



Kidmore End CE Primary School

Super News Kidmore End!

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Welcome to 2022!

Thank you to KESA and Churches

On behalf of the whole school, I would like to thank KESA and St John the Baptist Church and Christ the King Church for raising £9289.74 from our wonderful Christmas Fair.

I would like to particularly thank the KESA team for their commitment and involvement in raising this fabulous amount of money and I know they have worked hard and volunteered countless hours to make the event a success. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Reverend James, the church wardens, members of the church and the whole community for their commitment in making the day very special for all families of Kidmore End and beyond.



Please see the video here for some lovely photos:
<https://youtu.be/WW9FfrT8IY>

On behalf of the school, I would also like to thank all Kidmore End families for donating their time and making a financial contribution to this event by attending the event and spending money which will help to support our children. I will now begin discussions with the children at the school about how we can spend the money and begin to look at our Wild Wood project.

Parents Consultation Evening -14/15 Feb

The school will be holding face to face parents consultation meetings on Monday 14th February and Tuesday 15th February. Further information will be sent out in due course to enable you to book appointments.

Mr Griffin will join Mrs Ferguson on both evenings to gain a greater insight into the Year 2 children and any feedback from the parents.

Ink cartridge recycling

The school has a new box in the entrance hall to collect used inkjet cartridges to raise some extra funds for school.

E-Safety

At the start of the term we talked to the children about E-Safety. We asked the children to create posters and for classes to create E-Safety Charters which they would video.

Year 4 created a fabulous RAP song about being SMART online. Foundation Stage children also created a super video about what to do to keep safe when online. We hope to share these performances on our website class pages in the next few weeks.



Year 4 E-Safety SMART RAP

Two outstanding posters are shown below from Joshua and Amelie in Year 5.



Dates for the Diary

Spring 2022

Sat 22nd Jan - Cross Country @ Oratory Prep from 10am
Mon 24th Jan - FS Hearing Screening
Tues 1st Feb - FS @ Oxford Story Museum
Tues 1st Feb - Y2 @ Oxford Story Museum
Thu 3rd Feb - Dental survey for 5 years old
Thu 3rd Feb - Y5 Boys Football tournament - Oratory tbc
Mon 7th Feb - Children's Mental Health Week
Mon 14th Feb - Parents' evening 3.20 - 6.30pm
Tues 15th Feb - Parents' evening 3.20 - 5.30pm
Wed 16th Feb - Y5 to see Shiplake Theatre Performance tbc
Wed 16th Feb - NO CLUBS
Fri 17th Feb - Y1 and Y2 Traditional Tales Workshop

Half term is 21st Feb to 25th Feb 2022

Thu 3rd Mar - World Book Day
Fri 4th Mar - No RUNNING or CHESS CLUB
Sat 5th Mar - Henley Youth Festival starts
Sat 5th Mar - Cross Country @ MECE from 10am
Thu 10th Mar - Y4 Dance Festival -Oxford (Note change of date)
Sat 12th Mar - Henley Youth Festival fun run
Mon 14th Mar - Science Week
Tues 15th Mar - 9am KESA Bag2 School collection
Fri 18th Mar - Red Nose Day
Fri 18th Mar - KESA Discos
Fri 25th Mar- School 'Video Day' Activity Day
Fri 8th Apr - Easter Service (Church)
Fri 8th Apr - Last Day of Term - 3.15pm finish

Summer 2022

Mon 25th April - Back to School
Tue 26th Apr - Y6 WW1 Trench Experience trip
Weds 27th Apr - 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents
Mon 2nd May - Bank Holiday
Tue 3rd May - Y2 KS1 SATS assessments start
Mon 9th May - Y6 SATS assessment week
Mon 16th May - Y6 Cycle Training week
Half term is May 30th - June 3rd
Mon 6th Jun - Y1 Phonics Tests this week
Mon 20th Jun- School closed
in lieu of Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday
Thu 30th Jun - 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents
Tues 5th Jul - Sports Day tbc
Thu 7th Jul - Sat 9th July Y5 Camping Experience
Fri 15th Jul - Y6 leavers' assembly 9am
Fri 15th Jul - Year 6 Leavers' Play
Thu 21st Jul - Last day of term 1.30pm finish

Cross Country Event

Congratulations to our Runners

Well done to our wonderful Cross Country Runners who started the term with fantastic performances.

