

## Kidmore End CE Primary School Super News Kidmore End!



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## Events at Kidmore End CE Primary School

#### Attendance at Kidmore End 2022-2023

Our current attendance at Kidmore End The current attendance is:

96.96%

The School Attendance Policy is also being ratified with the following Government guidelines:

Working together to improve school attendance - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

#### The target for the school is 97%.

If you need to apply for your child to have leave from school, please complete the Leave Request Form on the school's website. It is possible that you will need to meet with Mr Griffin regarding the reasons and for this reason we require at least two weeks' notice. Holidays will not be authorised.

#### TEAM POINT WINNERS

Well done to Saturn who have won this half term's prize.

Team Point Weekly Scores totals 17.10.2022			
<b>Jupiter</b>	MARS		
681	704		
<b>NEPTUNE</b>	SATURN		
666	729		

Those children in Saturn can wear non-uniform on Wednesday 19th October. Saturn in Year 6 can wear nonuniform on Tuesday 1st November.

#### Lost Property

There is already a large amount of UNNAMED lost property in the box. If the weather is fine we will put the box on the playground for you have a look through. PLEASE name your child's items, even if just in biro on the label, although this needs to be checked regularly as it will wash out. Also, please rename items that have been passed on to you.



On Thursday 13th October, staff and students from St Joseph's College, Reading visited the school to perform our new school song written by music students at St Joseph's.

The children were taught the song and learnt the verse and chorus. Here is the chorus:

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

The school council have been instrumental in developing the ideas linked to the school song and we believe that the music students have done a sterling job linking the ideas of the school council with the school's new vision.

#### Oratory Yr 5 Maths Competition

Well done to Isabella, Leo, Vasisht and Audrey who represented the school at the annual Year 5 Maths Competition held by the Oratory. The children had to tackle a range of difficult Maths Rounds including estimation and practical activities. Although the maths was extremely difficult, all four children worked as a super team to achieve Third Place. Well done!



## School Council has lead question at Children's Parliament



Tess (Year 6) represented the school and our MP and constituency last week at the annual Children's Parliament held online at Parliamentary Chambers: a meeting where children from around the country meet online to debate key topics and current areas of concern. Tess had the honour of reading out the first question in the Children's Parliament which was then heavily debated by the children online.

The Zoom meeting for the Children's Parliament



**Tess's question:** "Coming out of Covid, there are more children than ever needing support with their mental health. What is being planned for the future to ensure there is enough support available for young people?"

#### Harvest Assembly, Service and Charity Collection

Last week, the school held a number of events to celebrate the Harvest. The children raised money for Mary's Meals and they also donated for local foodbanks.

Year 2 children helping with all the food collected.



The highlight for me was the choir singing in the Harvest Service on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October at the church and Maksym in Year 6 who stood up in front of all the parents and children in our Harvest Assembly and read from the Bible. It was a wonderful moment. Thank you to all the children and parents who have given to charity.

#### Cross Country - another success



There was a great turn out at the second cross country event held recently at Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge. There were lots of fantastic results with Ambrose and Carter coming first and Freya and Wilf also getting podium places. The Year 5 boys' team also performed extremely well with Carter, Ted and Jacob excelling.

Our next two races are:

5<sup>th</sup> November 10.00-11.30am 3<sup>rd</sup> December 10.00-11.30am

Running Club is on this Friday 21st October.



Thank you to all the Kidmore End Parents who helped disassemble the rotten decking in Mr MacGregor's Garden on Sunday  $16^{\rm th}$  October.

We plan to build a new deck over the next few weeks.

We need a group of roughly 10-12 parents to help on the following days:

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022 10.00-1.30pm Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2022 10.00-1.30pm

Parents should email the school office if they are able to help on either day and we will then confirm names for both days.

