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Newsletter

Friday 8th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been lovely to see a buzz about learning interspersed with Christmas concert preparations this week. I am looking forward to watching the first of our performances next week.

Mrs Lynsey Holzer, CEO of The Active Learning Trust, and Jeremy Rowe visited Kingsfield on Wednesday and were delighted to see the warm, happy and hardworking atmosphere my wonderful staff team create in school every day.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Ellie Green

Miss E Green - Head Teacher

In this week's newsletter you will find information about the following:

- KPS Values Celebration
- Christmas Jumper Day
- Attendance: *Miss School – Miss Out!*
- Lindsay Thorpe: A TRUE Inspiration!
- Important Dates

KPS Values Celebration

Respect – Confidence – Resilience
Aspiration – Enthusiasm – Kindness

Congratulations to KPS Values Award winners. It is my favourite moment of the week to hear the teachers talk so enthusiastically about the amazing achievements and values of our children.

Reception

Laoise - Respect

Year 1 & 2

Taleigha - Aspiration

Sienna - Resilience

Jacob - Confidence

Daniella - Kindness

Year 3 & 4

Bluebell - Respect

Alex - Confidence

Raven - Kindness

Aaron - Resilience

Year 5 & 6

Harrison - Confidence

Miriam - Enthusiasm

Jake - Enthusiasm

Charlie - Respect

I am very proud of you all!

Thank you to all of the grownups and siblings who came along to support their child today.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you to everyone who supported *Save the Children* and wore their Christmas jumpers yesterday. Here are Class 2D spreading Christmas joy!



Attendance: *Miss School – Miss Out!*

Whole School attendance this week is 92.6%.

Let's aim for 99% attendance next week.

Attendance since September 1st is currently 94.3%.

Good attendance is above 96%. Let's aim to achieve 97% attendance by Christmas!



Attendance Matters



Lindsay Thorpe – Paracanoe Champion
The Value of Aspiration
from
A Former KPS Student's Inspirational Story



Hey Everyone!

For those who don't know me my name is Lindsay Thorpe, I'm also known for being Mrs Cutting's daughter. I am a former Kingsfield Primary School student and originally from Chatteris.

In May of 2016 I had to have my leg amputated due to the medical problems I had been suffering from all my life. This ended up being a blessing in disguise for me as even though adapting to life without my leg was difficult, I was signed to a multisport scheme with Team GB where I went to many different Para programs to try different sports and see if I had the potential to become an elite para-athlete. One of the sports I tried was Paracanoe and I fell in love. Bearing in mind I had never sat in a boat before, by the end of 2016 I was offered a full-time contract on the World Class program and have not turned back since. In my time as an athlete, I have managed to achieve a Bronze medal at my first World Championships, numerous rankings against the world's fastest nationally with only one year missing out on a podium spot due to injury. A World Championship Gold in a short distance crew boat and recently this year coming away with a European Silver. In 2024 I will be racing off for the one GB spot at the Paris Paralympic Games.

Through the years there has been a lot of ups and downs but mainly a lot of drive and focus to reach my goals. With this I was very fortunate to be awarded the Rushcliffe Sports person of the year. I hope that all that read my story can see that even from the small town of Chatteris with hard work and determination goals are very much achievable.

Best Wishes

L.Thorpe



Thank you so much for sharing your amazing, inspirational story, Lindsay. You clearly approach everything you do with ALL of our KPS values. We will definitely be cheering you on for the Paralympics. Good Luck!

Important Dates



December

- Wednesday 13th December – Flu Vaccinations
- Wednesday 13th December 14:00 Reception & Y1 Nativity



- Thursday 14th December 09:00 Reception & Y1 Nativity
- Friday 15th December - Non-uniform Day – Bring a bottle (donations for a tombola at the Christmas Fair) - children are welcome to wear Christmas jumpers today too



- **Monday 18th December - KPS Y2-Y6 Carols at the Church – Parents/carers welcome to join us at the church from 09:20**



- Monday 18th December - KPS Christmas Fair **15:10**
- Tuesday 19th December children are welcome to wear Christmas jumpers today
- Wednesday 20th December – Last day of term children are welcome to wear Christmas jumpers today



Please note that Wednesday 20th December is NOT a PD day, it is a festive day in school for all staff and children.

A lovely photograph from the official opening of the North Cambridgeshire Training Centre.

