

Kidmore End CE Primary School Super News Kidmore End!



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Events at Kidmore End CE Primary School

Jubilee Celebrations Written by Hanna & Oliver Y6

The day started off with a special Jubilee Assembly. This was led by Year 6 and Year 2 sang a song about Alfred the Great.

At the end we sang a song about the Jubilee celebrations and finished with the national anthem which Year 1 showed us how to do.

After lunch we all did more of our jubilee activities set by our teachers and had a nice relaxing afternoon.



Throughout the day all the classes did jubilee related activities such as: word-searches. crosswords and colouring. This gave us a chance to relax and learn about the Queen's amazing legacy and all her achievements.

At lunchtime we all had a special jubilee meal that consisted of hot dogs, chips and a couple of vegetables.



A prayer for the Queen

We all sat outside on tables and ate our food together in our year groups out in the sunshine.



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Open Day - Thursday 30th June 2022



Please can all parents help to advertise our Open Morning on Thursday 30th June? Please share the information with your friends, or find us on Facebook. Instagram or Twitter and like and share these to spread the word.

Monday June 20th 2022 - It is a Holiday!

A quick reminder that our school will be on holiday this day to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. This is the day we have decided to take off in lieu of the extra holiday in half term week. We ask that parents and carers do not take any days around this long weekend as most children will be involved in important tests and assessments.

KESA - volunteers

The Summer Fair is quickly approaching and we are keen for lots of parents to volunteer to run events. The children and the school are very lucky to have all the wonderful events but we always need volunteers and fundraisers. Please can you help?

Please contact Lucy Shah (Year 1 and Year 5 parent) on the following email: <u>kesa@kidmore-end.co.uk</u>

Parking problems



Yesterday, we had a visit from our local police community support officer. I invited him to the school to discuss the parking around the school as we have received numerous complaints from neighbours and parents in the past few weeks.

There are number of issues, with the biggest being:

- Parents parking on the yellow lines outside the school building and gates
- Parents parking on the footpaths
- Parents blocking emergency vehicle routes e.g. a fire engine on Tokers Green Lane
- Parents parking in front of the mirror opposite the well.

I understand how difficult it is to park around the school but it is important that all parents, grandparents and carers park legally and with courtesy when they come to drop off or pick up from school. The PCSO will continue to monitor the situation with me and we will begin to directly challenge any poor parking or illegal parking to ensure we protect the safety of all road users, including pedestrians (our children), cyclists and other road users and emergency vehicles.

Dates for the Diary Summer 2022

Half term is May 30th - June 3rd Wed 1st June - 10am-4pm School open to drop off Art Entries Sun 5th Jun - Kidmore End Parish 'Big Lunch' Sun 5th Jun - Choir at St John the Baptist Church Mon 6th Jun - Y1 Phonics Tests this week Thurs 9th Jun - Y6 Cycling Test Thurs 9th Jun- Y5/6 Quadkids County Final Fri 10th Jun - Y3 Roman Workshop Fri 10th Jun - Y6 Ice Cream Sale Mon 13th Jun - Y6 Water sports day Thu 16th Jun - LAMDA exams Thu 16th Jun - Choir performance (evening) Dorchester Abbey Fri 17th Jun - KESA Father's Day Shop - during school hours Fri 17th Jun - KESA Crazy Hair Day Mon 20th Jun School closed in lieu of Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday Tues 21st Jun - Mr Hartley from MECE to see Y5 Thurs 23rd Jun - KS1 Quadkids @ Kidmore End Fri 24th Jun - Y3 Trip to Oxford Botanic Gardens Thu 30th Jun - 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents Fri 1st July - KESA Discos Tues 5th Jul - Sports Day - followed by Summer Fair Wed 6th Jul - Y4 Trip to Ashmolean, Oxford Wed 6th Jul - Y5 Taster Day at Highdown Wed 6th Jul - Last teacher-led clubs Thu 7th Jul - Sat 9th July Y5 Camping Experience Thu 7th Jul - Y2 trip to Oxford Castle Sat 9th Jul - Choir to sing at Caversham Fete Mon 11th Jul - Reports to go out Weds 13th Jul - 'Class Swap' day Thurs 14th Jul - Y5 concert pm - details to follow Fri 15th Jul – Y1 Beale Park trip Fri 15th Jul - KESA Ice Cream Fundraiser Fri 15th Jul - Y6 Leavers' Play and Y6 Parents' gathering (evening) Thu 21st Jul - Leavers' Farewell & Presentation assembly/breakfast Thu 21st Jul - Last day of term 1.30pm finish