## Dates for the Diary

https://www.kidmore-end.co.uk/parents/calendar

#### Autumn Term Dates 2022

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> - Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Oct - Y6 Woodlands Residential Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Oct - Y5 Tag Rugby Tournament at The Oratory Wed 19th Oct - Saturn Dress As You Please Day

#### 24th - 28th Oct - Half-term

Thu 27th Oct - Lego Workshop at Kidmore End Primary

Mon  $31^{\text{st}}$  Oct - INSET day (no school for pupils)

Tue 1st Nov - Y6 Saturn Dress As You Please

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov - Deadline to return KESA Christmas Card designs

to School - more info to follow before half term

Wed 2nd Nov -School and Individual Photos TBC

Thu 3rd Nov - School and Individual Photos TBC

Fri 4th Nov - 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents

Sat 5th Nov - 10am Cross Country @ MECE

Mon 7th Nov - Y3 Ufton Court Trip - details to follow

Thu 10th Nov - 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents

Tue 15th Nov - 1.30pm Open Afternoon for prospective parents

Wed 16th Nov - FS Trip - details to follow

Fri 18th Nov - Children in Need Day

Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov - Y1 & 2 STEM Trip - details to follow

Wed 23rd Nov - Y3 & 4 STEM Trip - details to follow

Wed 23rd Nov - 1.30pm Open Afternoon for prospective parents

Thu 24th Nov - Y5 & 6 STEM Trip - details to follow

Fri 25th Nov - KESA Dress as you please Day - new toy donation

Wed 30th Nov - Donate 'Pre-loved Christmas Jumpers' Day

Thu 1st Dec - 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents

Thu 1st Dec - 2pm Choir to the Big Sing in Oxford

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec - KESA Pre-loved Christmas Jumper & Cake Sale

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec - All clubs after school finish

Sat 3rd Dec - 10am Cross Country @ MECE

Wed 7th Dec - Y4 Trip - details to follow

Thu 8th Dec - 9.30am FS & Y1 Nativity Performance

Fri 9th Dec - FS & Y1 Nativity Performance (PM)

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - KESA Christmas Movie Night & Santa Visit:

Infants 3.30-5.30pm; Juniors 6-8pm

Mon 12th Dec - KESA Elfridges Christmas Shopping -

for children during school hours

Tue 13th Dec - Flu Immunisation (all year groups)

Tue 13th Dec - 9.30am Y2 Nativity Performance

Wed 14th Dec - KS1 Christmas Dinner

Thu  $15^{\rm th}$  Dec - KS2 Christmas Dinner

Thu 15th Dec - KESA Christmas Fair 3pm - 6pm

Fri 16th Dec - Christmas Service in Church

Fri 16th Dec - Last Day of Autumn Term: 1.30pm finish

#### Spring Term Dates 2023

Wed 4th Jan - First day back for children

Tue 10th Jan - 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents

Sun  $15^{\text{th}}$  Jan - OCC deadline for primary school applications

Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Feb - Parents' Evenings

Wed 8th Feb - Parents' Evenings

#### 13th -17th Feb - Half Term

Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Feb - Inset Day (no school for pupils) 31<sup>st</sup> Mar - Last day of Spring Term

#### Summer Term Dates 2023

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> April – First day back for children Sat 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – KESA Ball Mon 8<sup>th</sup> May – Thu 11<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 SATS week

#### 29th May - 2nd Jun - Half Term

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Jun - Y1 Phonics Screening Week Thu 15<sup>th</sup> Jun - Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Jun Year 5 Camping experience



AUTUMN TERM Week 3, 4, 5 and 6 Stars of the Week

#### Week 3 - w/e 23/09/2022

13	Lilinia B
Year 1	Harry
Year 2	The Whole Class
Year 3	Beatrix
Year 4	Odette
Year 5	Lois
Year 6	Zofia

#### Week 4 - w/e 30/09/2022

FS	Frank T	
Year 1	George	
Year 2	The Whole Clas	
Year 3	Max	
Year 4	Jacob	
Year 5	Ellis	
Year 6	Maksym	

#### Week 5 - w/e 07/10/2022

FS	Emilia F
Year 1	Thomas
Year 2	Locky
Year 3	Aaron
Year 4	Harry
Year 5	Anthony
Year 6	Danylo

#### Week 5 - w/e 07/10/2022

FS	Dylan
Year 1	Edith
Year 2	Emilia
Year 3	Sanna
Year 4	Ivan
Year 5	Isabella
Vear 6	Toss

Every Monday, we also celebrate children and staff who have shown special Kindness to others. They receive a Kindness Award.



