

Kingsfield Chronicle

Week ending: 24.09.21

Dear Parents / Carers,

This week I have had the pleasure of visiting lots of classrooms to observe lessons. Children have been calm, engaged and shared really good opinions about their learning.

Don't forget that next Friday is Slip Into Slippers day to raise money for Age UK, who have a branch in Chatteris. Children can come to school wearing slippers. The following Friday is the #HelloYellow day to look at children's mental health where children can come in non-uniform, wearing something yellow. This is also a charitable day but we are aware that all of these days and your kind donations to the Harvest Festival / food bank mount up. Therefore, please do not feel obliged to donate.



#HelloYellow

Please can I ask that anyone driving through the Burnsfield Estate follows the one way system. We have had reports of contractors and parents cutting through rather than driving round the ring. Obviously this goes against the Highway Code and so anyone not driving appropriately may find themselves reported to the police.

I hope that the weather holds out for you all over the weekend, Mrs. Coates.



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Diary Dates

New dates will be added weekly so please do read this section each week.

September 2021

27th - Harvest Festival for children

October 2021

1st - Slip into Slippers Day for Age UK

1st - Wood Green virtual talk to Early Years #1

8th Wood Green virtual talk to Early Years #2

8th - #HelloYellow Day

8th - Health and Wellbeing Festival at Cromwell

22nd - PD Day

25th - 29th - Half term

November 2021

3rd - Flu vaccinations for Years R-6

5th - 6R Class Assembly

19th - 5S Class Assembly

December 2021

3rd - 4C Class Assembly

8th - EY Nativity

14th - KS1 production

16th—Last day of term

January 2022

4th - PD Day

5th - Children return to school

14th - 3L Class Assembly

28th - 6T Class Assembly

February 2022

11th - 4R Class Assembly

14th - 18th - Half term

March 2022

4th - 2R Class Assembly

11th - 20th Science Week

18th - 1B Class Assembly

22nd - Years 3/4/5 production

Awards

From this year we will be awarding Stars of the Week and Resilience Rocks. Well done to the following children:



Stars of the Week

RK	Alyssia Rose D.
RM	Archie W.
1B	Dayton R.
1H	Karla K.
2C	Ted B.
2R	Leah D.
3DH	Charlie McC.
3L	Bradley B.
4C	Wyatt N.
4R	Dominic P.
5P	Autumn H.
5S	Ethan W.
6R	Sarah B.
6T	Megan F.



Resilience Rocks

N/A
N/A
Lily P.
Camilla S.
Harry P.
Angelo N.
Victoria B.
Ronnie H.
Joseph O.
N/A
Tyler F.
N/A
Tyler S.
Bethany-Rose B.

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SEND and Intervention Update

We have been working hard to develop the support in place for children in school. Over the past year we have completed lots of training and trialled some new forms of support in school. These have proven very successful with children and so we have developed these support groups in school this year. There are now clear systems in place to support children within the classroom, in intervention groups and in accessing more specialised support.

All children in school have been screened using Language Link, our system for assessing children's understanding of language, and tested using standardised tests in reading, maths and spelling. These tests are being used to help teachers and Teaching Assistants to identify groups of children who may need some additional support in class or in small intervention groups. We have also used this information to identify those children who may need more intensive support who are now accessing our Alternative Provisions.

Our Alternative Provisions are being run for each year group in school. Small groups of children work with highly trained Teaching Assistants on a nurture-based programme of support which is aimed at developing children's basic skills related to their communication, reading, writing and maths. If your child has been selected to access one of these groups, you will receive a letter explaining the provision and support that will be going into place.

In addition to the Alternative Provisions, we have also established our Sunflower Nurture Group this term which will be used to support children with their social and emotional needs. This group will be running every morning and is supported by Mrs Mills, Assistant Headteacher for SEMH, and Mrs Clark, TA. Mrs Mills will be making contact with the parents of those children identified as requiring support from this group.

We also now have two fully-trained ELSA TAs in school who can offer support for children's social and emotional well-being. Mrs Jenkins and Mrs Rickwood will be working with children individually, supporting them with managing emotions, developing social skills and in understanding and managing anxiety. Mrs Jenkins and Mrs Rickwood will be sending letters home to the parents of those children selected for ELSA support.

If you have further questions about the provision in place for children in school, or about children with special educational needs, please see the school's SEND Information Report on the school website. If your queries relate to your child in particular, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance who will refer queries on if required.

Mrs Lauren Read, Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion and SENDCo.

Reading Corners

We are looking to improve our reading corners, making them as exciting and as engaging as possible. If you have any of the following items that you no longer need, please send them in and we will repurpose them!

cargo nets

cushions

material for draping

small rugs



Year 1 - Request

In Year 1, the Design and Technology end of topic project is to make a moving vehicle for a nursery rhyme character of a child's choice. Please can we ask for your child to bring in a shoebox (clearly named) to be used as the chassis and any plastic milk bottle tops you might be able to collect, to be used as wheels! This is an exciting project for the children to participate in and your support would be greatly appreciated, as always! Please bring in by 8th October but we will start collecting straight away.

Year 1 - Save the date!

To support our 'Toys Over Time' topic in History, we have organised for History Off The Page to visit on Monday 13th December. This day will give children the opportunity to have hands-on experience with artefacts. More information will be sent out to parents closer to the time.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Hayward and Mrs Bendzulla, Year 1 Teachers



On Monday 27th September, we will be hosting a children's Harvest Festival. Reverend Wendy Thomson will be leading the service.

We would like to support the Trussell Trust who run food banks in this area. In the past year, they have given out over a 1000 packages to our families and we suspect that even more will be needed in future years.

If you would like to help us with this, please send in a donation with your child next week. All donations need to be in by Wednesday morning so that we can get the food to the central bank in Ely.

Donation ideas include:



Please check the products are in date.

Thank you in advance for your support.