



# KIDSGROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Headteacher

I hope this newsletter finds you well! There's a delightful buzz in our school community surrounding home learning, and we're keen to keep that momentum going!

We're excited to remind you about our Reading Buddy initiative. We encourage each child to read every night, as this not only fosters a love for literature but also supports comprehension through engaging questions.

For our Year 2 children and upwards, don't forget about Times Tables Rock Stars! This fantastic tool helps enhance their rapid recall of multiplication tables, making maths both fun and effective.

Additionally, our Numbots program is up and running, helping children explore numerical patterns and develop essential mental maths strategies.

To add a sprinkle of motivation, we'll be offering weekly rewards for top engagement in these activities. Together, we can create an enriching learning environment for our children.

Happy reading and calculating!

A couple of important dates next week.

TUESDAY 12th November- ODD SOCKS DAY. For Anti-bullying Children can wear odd socks with their uniform

FRIDAY 15th November- Children in Need. Children are invited to wear yellow or spotty clothes/items of clothing for a £1 donation.

Children will be completing some activities as part of their afternoon PSHE curriculum.



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# Attendance

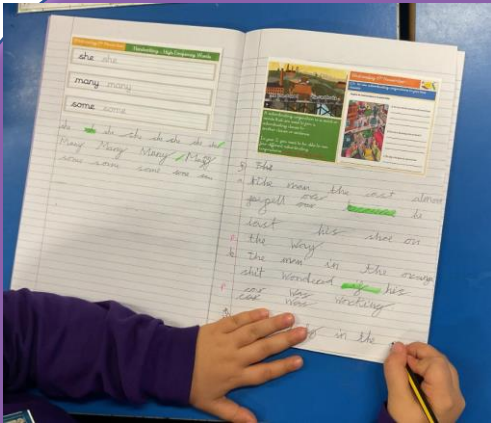
Whole School	
Statutory age	95.8%
Nursery	89.63%
Rabbits	94.76%
Year 1	92.92%
Year 2	97.65%
Year 3	99.09%
Year 4	95.26%
Year 5	98.46%
Year 6	97.33%

## ATTENDANCE EVERY DAY COUNTS






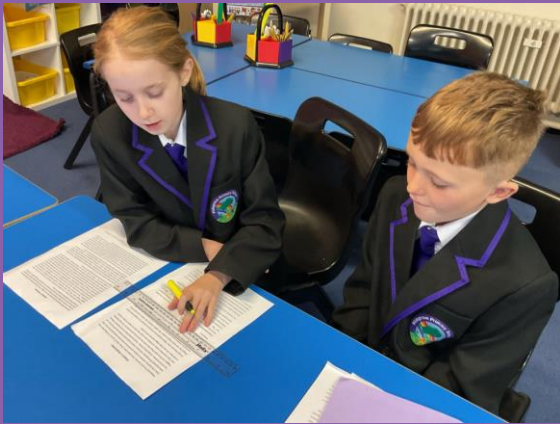
# Around the School



This week our little Mice have enjoyed making their bonfire pictures. They have done a fabulous job of them!

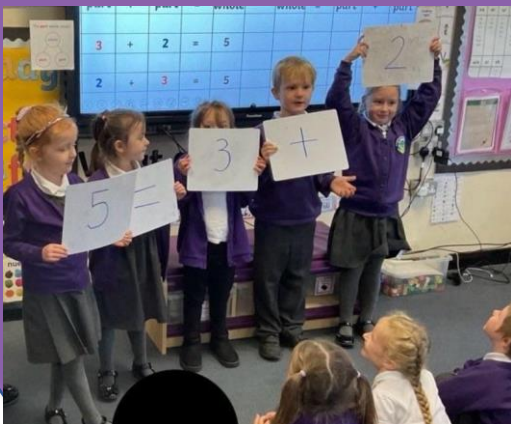


In SPAG, Foxes have applied our learning about subordinating conjunctions. Using 'because', 'if', 'that' and 'when', we used a Where's Wally style picture to identify different characters and write sentences using one of these conjunctions 



Owls developing their pairs reading skills through the use of our new text, Journey to Jo'burg.

Rabbits have been learning about one more than a number today ready to record our answers later in the week.



In maths, squirrels have been looking at addition fact families. We have been using part whole models to help us understand that the order of an addition sentence can be varied and that addition is commutative. This means that when two numbers are added together, this can be done in any order and the answer will stay the same.

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# Save the Date



# OPEN DAYS

NURSERY AND RECEPTION  
ADMISSIONS

# SEPTEMBER 2025



Meet the Team | School Tour | Welcome from the  
Headteacher and Early Years Lead |  
Refreshments.