Our winners this fortnight include:

Miss Borysenko,

Matilda R, Tess  $\mathcal{C}$ , Jacob H, Darcey B, Oscar S and Carter K

#### Around the school ....

#### In Foundation Stage/Reception

As we come to the end of our first half term, we are reflecting on how well the children have settled into school life- it is like they have always been here!!! In FS we are continuing to develop friendships in the classroom and around the school.

It has been wonderful to be introduced to our Year 5 buddies- the children have enjoyed reading together and playing too. We think the Year 5 buddies enjoy being back in the Foundation Stage classroom just as much as we enjoy having them visit! We enjoyed our first outing and the children were so well behaved. Thank you to the parents who joined us. We have had lots of discussions about what we saw and the children have been inspired to make their own colourful houses which will be coming home soon! Last week, we enjoyed a live zoom session with Maria from Scarf and her very special helper Harold. He is helping us to think about how important it is to keep our minds and bodies healthy and how we can keep ourselves safe. We were so proud of all of the children for their brilliant behaviour.

In Phonics we are continuing to enjoy the adventures with Nip and Nap and we are starting to blend letter sounds together to read words and simple sentences. Now our hands are getting stronger, we are having a go at segmenting to write some words too. Harvest Festival has inspired lots of our discussions and creations and we have loved learning the Makaton actions to one of Mrs Hinnell's favourite harvest songs 'Cauliflowers Fluffy'!

In Year 1



This week we have been very busy! The children have continued to learn new sounds in Phonics and have been practising their handwriting. They have learnt how to use a question mark and have included a

question in the letter they have written to the Three Little Pigs from the Big Bad Wolf. We have started to talk about great descriptive language in preparation for our Big Bad Wolf Wanted Poster. In Maths we have been using lots of resources to learn about addition. In our Topics the children have enjoyed thinking about their family trees, learning about the properties of different materials and exploring different types of shelters and designing our own as part of design and technology.

Finally, the children had a great day out at the Milestones Museum learning about what homes were like in the past.

In Year 2



This half of term Year 2 have had a wonderful time diving head first into our topic and learning. We had a fantastic trip to Legoland to kick start our Science topic of Animal Habitats. The children loved learning about why certain animals prefer different areas under the sea especially when they got a chance to build their own coral reefs, sharks and clown fish.



Their ultimate highlight was the submarine ride and seeing all the sharks and fish up close. We have also been learning about different historically significant people which they have been fascinated with. They took a particular liking to Marie Curie so we ended up researching her life and creating their own biographies of her. It has been wonderful watching the children flourish and settle so quickly into their new year group and I can't wait to see what the next term will bring

#### In Year 3

Year 3 enjoyed meeting Harold the giraffe (virtually) during our Coram Scarf live lessons via Zoom. They learnt about how to have a healthy body and a healthy mind and shared some useful strategies for how to relax when feeling stressed. We all enjoyed trying some of these out - including Mrs Salt!

In Maths, the children have been using their mental addition and subtraction strategies to solve a range of problems and investigations.

In Science, the children have been considering why we have a skeleton and what its functions are. They learnt the names of the different types of joints in the body and explored their range of movement. They also used our "mini model" to help learn the name of some of the bones.



#### In Year 4

Year 4 have had a few very exciting weeks learning about the Anglo-Saxons. We have put our writing skills to the test by writing a playscript reflecting the decision making that would have gone on between husband and wife in Thaneland - trying to persuade the wife to leave and live in Britain. The class have thoroughly enjoyed acting out their script using powerful persuasive vocabulary.

