



# Kidmore End CE Primary School

## Super News Kidmore End!

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

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## A super start to the new school year!

Kidmore End School has had a fabulous start to the new year. It has been so lovely to see the children enjoying their learning, playing together, experiencing new topics and participating in a range of clubs.

The school has returned to assemblies and it is so lovely to hear the children singing in the hall. We have also welcomed back Reverend James Stickings from the church who has been leading collective worship every Friday morning.

One of the best things since the start of term has been the sense of calmness and purposefulness. There is a real sense of community and friendship on the playground, dinner hall and throughout the school. The relaxation of the Covid rules has allowed the children, staff and parents to enjoy more freedoms and the benefits of a small and happy village school. There are many clubs running for the children including Rugby, Basketball, Hockey, Gardening, Running, Chess and the Choir who will be using the Church to practise every week.

This term we have been revisiting the school values and British Values including democracy and mutual respect. Pupil Voice is extremely important to me.

Our School Council representatives have now been chosen and they will be meeting with me to improve the school. Congratulations to the following children:

### School Council Representatives 2021-2022

Year 2	Jessica	Ben
Year 3	Orla	Joshua
Year 4	Carter	Isabella
Year 5	Evie	Oz
Year 6	Austin	Harry



Our School Council

## Expectation Meetings

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the meetings last week and this week. The presentations for each class can be found on the class pages and Mr Griffin's video presentation is available on our website in the vision and values section or following the link below:

<https://moodle.kidmore-end.co.uk/mod/page/view.php?id=372>

## Dates for the diary

### 1<sup>st</sup> Half term Autumn 2021-2022

Tues 21st Sept, 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents (Tuesday 21st Sept Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge Open Morning)  
 Tuesday 21st Sept - Y1 Walk around Kidmore End  
 Friday 24th Sept - KESA Big Bash (No Clubs in the afternoon)  
 (Tuesday 28th Sept - Gillotts School Open Morning)  
 Wed 29th Sept, 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
 Monday 4th Oct - Active Leaders with Y6 this week  
 (Monday 4th Oct - Langtree School Open Morning)  
 Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct - Non-Uniform day (KESA Fundraising)  
 (Wednesday 6th Oct - Langtree School Open Morning)  
 Thursday 7th Oct - FS, Y1 & Y2 Henley Literary Festival Trip  
 Friday 8th Oct, 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
 Monday 11th Oct - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
 Monday 18th Oct - Active Leaders with Y5 this week  
 Monday 18th Oct - Parents' Evening (TBC)  
 Tues 19th Oct, 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
 Tuesday 19th Oct - Parents' Evening (TBC)  
 Wednesday 20th Oct - NO CLUBS  
 Thursday 21st Oct - KESA Bag2School Collection  
 Thursday 21st Oct - Y3, Y4 and Y5 trips - details to follow  
 Friday 22nd Oct - KESA children's discos (TBC)  
 25th - 29th Oct - Half term week

## Dates for the diary

### 2nd Half term Autumn 2021-2022

Sunday 31st Oct- Y6 parents -Deadline for secondary applications

#### Monday 1st November - Back to School

Thurs 4th Nov - 1.30pm Open Afternoon for prospective parents

Monday 8th Nov - Friday 12th November - Y6 to Woodlands

Thurs 11th Nov, 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents

Wed 17th Nov 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents

Wed 24th Nov 1.30pm - Open Afternoon for prospective parents

Sat 4th Dec KESA/St John the Baptist Church Christmas Fair

Sunday 12th Dec - Christingle Service at St John the Baptist.

Thursday 9th Dec - FS/Y1 Nativity

Friday 10th Dec - FS/Y1 Nativity

Monday 13th Dec - Y2 Nativity

Tuesday 14th Dec - Y2 Nativity

Friday 17th Dec - Christmas Service in Church

Friday 17th Dec - End of term 1.30pm

Tuesday 4th January 2022 - INSET day (no school for pupils)

Wednesday 5th January - First day of term

## Back to School Bash Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Sept

Please join Kidmore End CE Primary School and KESA for an afternoon of fun at our **Back-To-School-Bash** on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September**. This family event includes open classrooms, choir performance, bouncy castles, food from The Bowler, bar, raffle, next school project vote, ice creams, music, and more!



## Second Hand Uniform Sale

On the afternoon of 24th September, our second hand uniform stock will be available to browse and purchase from 3pm to 4.15pm. We request a suggested donation of 50p per item in cash on the day, or retrospectively via ParentMail PMX.

## Parking & Road Safety

Parents and carers are reminded not to park on the yellow zigzag lines, as they are there to provide safe pedestrian access to the school. The area by the large gates is not to be used for turning vehicles under any circumstances at the beginning and end of the day. Please do not park in front of the mirror opposite the well.

Parents have also contacted me about speeding through the village so please ensure we all park sensibly and be mindful of the fact that our children use the roads around the school for cycling and walking.

Please also help the school and our community by not blocking access to our neighbours' driveways or the School Bus.

## COVID19

Thank you for your support regarding COVID19 at the start of this term. The school remains vigilant and we are continuing with the following measures to ensure the children are safe:

- Good hygiene routines
- Ventilation in our classrooms
- Additional cleaning throughout the day
- Ask visitors and parents to wear masks when indoors for events

More guidance for parents and carers can be found on the following link:

[https://moodle.kidmore-end.co.uk/pluginfile.php/2788/mod\\_resource/content/1/2021.08.26\\_Return%20to%20Education\\_Primary%20School%20Leaflet\\_A5.pdf](https://moodle.kidmore-end.co.uk/pluginfile.php/2788/mod_resource/content/1/2021.08.26_Return%20to%20Education_Primary%20School%20Leaflet_A5.pdf)

## Reminders for Parents

\*Please remember to keep liking and sharing our posts on **Facebook, Instagram and Twitter**.

