

Kingsfield Chronicle

Week ending: 24.02.23



Ready, Respectful, Safe

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back. I hope you had a good half term break and have enjoyed the return to school. Our training day on Monday focussed on writing and developing our approach to teaching writing to ensure that children make accelerated progress. Teachers will be working hard this term to use this approach in our English lessons. Our Teaching Assistant team worked tirelessly throughout the day to create some wonderful displays to welcome the children back to school and spark their interest in the new books each year group will be learning about. Photos of these are in the curriculum update section below; as the children complete work related to the text, this will be added to the displays to reflect the journey of the learning taking place.

As you are already aware, we will be welcoming Miss. Candish and Mrs. Coates back to Kingsfield next week on a permanent basis; we are all looking forward to the next phase in the school's continuing development and know this increased capacity will secure greater improvement for Kingsfield. I would like to add a personal 'thank you' to all staff and parents for the support you have offered the school over the last year as I have undertaken the role of Head of School. It has been a wonderful opportunity and a privilege to work with you all in this capacity and I look forward to turning my attention back to my inclusion role in the coming weeks.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend,

Mrs. Read

Head of School

Upcoming Events For Families

27th February - Year R Bikeability: Please ensure your child has their bike, helmet and suitable clothes for the weather with them for the course. This course is only for those children who have been signed up for the training.

27th February – Year 1 & Year 3 'Chance to Shine' Cricket Coaching: Children in Year 1 and Year 3 will be working with a specialist coach to develop their cricket skills. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school and has warm clothing in the case of cooler temperatures.

28th February – Year 5 NSPCC Workshop: The NSPCC will be working with children in Year 5 about personal safety. This is a free activity and will take place during the school day.

1st March – Year 6 NSPCC Workshop: The NSPCC will be working with children in Year 6 about personal safety. This is a free activity and will take place during the school day.

2nd March – World Book Day: Children across the school are invited to dress up as their favourite book character and bring their favourite book to school. This is a free event but donations will be collected by the Reading Ministry to put towards buying new books for our reading corners in school. If your child would feel more comfortable in their pyjamas or their school uniform, please allow them to wear this on the day. There will be a special menu for school meals on World Book Day; the menu will be shared on ParentMail.

Curriculum Update

Nursery

During this half term, our curriculum will focus on 'Bugs'. We hope the children will enjoy learning about different bugs and their habitats, as well as beginning to understand the need to care for all living creatures. As part of this curriculum focus, we will be introducing key texts such as 'What the Ladybird Heard' by Julia Donaldson, 'The Very Busy Spider' by Eric Carle and 'Snail Trail' by Ruth Brown. In addition to this we will also be looking at reference books to support our learning.

Reception



This half term our theme is 'Dinosaurs, Eggs and Fossils'. We already know that our children love dinosaurs so we are really looking forward to learning more about them. The first book we are going to be reading in English is 'If I had a Dinosaur'. I wonder what you would do if you had a dinosaur at home?

In Maths we are continuing to explore the properties of shapes. We have already learned about circles and triangles. We are now moving on to learning about quadrilaterals. We are continuing to learn

about the composition of numbers up to 10 and use our tens frames to help us with this. Later this half term, we will be starting to learn about maps and the space around us.

Our handwriting is improving considerably and we are really proud of the children and their progress in this area. This half term we will be moving on to handwriting on paper and using a pencil. You can help your child to improve their writing by practising writing their name in the pre-cursive font. All the children have brought home a name card showing how their name is written. If you have any questions about this please ask.

Year 1



This half term our cross-curricular topic will be 'Map it Out' and 'Animals Including Humans'. In English, we will be learning mapping skills with a focus on the book 'Follow that Map'. We will also be learning all about the 'The Jolly Postman' and will be focusing on letter writing. The book 'Follow that Map' also links to our Geography topic where we will be learning about fieldwork mapping.

In Maths, we will be exploring measurement: length and height, mass and weight, capacity and volume. We will also continue our work on addition and subtraction.

'Animals including humans' is our Science focus. We will be identifying, naming drawing and labelling the basic parts of the human body and will learn all about the senses. In P.S.H.E., as part of this topic, we will be learning about the main external parts of the bodies of humans, including names for sexual parts. We will be learning about how to keep ourselves clean.