In Art we have been exploring colour theory and are now making our own landscape involving analogous colours and complementary colours. In Music we have mastered Peter and the Wolf and now have moved on to Saint Saens "Carnival of the Animals' whilst continuing to learn the recorder and write music.

In Maths we are consolidating our knowledge of rounding to the nearest 10s, 100s and 1000s and have used a variety of interesting methods to help us remember how to do this.

In Humanities we will are still learning about Anglo-Saxons and are now using our historical enquiry and detective skills using artefacts to find out facts about this wonderful tribe. We are also learning about North and South America and the different climate zones that exist in these two countries.

In RE we are still learning about Hinduism and now are exploring the Trimurti, remembering that Brahman is one god but in many forms. Mrs Thomas brought in some gladioli to represent Brahman and help us to remember that fact.



#### In Year 5

So far in year 5 we have done a whole lot of exciting things. We have been looking at different forces in Science, researching what life was like in the Shang Dynasty and we are continuing to read 'Bronze and Sunflower'. We have recently enjoyed planning our stories about the Shang Dynasty and are currently enjoying writing them this past week.

Our favourite lessons so far in Year 5 are Maths and English. We have enjoyed learning about addition and subtraction and have moved onto looking at different charts. We have also enjoyed practising rugby during PE and look forward to our competition next week.

#### In Year 6

Over the past few weeks, Year 6 have been preparing for Woodlands.

In Maths, Year 6 have been looking at long division. In History, the children have written some wonderful diaries about being a slave in the triangular slave trade. The children have enjoyed this topic and this thought provoking subject has explored difficult concepts and Britain's role in the Slave Trade.

In Art, the children have been looking at the features of landscapes including shade and tone and perspective. The children have enjoyed creating African landscapes.

# KESA EVENTS AUTUMN TERM

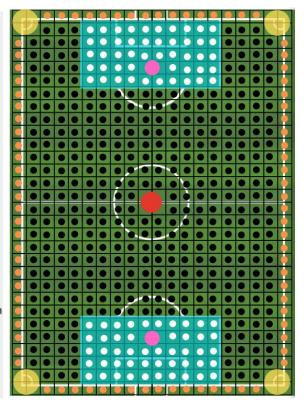
## November 2022

- Wednesday 2nd November last date for Christmas card designs to be returned to school (More info regarding Christmas cards to follow before half term.)
- Friday 25th November Own clothes day
  In exchange for a new toy donation towards the Christmas fair
- **Wednesday 30th November** Donate your pre-loved Christmas jumpers to school today.

## December 2022

- Friday 2nd December Pre-loved Christmas jumper & cake sale after school.
- Friday 9th December Christmas Movie Night & Santa visit. Infants - 3.30-5.30pm Juniors - 6-8pm
- Monday 12th December Elfridges Christmas shopping for children during school hours.
- **Thursday 15th December** Kidmore End Primary Christmas Fair 3pm-6pm with choir performances at 3.30pm and 4.30pm.