Sun 21st- Mon 22nd August - "Working Bee"

Autumn 2022

Thu 1st Sept - Inset Fri 2nd Sept - Inset Mon 5th Sept - First day for children Weds 21st Sept - 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents Mon 17th - Fri 21st Oct -Y6 Woodlands Residential (Details to follow)

School Uniform

Half term might be a good time to consider if your children need any new uniform for next year. Although we have ordered stock for the new academic year, we have noticed that deliveries from the supplier are taking longer since the pandemic, so the sooner you order for the new academic year, the more likely you are to receive your order before we break up for the summer holidays.

Don't forget we also have a stock of 'pre-loved' uniform; if you'd like anything please send an email headed 'second hand uniform' to the office with an idea of what you're looking for.



SUMMER TERM Week 1&2 Stars of the Week

Week 3 - w/e 13/05/2022

FS - Jamie and George Year 1 - Amy and Luca Year 2 - Lara and Ned Year 3 - Imogen and Mollie Year 4 - Ben and Sophia Year 5 - Levi and Estelle Year 6 - Year 6

Week 4 - w/e 20/05/2022

FS - Noah J and Marharita Year 1 - Leo and Arlo Year 2 - Olivia and Sam Year 3 - Ambrose and Jamie Year 4 - Audrey and Vasisht Year 5 - Maksym and Danylo Year 6 - Eleni and Jakub

Around the school

In Foundation Stage/Reception

We have had a wonderful morning with Luke at Quirk's Animal Roadshow! The children were all fantastic and really enjoyed meeting the animals. Some children were incredibly brave and touched or held the animals even though they didn't think they would be brave enough! We told Luke some of the things we have learnt this half term and we learnt lots of new animal facts too!



Our favourite parts were when the animals performed their party tricks - 'Splat' the tree frog showed us his climbing skills - can you spot him in the picture on the wall in the hall? And Mischief the snake was tied in a knot and then was able to untie himself! An exciting end to our Animal safari topic. We also thoroughly enjoyed our Lego workshop on Monday. We enjoyed making spinners and the children were excited to go back to the classroom to create things that spin with our construction toys - we had fairground rides and even a windmill. Thank you to our visitors who have inspired us this week.



Spot the frog!



In Year 1

This week in Year 1, following on from our trip to Milestones Museum, the children have imagined they were Victorian school children and have written diary entries based on what school would have been like then. In History, we have enjoyed looking at Victorian artefacts from the Oxfordshire Museum Loan Box. In Maths the children have been learning about whole, half and quarter. They had fun with a partner carefully cutting a pancake into quarters and then eating half of it each.



The children loved the Lego workshop where they tried out their creations on a zip wire made of different materials to see which went faster.

In Phonics they have worked really hard learning the last sounds ready for their Phonics Screening Check after half term. In DT the children have designed their own fruit salad and made their own logo, ready for making their fruit salad this Friday. In PE the children have been getting better and better at rounders, we have played bean bag rounders and this week some Year 6s came to introduce them to Kick Rounders (a version where you kick a football!).

In RE the children have been learning stories from the Old Testament - Noah and the Ark, Moses and Joseph have all been really enjoyed. Finally, as well as watching our tadpoles grow in the classroom, the children enjoyed a bee workshop and also seeing caterpillars and butterflies as part of Show and Tell.