In P.E., during the half term, we will be learning skills used in cricket and gymnastics and, in Art, we will be exploring clay and making pinch and coil pots.

Year 2



This term we will be focusing on adventure stories written by Julia Donaldson in English, starting with 'The Snail and the Whale'. In Maths, we will learn about number and place value, measure, mass, capacity and volume. We will use our knowledge of addition and subtraction within these strands as well. Our Science topic will continue to focus on living things and habitats, learning about adaptation and food chains. In Geography, we

will learn about UK coasts, holidays and weather with a focus on our experiences of Hunstanton. In Art, we will design, create and evaluate 3D sea creature clay sculptures. We will learn about the Christian festival of Easter in our R.E. lessons and in P.S.H.E., we will learn about drugs education. In P.E., we will play a range of invasion games as well as play dry water safety games. In music, we will learn about reggae music with a focus on animals.

Year 3



In Year 3, we will be looking at the book 'George's Marvellous Medicine' by Roald Dahl. We will be using this to support our learning of playscripts, before moving onto narrative writing. In our Maths work, we will begin with Geometry and recapping our knowledge and understanding of 2D and 3D shapes. In Science, we will continue our learning on plants where we will plant and observe the growth of a bean. Our Geography lessons will continue to look at the water cycle, with a focus on how

this affects water locally (in the Fens). We will be using this knowledge to support our Design Technology work where we will be using mechanisms to create a moving explanation book about the water cycle. Through our R.E. topic, we will be looking at the Easter story. In Computing, we will be using online programs to create branching databases. In French, we will continue to learn the names of different musical instruments. In P.E., we will be working with a cricket coach to develop our bowling, catching and hitting skills, as well as working on our teambuilding skills through a variety of games and activities. In our Music lessons, we will be learning and practising our songs for the Year 3, 4 and 5 performance. We can't wait to share it with you!

Year 4



This half term, we are starting our new topic of Myths and Legends in English. We are going to be reading a range of Viking myths and legends from a book called 'The Dragon's Hoard' and by the end of the topic, the children will have written one of their own. In Geography, we are learning about settlements and land use, linking to our previous History topic on the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. The knowledge we will gain from the trip to West Stow will support this. We will also be finishing off our work on Viking invasions from last term.

In Maths, we will be revisiting place value, focusing on rounding and negative numbers. We will also be practising our times tables to support us in our learning. In Science, we are beginning our topic on Animals, Including Humans, where we will explore how food chains are created and how our digestive systems work.

In P.S.H.E., we will be looking at how to manage money and, in R.E., we are continuing our topic on Hinduism. The children will be learning about the stories of the different Gods and Goddesses, and how Hindus use these during their worship. In P.E., we are continuing with our Swimming lessons and the children will be starting a unit on dance.

Computing will be about data collection and ways to display and understand the information we have gathered. For our Art topic this term, we are going to be investigating different methods of printing Celtic designs onto different media. Finally, we will be learning the French version of Goldilocks in our languages lessons.

Year 5



This half term, our Geography topic is 'Online Mapping of Mesoamerica'. We will be building on our knowledge of the Maya and using it to explore the land formation of Mesoamerica including the features of the land. In D.T. we will be using our knowledge of the Maya to design and create a Mayan feast.

In Science, we will be exploring the properties and changes of materials. We will be experimenting the impact of the properties of different materials and separating different mixtures of materials using sieving, filtration, evaporation and magnetism.

Our R.E. topic will be continuing with Buddhism. We will be focussing on our emotions in P.S.H.E., including thinking about boredom, worries and stress and strategies we can use to overcome these. Our French topic will be habitats, where we will learn the names of different habitats as well as the different animals located in those habitats. In Computing, we will be learning about online databases.

We will be reading 'The Great Kapok Tree' in English and completing a range of writing pieces upon this. Finally, in Maths we will be learning about negative numbers, Roman numerals and shapes including angles, area and perimeter.

Year 6



This half term, the children in Year 6 will continue their topic on the Victorians and Trade. Using the story 'Street Child', based on the real life story of Jim Jarvis, we will be writing recounts and narratives. In maths, we will continue our work on the four operations alongside work on ratio, the properties of shape and position and direction. In science, we will be continuing our work on Evolution, including researching Mary Anning and exploring how fossils are used

to support research on evolution.