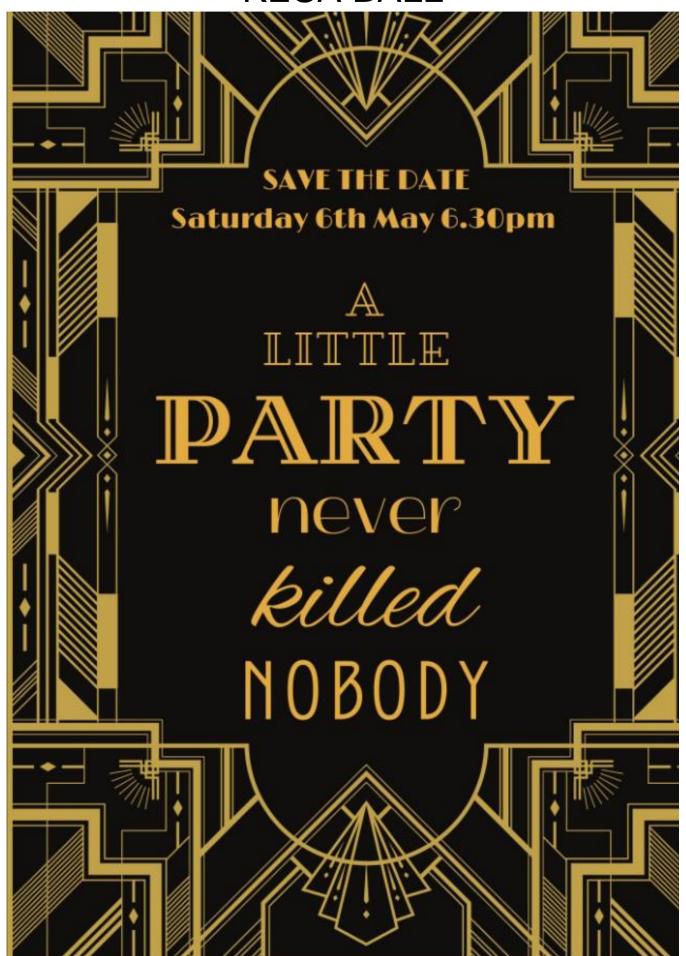
More information on all these events to follow...



## PITCH IN & SPONSOR A PATCH OF THE AWP

Please help the school by raising money to replace the surface of All Weather Pitch. We still have lots of squares available and we need your help to raise funds for the school. We welcome business sponsorship as well. Please contact KESA for more information.

KESA BALL







#### Highdown School Dates for Year 6 transition

Important Dates from Highdown School and Sixth Form Ce

Event	Year Group	Day	Date
Open Evening	Year 6	Thursday	29.09.2022
Open Morning	Year 6	Monday	03.10.2022
Open Morning	Year 6	Wednesday	05.10.2022
Highdown Transition Team - visit to the Primary Schools*	Year 6	Tuesday - Friday	Week commencing 02.05.2023
Highdown Transition Team - visit to the Primary Schools*	Year 6	Monday - Friday	Week commencing 15.05.2023
Highdown Transition Team - visit to the Primary Schools*	Year 6	Monday - Friday	Week commencing 22.05.2023
Welcome Evening	Year 6	Monday	03.07.2023
Year 5 Day for Students	Year 5	Wednesday	12.07.2023
Parent's Information Evening	Year 5	Thursday	13.07.2023

## Reading Football Club's 2nd School and Grassroots Fixtures of 2022-23!

You have been invited to Reading Football Club's 2nd School and Grassroots fixture of 2022-23!

#### When?

Reading vs Coventry City Saturday 10th December, 3pm

#### Where?

Select Car Leasing Stadium

How to qualify for the discount and confirm your attendance? Thank you for being part of our first School and Grassroots fixture of the season when we hosted Huddersfield Town on Saturday 1st October.

Over 5,000 tickets were sold for local children, parents, teachers and coaches. As our manager Paul Ince said after the match: "We won't always win games. But I hope these kids keep coming again and again and that we see them here again for the years to come!"

With that in mind, we would be delighted if you could join us for our 2nd schools and grassroots fixture of 2022-23. And as part of our special invitation, we would like to offer the below discounted prices:

12 and Under: £1 17 and Under: £3 18 to 24: £5 65 and over: £5 Adult: £10

To redeem, please visit <a href="https://ticketing.readingfc.co.uk">https://ticketing.readingfc.co.uk</a> and enter the following unique coupon code: #KidmoreEndSchool in the basket once you have logged in and selected your tickets.

#### How many tickets can we purchase?

There is no limit on the number of tickets you can buy using your unique code. And, for every ticket which is purchased you will receive one entry in a prize draw for a chance to win a series of 'money can't buy experience' prizes!

Important! This offer applies to tickets in the Eamonn Dolan Stand blocks and Y19/Y20 of the Sir John Madejski Stand. Coupon codes are valid up until 4 hours before kick-off and availability is limited, so please act quickly to avoid disappointment.