In Year 2

To end this half term, Year 2 really enjoyed displaying their Tudor portraits to other classes. We explained what we had learnt about Royal portraits and how we created our own interpretations of them.

Foundation, Year 3 and Year 6 gave really constructive feedback and we were very proud of our creations.



In Maths we have been building on our knowledge of fact families and number bonds to 20. We have been using tens frames to deepen this understanding.

In Science, we have been learning more about life cycles and micro habitats. We each chose a habitat to research and wrote some information about the environment and the animals that live there. Our class caterpillars are now chrysalides and we are looking forward to learning more about their life cycle.

In Year 3

Year 3 have been delving deep inside the structure of plants, examining roots, stems and leaves in detail, and identifying the function of xylem and phloem. Some of the class proudly represented the school at the Quad Kids athletics competition where they had great fun and did us proud. In topic lessons, the children were introduced to some Roman emperors and ranked them from most to least significant. They also finished making their mosaic tiles which look beautiful and very authentic.



In Year 4

These last couple of weeks, we have been very active here in Year 4. On 17th May, Mr Heritage took a few children from Year 4 and 5 to a cricket festival. They had an amazing time! On 24th May, years 3-6 participated in a competition called Quadkids at Chiltern Edge. There were four activities: standing long jump, distance run, sprint and whistle rocket throwing. After comparing the scores, Year 4 came 4th place out of 7! It was a brilliant day out!



We have been enjoying our topic and earlier this week we made little figurines of Sumerian people out of clay. Everybody thought about the Sumerian features so well, they looked like they could have been from 6000 years ago! They were fantastic!



Also this week, we have been writing a diary of a Sumerian. We chose a job for our character and wrote about one of their memorable days.

We have now finished our topic on ancient Sumer and next term we will be learning about ancient Egyptians. We can't wait!

In Year 5

The last couple of weeks have seen our class expand with the welcome addition of Maksym and Danylo. It has been great to see all of Year 5 being so welcoming, patient and supportive as they get used to life at Kidmore End.

Year 5 have also worked really hard over the last couple of weeks when learning all about Greek comedy play scripts. We have looked at all the different features of one and enjoyed performing the same play before writing and performing our own. Year 5 are certainly deserving of half term and we hope you enjoy the sunshine!

In Year 6



We spent last week carrying out our cycling proficiency training. We learnt our highway code and how to cycle safely on the roads. We all worked really hard. We would like thank Mr Heffer for all his help and support as well as the parents who came in to help us.

This week we have started learning our leavers' play.

On Tuesday some of us took part in the Quadkids competition at Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge with three other local schools. We had four events - vortex throw, standing long jump, 100m sprint and a 600m distance run. Kidmore End Team A came second, and will be taking part in the County Finals; Kidmore End Team B came fourth. We'd like to thank Mr Nutt and the pupils of MECE who ran the competition for us.



World Bee Day



On 18th June we were lucky to have a visit from one of our governors and some of her bees in our Outdoor Classroom.

It was fascinating to see bees in action. Gardening Club enjoyed trying on beekeeping outfits and eating honey sandwiches



"I really enjoyed watching the bees. Queen bees are sprayed different colours each year - this year the queen bee is yellow" Ava, Year 2

"My favourite bit was seeing the honeycomb which the queen bee uses to lay her eggs" Albie, Year 2

School Song

Nine School Council members visited St Joseph's School on Wednesday 18th June to hear the school song that Y10 & Y12 are composing for us. School Council were asked to critique the song and had a chance to sing with the St Joseph's students. We look forward to the final version.

Here is the first draft of the chorus:

"We're all and one and part of a team Kindness and friendship is our theme And when it's time to go back home Kindness and faith, I have shown"







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Bank Holiday

* There will be 2 x 3 hour twilights w/c 5th Sept & w/c 12th Sept in lieu of Inset Day 5 (Mon 19th Dec)