



# Kidmore End CE Primary School

## Super News Kidmore End!



Friday 15th October 2021

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## Kidmore End celebrates Harvest in the Church

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the wonderful Harvest Service Assembly last Friday.

I am very proud of all the children for their wonderful singing and their impeccable behaviour.



The Year 6 children read beautifully and the choir were at their best with the wonderful rendition of Harvest Samba!

Well done Isabella Jones and Carter Kerman who talked to the children and parents about our Harvest Charity - WaterAid.

Thank you for your kind donations. The school raised £210.00 for WaterAid.

### IMPORTANT MESSAGE:

#### Student update form

Your (eldest) child should bring home a student update form(s) today. Please take the time to check the details we hold carefully and make corrections on the form before signing it and returning it to the office (via your child's teacher is fine).

If we only have parents under the contacts section, please provide the details of one other person we could contact in an emergency, who could collect your child in your absence. Please sign and return the form to us even if all the details are correct.

### IMPORTANT MESSAGE:

#### Changes to the School Term Dates

The Governing Body and ODST have agreed to a change to the Inset Days for this year.

The next Inset Dates will be:

- ❖ Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021
- ❖ Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

The next and final Inset Day for this academic year will be: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

There will be no Inset Day in April 2022.

#### Parents' Evenings (Mon 18<sup>th</sup> & Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Oct)

Hopefully you have confirmed your meeting time for Monday or Tuesday next week.

A few reminders:

- Please wear a face mask when meeting the teachers and indoors
- Children should not attend the meetings
- Children's Exercise Books will be on display either outside the classroom or at the back of the classroom.
- Please be prompt and stick to the 10 minutes appointment
- If you have asked to see Mr Griffin (SENCO) regarding special needs, you should now have received your time.

#### COVID precautions

There are a number of families and a couple of children who have now tested positive for COVID.

We ask that you remain vigilant and if you have concerns about whether you should be sending your child to school if they are unwell or someone in the household has tested positive, then please contact the school. Lateral Flow Tests have recently been proven to be 90% effective and we ask that you support the school by testing frequently at home.

## Dates for the Diary

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

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Oct - Active Leaders with Y5  
Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Oct - Parents' Evening - short evening  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Oct, 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Oct - Parents' Evening - long evening  
Weds 20<sup>th</sup> Oct - NO CLUBS  
Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Oct - KESA Bag2School Collection  
Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Oct - Y3, Y4 and Y5 trips  
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct - Running Club  
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct - NO CHESS CLUB  
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct - KESA children's discos  
25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> Oct - Half term week

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Half term Autumn 2021-2022

**Sun 31st Oct Y6 parents Deadline for secondary applications**

**Mon 1st Nov - Inset Day 4**

**Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov - Inset Day 5**

**Weds 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov - Back to school**

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Nov - 1.30pm Open Afternoon for prospective parents  
Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Nov - Cross Country at MECE School  
Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Nov - Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Nov - Y6 to Woodlands  
Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Nov, 9.30am - Open Morning for prospective parents  
Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 9.30am - Open Morning for prospective parents  
Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.30pm - Open Afternoon for prospective parents  
Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.30pm - Open Afternoon for prospective parents  
Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Dec - Cross Country at MECE School  
Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Dec KESA/St John the Baptist Church Christmas Fair  
Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - FS/Y1 Nativity  
Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Dec - FS/Y1 Nativity  
Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christingle Service at St John the Baptist  
Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Dec - Y2 Nativity  
Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Dec - Y2 Nativity  
Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas Service in Church  
Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec - End of term 1.30pm

**Tuesday 4th January 2022 Inset day 6 (no school for pupils)**

Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Jan - First day of term

## Super Mathematicians in Year 5

Last week, four children accompanied by Mr Griffin participated in a maths competition at The Oratory School. The questions were extremely difficult and involved team work, mathematical reasoning, calculation strategies and estimating. Battling against 8 other schools, the children did extremely well working together and achieved 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall in the competition.

Well done to Naomi, Levi, Marlana and Jacob.



## 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 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	9.30am -11.00am
<b>October Half-Term Break</b>	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	1.30pm-3.00pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	1.30pm-3.00pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	1.30pm-3.00pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	1.30pm-3.00pm

## Cross Country Event

### Congratulations to our Runners

Well done to our wonderful Cross Country Runners who participated in running on a very damp autumnal day at Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct.

A special well done to the following children:  
In Year 3, Ambrose who came third in his age group.  
In Year 4, Carter who came first and William who came second in their age group. The year 4 team which included the two boys and Jacob also came first in the team competition. Here is a photo of the boys receiving their certificates in school with Dr Tom Crossland (who ran 75 marathons in 85 days)



If your child is interested in running for the school at future events please see the details below. There are still places in the running club; please see Mr Griffin or contact the office if your child would like to join in.

Next events:

Saturdays 6<sup>th</sup> November and 4<sup>th</sup> December.

Race times -

Year 1 - 10.00, Y2 - 10.20,

Y3 - 10.40, Y4 - 11.00,

Y5 - 11.15 and Year 6 at 11.30.