#### Reminder: Coupon Code valid for Reading FC Women's fixture

This is a reminder that you can use the same coupon code to join us for our first ever schools and grassroots fixture for Reading FC Women.

#### When?

Reading Women v Leicester City Women Sunday 30th October, 2pm

#### Where?

Select Car Leasing Stadium

Prices

12 and Under: £1 17 and Under: £2 18 to 24: £3 65 and over: £3 Adult: £5

Important! This offer applies to tickets in the blocks Y19/Y20 of the Sir John Madejski Stand only. Coupon codes are valid up until 4 hours before kick-off and availability is limited, so please act quickly to avoid disappointment.

If you have any questions about this offer, please email sales@readingfc.co.uk or call 0118 968 1313.

#### HIGHMOOR PARISH COUNCIL

#### VACANCY - CLERK/RFO (Responsible Financial Officer)

Highmoor Parish Council is advertising the above post part-time 4 hours per week.

Salary dependent upon experience (previous local government experience preferred) and pro rata using NALC salary scales 26 - 33 (£30984 pa £16.10 per hour to £33486 £17.40 per hour) plus monthly home office allowance of £26.

Local Government Pension Scheme available.

Attending Council meetings (7 per annum) commencing at 7.00 pm in the Memorial Hall, Highmoor. Five councillors. Precept £8885. Working from home (laptop provided).

Work content required includes administrative upport/monitoring and recording Council's finances full range of IT skills with excellent communication skills and tact/diplomacy. Laptop provided.

Further details and job description can be obtained from the Clerk at : clerk@highmoorparishcouncil.org.uk

Written applications with CV (giving details of experience and 2 referees) can be sent using email or postal address (see below)

Closing date 4 November 2022 Highmoor Parish Council c/o 28 Gravett Close, Henley on Thames Oxon RG9 1XW





# At Kidmore End







Dear Ladies and Gents,

RFC Academy are once again starting up our Football Development Centres with Rotherfield Utd FC this week, we invite the entire local community to join us, you do not need to be a RUFC member to attend. All are welcome to join.

Please click the link below for more information:

RFC Academy - New Football Development
Centres with RUFC - Autumn/Winter Term 22

There are plenty of options for your children to gain more football coaching in the working week.

We look forward to working with you all once again.

Yours in Sport,

Samuel Bell RFC Academy, Head of Operations www.rfcacademy.co.uk



### Singing Course

Please find below the details of our Christmas course in Oxford this year. We are also introducing a **new Bring A Friend** scheme - offering £10 discount to both families if they use the code **OxfordFriend** when booking online, in addition to the sibling discounts calculated automatically. Would it be possible to have these details shared?

Here's the key information:

Course: 21 and 22 December 2022. 9.30 - 3.30pm for those

aged 7-13 who love to sing

Repertoire: Christmas Carols and Festive Music from the

medieval to the modern

Where: St Barnabas Church, Jericho, Oxford

How: booking is via our

website <a href="https://www.oxbridgesingingschool.co.uk/courses/">https://www.oxbridgesingingschool.co.uk/courses/</a>
For those who don't know us, here is what is being said about

"My daughter used to be so shy. I can't believe that she put herself down for singing a solo in the school concert and it was fab! This is thanks to you and your wonderful team at the Oxford & Cambridge Singing School who have helped her sing out and to have confidence in her ability."

"How lucky are these young singers. They are brilliantly taught and have a lot of fun, and you will be amazed at what they achieve in just a few days - and all in the most beautiful surroundings." Bob Chilcott - composer and parent of past attendee.

"My son loved every minute of it - the teachers, the location, the music and even the music theory!"

"Thank you... Your course is the only thing my son sets his alarm for in the mornings. He loves it."

Many thanks for your help in helping to spread the word about us. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Samantha Wickham and the Oxford & Cambridge Singing School team  $\underline{www.oxbridgesingingschool.com}$