Ambrose-Y3 came 1st & received a medal
Lois- Y5 came 2nd & received a medal
Emelia - Y1 came 3rd & received a medal
Teddy - Y1 came 3rd & received a medal
Irving - Y5 came 3rd & received a medal

Ambrose receiving his medal from the Headmaster of Shiplake College.



Next event: The Oratory Prep School (tomorrow)
22nd January 2022
Race times start from 10.00am

COVID precautions

The school will continue to remain vigilant and continue to use our current control measures in the school as we have a small number of cases within the school.

The key control measures for staff, parents and children are listed below.

The school will:

1. Ensure good hygiene for everyone.
2. Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes.
3. Keep occupied spaces well ventilated.
4. Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.
5. Ensure staff are continuing to wear face masks in communal areas.
6. Ensure visitors and parents wear a face mask when visiting the school (inside the school building).
7. Ensure parents inform the school as soon as practically possible if their child has tested positive.
8. Continue to ask staff to Lateral Flow test twice weekly.

Close Contact Information

Close contacts in schools are now identified by NHS Test and Trace and education settings will no longer be expected to undertake contact tracing.

Adults who are fully vaccinated and all children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 are strongly advised to take a LFD test every day for 7 days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result.

Daily testing of close contacts applies to all contacts including

- fully vaccinated adults - people who have had 2 doses of an approved vaccine
- all children and young people aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months, regardless of their vaccination status
- people who are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons
- people taking part, or have taken part, in an approved clinical trial for a COVID-19 vaccine.
- those who have previously tested positive for Covid.

If you test positive for COVID19 - What has changed

The self-isolation advice for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) has changed. It is now possible to end self-isolation after 5 full days if you have 2 negative LFD tests taken on consecutive days. The first LFD test should not be taken before the fifth day after your symptoms started (or the day your test was taken if you did not have symptoms). The self-isolation period remains 10 full days for those without negative results from 2 LFD tests taken a day apart.

This guidance is for:

- *people with symptoms that may be caused by COVID-19, including those who are waiting for a COVID-19 test result
- *people who have received a positive COVID-19 LFD or PCR test result (whether or not they have symptoms)
- *people who currently live in the same household as someone with COVID-19 symptoms, or with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 by LFD or PCR test.



SPRING TERM

Week 2 and 3 Stars of the Week

Week 2

- FS - Maisie and Noah J
- Year 1 - Dougal and Ryan J
- Year 2 - Scarlett and Aaron
- Year 3 - Jacob and Emelia
- Year 4 - Ben and Leo
- Year 5 - Estelle and Levi
- Year 6 - Fionn and Harry

Week 3

- FS - Sadie and Amelie
- Year 1 - Spencer and Jessie
- Year 2 - Charlie and Barnaby
- Year 3 - Darcy H and Robbie B
- Year 4 - Anthony and Ellis
- Year 5 - Joshua and Oscar
- Year 6 - Harriet and Francesca

New Rewards Achievement Badges

Attendance Badges and Presentation Badges

As Headteacher, I have decided as a new tradition at Kidmore End CE Primary School to introduce new end of term rewards which will include prestigious award badges which children will wear with pride.

One child will be selected each term for the Best Presentation Award (an award for showing the greatest improvement in their presentation in their exercise book).

One child will also be selected for an Achievement Award and this will focus on a child who has made outstanding progress in the term.

Children who have 100% attendance throughout the year will also receive an attendance award badge.



These awards will be presented at the final assembly of the term and their parent will be invited to attend.

School Uniform

Unfortunately most sizes of school fleeces are currently unavailable from our supplier. In the meantime other additional layers are acceptable to ensure the children are warm enough.

We have plenty of second hand uniform in stock, (except fleeces!) so if you need anything please send an email titled 'second hand uniform' to the office with details of what you're looking for and we'll do our best to help.

KESA - Friday Fundraiser

Next Friday!



Around the school...

In Foundation Stage/Reception

It has been a cold start to the term but it has meant lots of exploring and fun with ice! We have loved searching for frozen puddles in the most unexpected places, making ice patterns, ice paintings and we even had a go at blowing then freezing bubbles right before our eyes!!!! We found it fascinating to listen to the sound of bubbles popping on the frozen puddle and the water tray.