Venue: Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge School, Sonning Common.



## KESA Disco- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

The next collection is booked for Thursday 21st October. Please bring filled bags into the playground next Thursday morning (collection is between 9am and 1pm). If it is raining please leave bags under the shelter outside the year 3 & 4 classrooms. Black bin bags can be used as additional bags. For guidance on what is accepted please see the parent mail from 17th September.

### Match Funding to support KESA & the school

Can you help us access fundraising from your employer with  
**MATCH FUNDING**  
schemes?



Does your employer offer any matched fundraising schemes?

Hundreds of organisations in the UK like Microsoft, Vodafone, Thames Water and Sky will boost fundraising when their employees volunteer for charities like Kidmore End School Association.

If you're not sure if your employer offers a match funding scheme please contact your HR department. If your company does offer it, please get in touch with us to see if we can work together to unlock that extra fundraising potential. Our email is [kesa@kidmore-end.co.uk](mailto:kesa@kidmore-end.co.uk) or speak to Vicky Jones, Amy Collier or Lucy Shah.

### CHRISTMAS FAIR 2021

Planning is well under way for the exciting return of the Christmas Fair this year. The big date for your diary is Saturday 4th December! The Christmas fair and outside Christmas market will be held between 12 and 3pm. Please look out for an update on parent mail next week with 'need to know' information.



KESA are really looking forward to hosting the school disco again!

Infants disco is held between 5.45pm and 6.45pm  
Juniors disco is held between 7pm and 8pm.

Tickets cost £3.50 and are available to purchase now. The KESA reps will be in the playground selling tickets (cash and card accepted) on Monday, Wednesday and Friday after school and Thursday before school. Tickets can also be purchased at the entrance to the disco.

Lots of treats including glow sticks, tattoos and sweeties will be available for children to purchase. These cost between 50p and £1. Children are encouraged to bring their own water bottles to re-fill.

To ensure that the school can accommodate this wonderful event for the children, we have put in place the following COVID control measures and we ask that parents comply with these measures:

- The doors to the hall will be open to give good ventilation. Mr Griffin will be supervising the children and standing on the door.
- To limit numbers inside we ask that only one member of the household collects your child(ren) and that parents wait outside rather than in the corridor at collection, until invited in.
- Parents should wear face masks inside.
- KESA disco volunteers will all take a lateral flow test on the day and show Mr Griffin their result prior to the event.
- Hand sanitiser will be available to children and parents.





#### Week 4

FS - Griffin and Jude  
Year 1- Jacob and Oliver  
Year 2 - Evie and Albie  
Year 3 - Lucy and Imogen  
Year 4 - William and Anthony  
Year 5 - Marlana and Joshua  
Year 6 - Harry J and Zosia

#### Week 5

FS - Jamie and Maisie  
Year 1- Teddy and Billy  
Year 2 - Joshua and Dihein  
Year 3 - Minty and Jamie  
Year 4 - Clem and Ava  
Year 5 - Oz and Evie  
Year 6 - Jakub and Eve

#### Around the school....

##### In Foundation Stage/Reception

We have had a busy few weeks in Foundation. We are having a wonderful time investigating, discovering and using our imaginations as we explore the new resources. Our favourites being the magnetic water wall and the mud kitchen! A huge thank you to all involved in bringing our outside area to life. We look forward to welcoming children from other year groups to share our explorations and learning adventures.



We enjoyed our visit to Henley Literary Festival which involved listening to some lovely stories but also some singing, dancing and drawing too! We have been creative this week at the making station, creating habitats for our elephants and the children have designed and created their own patterns based on Elmer ready to add to our crowns for our carnival parade in class next week.



##### In Year 1

This week we have loved making and painting our three little pig houses! The children have been really creative - we have had drains, boilers and solar panels as great additional features! We have also really enjoyed PE, using the big equipment in the hall for the first time this year.



In English we have been learning about adjectives to describe the wolf in the three little pigs. The children have also been writing a letter from the wolf to the three little pigs which has included a question and a question mark. In maths we have been learning about the < and > symbols. This week we introduced our Year 1 library, the children are enjoying choosing a new book to take home. It is fantastic to see them enjoying their reading.

##### In Year 2

Year 2 have had some interesting events in the past two weeks. We enjoyed going to Christ church in Henley for the 'Henley Literary festival' and were pleased with the signed books we brought back. We had great fun being taught some new games by Year 6 's 'Active Leaders' and are looking forward to being taught by Year 5's 'Active leaders' this Friday.

We have had fun in science finding out which material is the most waterproof, we used flower pots covered with different materials, we poured water in and timed how long it took the water to come through. Foil and plastic were the most waterproof materials we used. We all enjoyed meeting Reverend James in the church on Thursday and learnt a lot about Kidmore End church and what it is like to be a church leader.

### In Year 3

Year 3 have been using everything they know about life in the Stone Age to write an adventure story based on life in prehistoric times. They have worked hard to include some fantastic expanded noun phrases to add detailed description. In science, they learnt some new vocabulary: transparent, translucent and opaque and carried out an investigation to test materials to test for transparency. In maths they have developed their mental calculation strategies and used these to solve problems.