Wednesday 20th November @ 4-5pm

Thursday 21st November @ 9 - 10am



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Student of the Week	Mice – Aria Rabbits – Kiyana Squirrels – Grace Badgers – Fluer Owls – Ella
Home Learning Heroes	Reading – Anastasia Timetables Rock Stars – Eliana Numbots – Darcey
Class dojo Bronze winners (200 points)	Aria, Seb, Ellie-Mae, Luna P, Kai, James W, Poppy T, Evie
Class dojo Silver winners (350 points)	
Class dojo Gold winners (500 points)	
Class dojo top 10 pupils of the week	Ariella, Aria, Heidi, Poppy T, Dalton N, Reggie, Codey S, Brooke, Sophie R, Amarnie
Perfectly Presented	Fluer, Grace L, Roxy, Nanci-mai, Derren, Owen, Archie, Reggie
Henry Hoover	Foxes
Golden Welly	Ella-Jean





# Save the Date

**KIDSGROVE PRIMARY PRESENTS**

**KPS CHRISTMAS MARKET**

**Come along and join the festive spirit at our KPS Christmas market.**

**Where: Kidsgrove Primary School**  
**When: Friday 6th December**  
**Time: 3:30pm - 6:30pm**

**LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS STALLS**

**SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CHOIR**

**KPS HOMEMADE CRAFT STALLS**

**TOMBOLA £1 A GO**

**MEET SANTA & GIFT £3.50 PER CHILD**

**FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT SCHOOL RECEPTION**



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# Dates

September 24	WC 30 <sup>th</sup> September – Year 1 – 6 daily swimming lessons
October 24	WC 7 <sup>th</sup> – Year 1 – 6 daily swimming lessons Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Hello Yellow Day £2 donation Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Seeing is Believing – Phonics / Reading – Join us in school and learn with your child WC 21 <sup>st</sup> – Year 5/6 Bikeability Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Halloween Dress up day £2.00 donation
November 24	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Year 3/4 Bikeability Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> – School Photos Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Flu Vaccinations Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> – 9 till 10am - Reception Intake 25 Open Morning Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> - 9am – Seeing is Believing – Maths – Join us in school and learn with your child Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> – Bring in a bottle for our tombolo store in return Non-Uniform
December 24	WC 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Assessment Week Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> from 3.30pm – Christmas Market Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> – 4 till 6pm – Parents Evening Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Christmas Jumper and Dinner Day Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> – 9.30am KS1 Christmas Performance Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> – 2pm – KS2 Christmas Performance Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> = 9.30am – EYFS Christmas Performance
January 25	
February 25	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Valentines Discos 1-2pm – EYFS 2 – 3pm – KS1 3 – 4pm – KS2 Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Join us for a brew and a biscuit



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March 25	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> – World Book Day WC 24 <sup>th</sup> – Assessment Week
April 25	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 – 6.30pm – Parents Evening
May 25	Commencing May – KS1 Sats Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> -9am – Join us for a brew and a biscuit WC 12 <sup>th</sup> – KS2 SATS
June 25	WC 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Year 4 MTC WC 9 <sup>th</sup> – Year 1 Phonics Checks WC 30 <sup>th</sup> – Assessment week
July 25	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – EYFS Class Assembly Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Squirrels Class Assembly Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Foxes Class Assembly Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Badgers Class Assembly Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Owls Class Assembly Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Reports go home Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Sports Day and Parents Picnic Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> – 5 till 6.30pm – Year 6 Prom Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> 9am – EYFS / KS1 Acorn Awards Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> – 2pm – KS2 Acorn Awards Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> – 2pm Year 6 Leavers assembly

**Save  
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Date**



More dates to follow – so  
watch this space





# Term Dates

## Term and holiday dates for academic year 2024/2025

### Autumn Term 2024

**Inset day:** Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September

**Term Starts:** Wednesday 4 September

**Half Term:** Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November

**Term Ends:** Friday 20 December

**Holiday:** Monday 23 December – Friday 3 January

### Spring Term 2025

**Inset day:** Monday 6 January

**Term Starts:** Tuesday 7 January

**Half Term:** Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February

**Term Ends:** Friday 11 April

**Holiday:** Monday 14 April – Friday 25 April

### Summer Term 2025

**INSET Day:** Monday 28 April

**Term Starts:** Tuesday 29 April

**May Day:** Monday 5 May

**Half Term:** Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

**Inset day:** Monday 21 July

**Holiday:** Tuesday 22 July – Friday 29 August



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