We have started a new Big book story in Phonics and we are enjoying finding out what excuse Luna will find next for not wanting to go to bed! We have told Mrs Hinnell that we are not like Luna and that we all go to bed really nicely!!!! In maths we are continuing our subitising work and also exploring time. We have enjoyed some 30 second and one minute challenges and have discovered that it is really tricky to stand still on one leg for a whole minute!!!

We have also been very busy working on our E safety pledge and look forward to sharing this with parents when it is finished.

In Year 1

This week we have been writing about our Year 1 Royal Garden Party. Thank you so much for sending your children in with such smart clothes, they really enjoyed the whole event and displayed beautiful manners! The children have loved seeing some of the photos from the Garden Party. Here are a few of them for you to enjoy.



In Science we have been learning about the seasons and making predictions about what will happen in spring. In Geography we have been learning about the countries that make up the United Kingdom and looking at some of their physical features. In Maths we have been learning to add to 20 and to subtract by counting back. In PE we have been enjoying our team games and learning lots about cooperation and good sportsmanship. In Computing the children have been enjoying programming the Beebots in class. In Religious Education we have started a new topic about Creation by looking at our wonderful world. Finally, in DT the children have started to look at our new topic 'Taxi!' which will involve investigating wheels and axles and designing their own model taxi.

In Year 2

In Year 2 we have been busy learning about the coastline and have enjoyed finding different places on maps of the UK. We have enjoyed learning the names of the oceans and continents and locating them on a world map and the globe.

In Science we are looking at plant survival. We have been outside to look for evergreen and deciduous trees in the playground and were very excited to see buds appearing on some of the branches. We are busy improving our cricket skills and seeing how far we can hit the ball. One of our favourite activities has been designing a beach hut and we are looking forward to building them. We will let you know how they went next time.

In Year 3

Year 3 has been journeying to the centre of the earth to find out what our planet is made from. They discovered how this creates geographical features such as mountains and volcanoes, and causes phenomena such as earthquakes.

They have been writing descriptive poetry about volcanic eruptions and brought these to life in their PE lesson by creating a dance in which they all became bubbling magma!

In our ICT lessons they learnt how to format text, and save and print documents, while in art they explored fibonacci patterns in nature and developed their own motifs based on these. It's certainly been a busy and fun start to the term!

In Year 4

Last week Year 4 have been making view finders. We have been sketching objects while looking through the view finder, making sure we have accurate drawings.

On Tuesday, everyone made up a rap on E-Safety and we presented them as posters. We also made a class recording of a rap Mrs Thomas made up. We brought in accessories to film it and everyone had a really great time! On Wednesdays this term we are doing dance. In groups of four we each choose a character from Wind in the Willows and we act out the story in dance form. We are practising for our big show in Oxford later this term.

In PE we are beginning to play hockey which is lots of fun. We are learning how to dribble and control the ball, and the rules of the game.

Our topic this term is mountains and rivers. So far we have learned about the different sections of a river and we are excited to find out more about geography!

In Year 5

Over the past couple of weeks, Year 5 have been learning all about farming as part of the Sow, Grow and Farm topic. Children have been working hard, learning all about Fairtrade and have been writing their own persuasive leaflets to encourage people to buy Fairtrade.

Also, children have been practising their multiplication and division skills in maths, learning a range of methods to help them calculate number problems. Finally, Year 5 have really enjoyed starting swimming this term and have been fantastic representatives of the school!

In Year 6

In the first week back, we were introduced to our new topic - Frozen Kingdoms. We are enjoying this topic so far. Our Maths topic for the first week was decimals. English was poetry, understanding and learning how to write haikus. We started learning about Judaism in R.E. And our PE was netball on Mondays and we are getting ready for the Athletics competition on Fridays. We started a fiction book related to our frozen kingdoms topic called Sky Song.

With the knowledge from the first week about haikus, we created better and more descriptive haikus. Also we learnt and wrote a Sonnet and a ballad. Maths got a lot more interesting as we learnt about percentages. English was spent finishing and typing up our poems. In geography, we started to write an expedition log to the Antarctic or the Arctic. We learnt about what classes animals fit into and how to separate them in a classification key. In art we learnt to draw polar bears and penguins.