"I get excited when we do maths because it gets my brain going." (Imogen)

"I enjoyed doing art because we learnt about the colour wheel and how to mix primary colours together to make other colours called secondary colours" (Barnaby)



### In Year 4

Ben: "I've really enjoyed French, especially the games!"

"I've really enjoyed mask making."

"I've really enjoyed writing about the Battle of Marathon."

"I love being in year 4!"

Anthony: "I really enjoyed making comedy masks and looking forward to enacting out the Battle of Marathon"

Leo: "I'm really enjoying our topic on Ancient Greece."

Sophie: "I have enjoyed learning about muscles in Science."

Vasisht: "I've really enjoyed learning our times tables and am looking forward to our times tables test at the end of the week!"

William: "In Maths we are learning about rounding to the nearest 1000."

Grace: "I like doing the Guided Reading activities."

Clem: "I really enjoy Maths because I love it!"

Audrey: "I'm enjoying Mrs Thomas reading our book 'Here Comes Hercules' to us."

Isabella: "I'm really enjoying running around with my friends in the playground and those in different years!"

Sylvie: "I've enjoyed doing Tag Rugby."

### In Year 5

Year 5 have recently enjoyed participating in the Junior Active Leaders programme. The children have learnt all about what makes a good leader and the importance of communication. Having participated in a range of mini games and identified the key skills required to run some games, the children are now very much looking forward to organising their own mini games for the younger years. The children are very excited about the first aid course they will be completing next week as well as sharpening up their own games!

### In Year 6

Year 6 newsletter entry - Austin, Eleni

In the past two weeks we have enjoyed doing lots of things such as; Active Leaders, BODMAS, Mayas in history, science and mountain fact files.

In Active Leaders we had a refresher course which was led by Amanda. We played games and learnt about first aid. We also made up some games and led the Year 1 and 2 children in them. At lunchtimes groups of active leaders are going out on to the playground and running games for the rest of the school. When we learnt about first aid we worked in groups and learnt how to put people into the recovery position and how to do CPR.

When we learnt about BODMAS we found out what the letters stand for different words and the order to work out the calculations in. Here is what they stand for:

B - brackets O - order or indices D - divide

M - multiply A - addition S - subtraction

The Maya have been one of our favourite subjects over the last two weeks. This week we have really enjoyed doing the codex/fact file.



# KIDMORE END CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

St. John the Baptist & Christ the King Church present the 2021

# Christmas Fair

Saturday  
4th  
December  
12 - 3 PM

£2.50 ENTRY.  
FREE FOR  
UNDER 12'S

Meet Santa . Raffle . Outdoor Christmas Market . Tombolas  
Crafts . Festive Entertainment . Mulled Wine & Mince Pies  
The Bowler Meatballs' Festive Menu . Elfridges Shop  
Cakes . Fun & Games For All The Family!

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Dear All,

We have exciting news! Our Free Half Term Family Activities linked to our NEW Mechanicals Exhibition!

Moving Mechanical Makes! Check out our Website... [Children's activities at The Oxfordshire Museum | Oxfordshire County Council](#)

Tuesday 26th October: Push and Pull (2-4pm)

- Join us to make a moving picture based off the new mechanical exhibition

Get your family ticket today! (Up to 3 Children). All children must be accompanied by an adult.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/176207339897>

Wednesday 27th October: Kool Kaleidoscopes (11-3pm)

- Use inspiration from the mechanicals exhibition to create the coolest of Kaleidoscopes!

Get your family ticket today! (Up to 3 Children). All children must be accompanied by an adult.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/176236858187>

Thursday 28th October: Mini Mechanics (2-4pm)

- Watch your creations balance and fly with inspiration from the great outdoors and our new mechanicals exhibition. Get your family ticket today! (Up to 3 Children). All children must be accompanied by an adult.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/176274260057>

We also have a new Mechanical Trail for you to enjoy. Why not come to the Oxfordshire Museum this Half Term!

WADRA 

## Halloween Costume Parade

Mapledurham Playing Fields Pavilion  
Sunday 31 October 2021   
2pm - 4pm



**Fancy Dress Competition Categories**

- Under 5's
- Under 10's
- Under 16's
- 16 and over
- Pet and Human (of any age)

Judging will begin at 2:15 and judges decisions are final. Prizes in each class for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Special Awards for Most Scary, Most Beautiful, Most Creative and Best Overall.

For more information and register for a class please go to:  
<https://wadra.org/halloween-fancy-dress-registration/>  
You can also register on the day.

Our Sponsors - Kim's Cupcakes, Art Jam Studio, Fourbears Books, Terry's  
If you would like to sponsor a prize or volunteer to help on the day please contact WADRA at [info@wadra.org](mailto:info@wadra.org)

 We will be practicing social distancing and hope to have the event mostly outside. If you feel unwell, please do not attend. If, due to weather, the event is held inside, please consider wearing a mask if inside the Pavilion.