Our D.T. unit of work will link to our Victorians and Trade topic, where the children will be making vehicles to transport goods in Victorian times. Our R.E. focus will be on Christianity and how the Bible supports Christians to follow their moral compass. P.S.H.E. will enable us to learning about money and how to save and budget appropriately. We will be using Excel in computing to explore how to use a spreadsheet including inputting formulas. In P.E., our topics are tennis and gymnastics. P.E. days will continue to be a Thursday and Friday.

Celebrations and Awards

Class	Star of the Week	Resilience Rock
RK	Mason J-B	Charlotte S
1B	Esther L	Ava G
1M	Sebastian M	Iris W
2C	Kyrone F	Everly D
2D	Emily F	Poppy S
3LM	Maia-N R	Felicity M
3S	Alice B	Noah C
4P	Charlie B	Bella S
4W	Zuzanna B	Luke Y
5R	Paulius M	Lily W
5G	Aiden W	Poppy G
6C	Courtney R	Ethan W
6R	Rosie M	Autumn H

House Points

This week's points are:

Blue	270	Green	262
Red	241	Yellow	305

Well done to **Yellow Team!**

Kingsfield Primary School

Attendance Award

w/b 06.02.23

4W

98.6%

Reading Success

Congratulations to the following children for their amazing reading achievements:

30 reads	50 reads	100 reads
Sofia B S (3) Riley C (3) Ellie C (3) Noah C (3) Marco O (3) Vilte P (3) Julia S (3) Ryan V (3) Isaac S (4)	Amelia (1) Ruby J (1) Charlie R (2) Kai Z (3) Summer H (4) Amelia E (6) Evie L (6)	Olivia G (1) Paul G (2) Imeth D A (2) Olliver B (3) Dominic C (3) Maia N R (3) Poppy G (5) Max H (5) Charley T (5)

A very special mention to Millie M (2) and Noah Ca (3) who have read 150 times this year so far. Well done!

If you would like to support our reading initiative by donating an amount of money to fund the book prizes awarded to children, please contact the school office.

Sporting Success

Congratulations to Georgia R (4P) for competing in the Under 10s Muddy Monsters cycling event last weekend. Georgia won first place in the girls' contest representing the Ely & District Cycling Club – well done!



Diary Dates

New dates will be added weekly so please do read this section each week. New dates or changes are highlighted in red font.

Spring Term Dates 2023

27th February - Year R Bikeability

27th February – 20th March – A Chance to Shine Cricket coaching for Years 1 and 3