\*Please note that dogs are not permitted on the school site apart from the School Dog.

\* Mr Hartley from Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge will be visiting the school to speak to the children and parents on Monday 20th September from 2.30 to 3.15pm. He will be talking to the Year 6 children at 2.30pm and speaking to the Year 5 and 6 parents in the hall from 2.55pm. Please report to the school office from 2.50pm. Please could you email the school office if you are planning to attend.

## Open Mornings

We ask that all parents and carers raise the profile of the school by sharing the details of our Open Morning and Afternoons with our prospective parents.



Dates for Open Mornings and Open Afternoons - Autumn 2021	
Date	Time
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2021	9.30am -11.00am
<b>October Half-Term Break</b>	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	1.30pm-3.00pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	1.30pm-3.00pm

Well done to the following children who received a Star of the Week Certificate in assembly this fortnight. We are very proud of all our winners!

### Week 1

FS - Thomas and the Whole Class!

Year 1- Sophie and Leo

Year 2 - Scarlet and Barnaby

Year 3 - Darcey and Chloe

Year 4 - Sylvie and Farouk

Year 5 - Oscar and Amelie

Year 6 - Isabelle and Harri

## Cross Country Event

SATURDAY 25<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021.

GREYS COURT NATIONAL TRUST HOUSE nr HENLEY RG9 4PG.

If your child is interested in running for the school at this event, please let Mr Griffin know. Children should wear their Kidmore End PE shirt. Year 1 @09.00, Year 2 @09.20, Year 3 @09.40 Year 4 @10.00, Year 5 @10.20, Year 6 @10.40. Please stagger your arrivals.

Car parking will be just inside the main gate in the overspill carpark on the right and then walk along the main drive to the cross-country course. Teas and coffees available. No Dogs allowed.

## Community Event....

**2021 HENLEY 1/2 MARATHON**  
and  
**Henley Standard 10km**  
**Sunday 10th October**  
Both events start at 9.30am from  
Henley Rugby Club, Marlow Road, RG9 2JA

Through Henley town centre, \*River Thames towpath, Chiltern beech woods, and up the notorious Fawley Hill! A course so beautiful you'll wish it was longer!  
Both events finish at the Rugby Club

For entry form & information - [www.henleyhalfmarathon.org](http://www.henleyhalfmarathon.org)

Organised by: **Rotary Clubs of Henley** Main Sponsor of Half Marathon: **Invesco**

## Around the school....

### In Foundation Stage/Reception

In Foundation, we have been busy getting to know each other and we are enjoying playing games to help us learn new names. We have been exploring the indoor and outdoor classrooms and we are enjoying the toys and resources.

We have read 'The Rainbow Fish' and talked about how important our feelings are. We have loved creating our own Rainbow Fish and we have been busy doing lots of other mark making too. Other highlights have been dough disco, wiggle and squiggle and singing in assembly! Well done to Foundation, they are settling into our school family beautifully!

### In Year 1

We started this week by bringing in our blue balloons! We read The Blue Balloon and wrote about where our balloon would take us. We have been learning new sounds in phonics and practising our handwriting. We have been learning how to count objects. We finished our Time Capsule.

We will open it at the end of the year and see how much we have grown. We have learnt different rolls in gymnastics.

We started our new topic on Houses and Homes, using Google Earth to find where we live and have learnt about the different types of homes people live in. We are looking forward to our walk around Kidmore End next Tuesday!

## **In Year 2**

Year 2 are really enjoying being back at school with their friends and mixing with all the children in the playground. They have settled well into the class and different routines. The children are enjoying taking part in whole school activities like assemblies and singing.

In the classroom they are showing an enthusiasm for their learning especially in our topic work on Kidmore End and the Science work on Materials. The highlights of this week have been going on the large apparatus and starting clubs. Great start year 2.

## **In Year 3**

I learnt about the Stone Age. We were archaeologists and dug in the sand. (Minty)  
I loved looking at different things from the past. We had to brush them gently to see what they were. I learnt that Stone Age people killed animals to make their clothes and tents. (Thea)

We read a story called Stone Age Boy. We drew a story map to remind us of the story. (Mollie)  
I really liked learning greetings in French. (Darcey B)  
I liked going on the computers for the first time. (Inas)  
In science, we are learning about light and dark. I like science because you can explore things, test things and learn new things. (Mia)

## **In Year 4**

During this last fortnight Year 4 have settled into class and have been working very hard practising their times tables, revisiting and learning more about Place Value. In English, we have been exploring Theseus and the Minotaur, creating story maps, slow writes developing their descriptive writing and also making use of the beautiful surroundings and amphitheatre to act out the Greek myth. We have thoroughly enjoyed doing this (see photo).



We have also been busy making Greek Theatrical Masks, to also use when we act out more myths in the near future.

The most exciting part of this week has been the visit to the swimming pool and seeing Mrs Thomas in the pool teaching us swimming!

## **In Year 5**

Year 5 have enjoyed being back in school and seeing familiar faces once again. They have enjoyed researching about who the Victorians were, facts about Queen Victoria as well as being introduced to the story of Jim Jarvis in Street Child by Berlie Doherty.

Moreover, children have enjoyed learning about how Sikhs pray and worship, and have been exploring different forces in science. Finally, children have enjoyed being out in the sun and participating in tag rugby and athletics.

## **In Year 6**

Year 6 have settled quickly into being the oldest in the school and are keen to demonstrate what good role models they can be. They have started working on our geography topic on rivers and mountains in preparation for our trip to Woodlands in November.

They are all very much enjoying artwork on impressionists learning how to use watercolours effectively. In history, we have discovered how the Mayas built their temples.