese, Beans or Tuna | |
| Packed Lunch | | Cheese Salad Baguette | Tuna Salad Baguette | | |
| Available each day | Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative | | | | |
| Week starting: | 31/10/22; 21/11/22; 12/12/22; 16/01/23; 06/02/23; 06/03/23; 27/03/23 | | | | |
| Two | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Option 1 | Quorn Curry & Tilda Rice | Cottage Pie (Beef) | Roast Gammon & Pineapple (Optional) | Organic Pork Meatballs & Wholemeal Pasta | Salmon Bites OR Fish Fingers |
| Option 2 (v) | Macaroni Cheese | Tomato & Bean Pasta Bake with Crusty Bread | Vegetable Wellington | Vegetable Chilli | Vegan Sausage Roll |
| Sides | Peas & Sweetcorn | Green Beans, Swede & Gravy | Roast or Boiled Potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots & Gravy | Farmhouse Mixed Vegetables, Broccoli & Potato Wedges | Wholemeal Pasta or Chips, Peas, Baked Beans or Crunchy Veg Sticks |
| And for pudding | Homemade Banana Muffin | Jam Sponge & Pink Custard | Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt | Carrot Cake | Chocolate Cracknel |
| Jacket Potato | | Cheese, Beans or Tuna | | Cheese, Beans or Tuna | |
| Packed Lunch | Egg Mayo & Cress Filled Sandwich | | Cheese & Onion Wrap | | |
| Available each day | Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative | | | | |
| Week starting: | 07/11/22; 28/11/22; 02/01/23; 23/01/23; 20/02/23; 13/03/23 | | | | |
| Three | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Option 1 | Pizza Margherita | Tuna Pasta Bake | Roast Pork & Stuffing (Optional) | Lasagne (Beef) | Cod Goujons |
| Option 2 (v) | Plant Power Burger | Cheese Wheel & Potato Wedges | Veggie Roast | Singapore Style Noodles | Quorn Sausage |
| Sides | Sweetcorn, Baked Beans & Herby Diced Potatoes | Farmhouse Mixed Vegetables | Roast or Boiled Potatoes, Swede, Carrots & Gravy | Crusty Bread, Winter Rainbow Salad & Roasted Winter Vegetables | Wholemeal Pasta or Chips, Peas, Baked Beans or Crunchy Veg Sticks |
| And for pudding | Flapjack | Apple & Custard Cake with Langage Farm Ice Cream | Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt | Sticky Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Sauce | Homemade Jammy Dodger Biscuit |
| Jacket Potato | Cheese, Beans or Tuna | | Cheese, Beans or Tuna | | |
| Packed Lunch | | Tuna Baguette | | Pork Bap | |
| Available each day | Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative | | | | |
| Week starting: | 14/11/22; 05/12/22; 09/01/23; 30/01/23; 27/02/23; 20/03/23 | | | | |

Daily deadline for orders: 8am



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