28th February – Year 5 NSPCC Workshop

1st March – Year 6 NSPCC Workshop

2nd March – World Book Day

6th March – Year 1 Visit to the Library

7th March – Year 2 Visit to the Library

7th March - RK class assembly, 2.30pm

7th March – Year 5 Cambridge Regional College Careers Event

14th March – 1B class assembly, 2.30pm

15th March – Key Stage 2 Maths Escape Room event

16th March – Year 6 Visit to Audley End

17th March – Year 6 Netball Competition

21st March - Year 3, 4 & 5 Production 1.30pm

22nd March - Year 3, 4 & 5 Production 1.30pm

22nd March - Parent Consultations

22nd March – Key Stage 1 Cricket Competition

23rd March - Parent Consultations

23rd March – Year 6 KickAsh Workshop

28th March – 1M class assembly, 2.30pm

28th March – Cromwell visiting Year 6

28th March – Year 4 Visit to West Stow

28th March – Easter traditional menu for school meals

30th March – PTA Easter Disco

31st March – Easter fun menu for school meals

31st March – PTA Easter Egg Hunt & Non-Uniform Day

31st March – Last day of term

Summer Term Dates 2023

17th April – Children return to school

19th April - 28th June - Year 3 Swimming

20th April - Group Photographs

21st April – 26th May – Maths Workshops for Parents

1st May – Bank Holiday

2nd May – Year 5 Math Challenge

8th May – Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation

9th – 12th May – Year 6 SATs

16th May – 4P class assembly

18th May – Sports Day

23rd May – 4W class assembly

23rd May—11th July - 6C swimming

25th May—13th July - 6T swimming

26th May – PD Day

29th May to 2nd June – Half term

5th June - Year 6 Bikeability

6th & 7th June – Year 4 Music Project

9th June – Year 6 Quadkids Competition

23rd June – Year 4 Quadkids Competition

24th & 25th June – Chatteris Midsummer Festival

29th June – Y6 Transition Visit to Neale Wade

29th June – Y6 Transition Visit to Cromwell

4th July - Y6 Transition Visit to Cromwell

7th July – Year 5 NFL Flag Football Competition

7th July – Y6 Transition Visit to Neale Wade

7th July - Y6 Transition Visit to Cromwell

11th July – Y6 Transition Visit to Neale Wade

13th July - Year 1 Visit to Wicken Fen

18th July - Celebration of Work

18th July - Year 6 Leavers' Production 6pm

19th July – Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9am

19th July – Last day of term

Term Dates for 2023-2024

1st September – PD Day

4th September – Children return to school

23rd – 27th October - Half term

19th December – Last day of term

20th December – PD Day

4th January – Children return to school

19th – 23rd February - Half term

27th March – Last day of term

Friday 28th March – PD Day

15th April – Children return to school

Friday 24th May – PD Day

27th – 31st May - Half term

19th July – Last day of term

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 27/02/23 20/03/23	Red	Cheese Swirl with New Potatoes	Chicken in a Tomato Sauce with Rice	Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Build a Burger Day Choice of Beef or Vegan Burger with a Selection of Toppings and Potato Wedges	MSC Fish Fingers with Chips
	Green	Tomato Pasta	Vegetable Curry with Rice	Crunchy Top Vegetable Bake with Roast Potatoes		Cheese Omelette with Chips
	Blue	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato		Jacket Potato
	Yellow	Picnic Box Cheese	Picnic Box Ham Baguette	Picnic Box Cheese Baguette		Picnic Cheese
	Dessert	Pear and Chocolate Crumble with Custard	Yogurt and Raisin Cake	Fruit Jelly		Vanilla Shortbread
Week 2 06/03/23 27/03/23	Red	Mac and Cheese Station Macaroni Cheese with a choice of Toppings	Chicken with Rice	Sausage and Gravy with Roast Potatoes	Spaghetti Bolognese with Garlic Bread	Fish Fingers with Chips
	Green		Quorn Fillet with Rice	Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese Bake with Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Fajitas with Rice	Mexican Roll with Chips
	Blue		Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
	Yellow		Picnic Box Ham Baguette	Picnic Box Cheese	Picnic Box Ham	Picnic Box Ham
	Dessert		Chocolate and Apple Sponge	Fruity Shortbread	Lemon and Berry Cake with Custard	Oaty Cookie
Week 3 20/02/23 13/03/23	Red	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato	Sausage roll with Wedges	Quirky Bird A choice of flavoured Chicken or Quorn with Savoury Rice and Selection of Salads	BBQ Turkey Fillet Burger in a Bun with Roasted New Potatoes	Fish Fingers with Chips
	Green	Veggie Chilli with Rice	Vegan Sausage with Wedges		BBQ Quorn Fillet Burger in a Bun with Roasted New Potatoes	Cheese Quiche with Chips
	Blue	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato		Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
	Yellow	Picnic Box Cheese	Picnic Box Ham Baguette		Picnic Box Ham	Picnic Box Cheese Baguette
	Dessert	Chocolate Cookie	Marble Cake		Apple Sponge with Custard	Orange and Lemon Shortbread

CHATTERIS PARISH
CHURCH, PE16 6BA
10AM - 12PM
FAMILY FUN EVENT

**SAT
11TH
MARCH**

SUGGESTED DONATION ON
THE DOOR £3 PER PERSON

LUNCH PROVIDED
BOOK ONLINE (LINK TBC)

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

DO YOU NEED FOOD?

**PLEASE RING THE CITIZENS
ADVICE BUREAU WORKER &
ASK FOR A FOOD VOUCHER**

0808 – 2082 -138

**IT IS FREE TO CALL THIS
NUMBER.**

Do you need some help or advice about supporting your children? Contact Beatrice Dark our school's Education Inclusion Family Advisor for free, confidential support.

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Working Hours

Monday – Friday 09.00-17.00