



Weekly newsletter

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Executive Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

It has been another incredibly exciting and busy week here at Kings Nympton, with lots of wonderful learning opportunities taking place across the school.

Continuing our Forest School programme, Mrs Blacker has once again planned a range of exciting activities for the children to enjoy. The sessions have been full of exploration, teamwork and creativity, and it has been especially lovely to see our new children joining in so confidently and enthusiastically. Forest School continues to be a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop independence, resilience and a love of the outdoors.

We are also very excited to welcome the Williamson family to Kings Nympton, including Frankie, Iris, Eva and Albie. As always, our children and staff have made them feel incredibly welcome, and it has been lovely to see new friendships already beginning to form.

Both classes thoroughly enjoyed welcoming Tiverton Museum into school this week. Class 2 learned all about life in the Stone Age and Iron Age through a range of engaging, hands-on activities. The children explored Anglo-Saxon burials and had the opportunity to try weaving, cloth-making and cord-making for themselves. The workshop brought history to life and sparked lots of curiosity and thoughtful discussion. As always, our children were highly engaged, enthusiastic and eager to learn throughout the day.

Class 1 also greatly enjoyed their workshop on toys, where they explored toys from the past and compared them to the toys children play with today. The children loved the hands-on experience and asked some fantastic questions throughout the session.

In Nursery, the children have been experimenting with their printing skills this week and have produced some wonderful and colourful creations. It has been lovely to see their confidence and creativity growing as they explore different techniques and materials.

Finally, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Tammie Tweedie after half term. Mrs Tweedie has been a valued and much-loved member of the Pre-School team for over 10 years. During her time at Kings Nympton, she has supported and cared for many children and families within our community. We would like to thank her for all of her hard work and dedication over the years, and we wish her every success and happiness in her new endeavours.

We are pleased to share that Mrs Carli Williams, a familiar and friendly face to many of our families, will be taking over Mrs Tweedie's role alongside Mrs Stapley, Mrs Slade and Mrs De Brito Sousa. We know she will be a wonderful addition to the team.

As always, thank you for your continued support — it is greatly appreciated and plays such an important part in making our school community so special.

Kind regards,
Mrs V Fenemore

Diary dates

Upcoming week

Week beginning: 18.05.26

Weekly deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lunch deadline – midnight the day before• All sorts – 8.30am the same day• Early birds – 3pm the day before• Gate opens 08.45-08.55 each day. <p>Email admin@kingsnypton.devon.sch.uk to make changes.</p>
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gardening club 3.30pm-5pm
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 1 & 2 PE Kit
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mrs Stapley on site• Class 1 at Winkleigh – Infant Music Festival – Summer Themed Outfits• Class 2 PE Kit
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mrs Stapley on site• Pre-school Summer Stay and Play• Class 1 PE Kit
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 1 Bickleigh Railway Centre Trip

Diary dates

This half term

These dates are provisional and subject to change. Details will follow.

Summer 2

Wb 01.06.26	01.06.26 Staff training day – School closed to pupils 02.06.26 – Return to school / Writing Hook Day 04.05.26/05.06.26 Year 4 – Bristol Residential 05.06.26 Class 1 Forest school
Wb 08.06.26	11.06.26/12.06.26 Year 3 – Camping Residential
Wb 15.06.26	16.06.26 Father's Day Breakfast 16.06.26 Year 5 Chulmleigh College Taster Day 19.06.26 Class 2 Forest school
Wb 22.06.26	22.06.26 Sports Afternoon (Please note change of date) 26.06.26 Class 2 Forest school
Wb 29.06.26	03.07.26 Class 2 Forest school
Wb 06.07.26	07.07.26 Toddlers 09.07.26 Pre-school/Class 1/Class 2 Forest school 10.07.26 Colour run at Winkleigh



Stay & Play



Summer crafts stay & play

Kings Nympton – Thursday 21st May

Winkleigh – Friday 15th May
9.15-10.30am

Come and join us to explore our settings
and enjoy summer crafts with your child.

£2 per family



Class news

Pre-school – Mrs Stapley

Dear Families,

This week, we have been enjoying the story 'The Train Ride' by June Crebbin. The children followed the journey of a train travelling through the countryside, spotting different animals and landscapes along the way.

We used the story to encourage listening skills, prediction, and discussion about what we might see on a journey.

On Monday we practised our cutting and chopping skills and made our own fruit kebabs to share at snack time!

This week we focused on:

Language development through storytelling

Understanding the world (transport and journeys)

Personal, social & emotional development through turn-taking when building our own train tracks.

Fine motor skills through creative activities such as cutting out passengers for our own train.



Home Learning Ideas:

Go on a short journey and talk about what you see along the way.

Read train or travel-themed books together.

Build a train using blocks or recycled materials.

Draw or talk about a journey you have been on.

Below is a song we have been singing in class.



Have a wonderful weekend.

The Preschool Team

Down at the Station (Sing to the tune of 'Alouette'.)

Down at the station, early in the morning,

See the little puffer trains, all in a row.

Here comes the driver to start up the engine,

Puff, puff! Peep, peep! Off we go!

Puff, puff! Peep, peep! Off we go!

Puff, puff! Peep, peep! Off we go!



Class news

Class 1 – Mrs Betts

A great week in Class 1, the children were delighted to meet our newest member of the team, Eva, to our class. It's great to have new friends join us!

KS1 have begun their new maths unit on fractions. So far we have learnt about parts and wholes (distinguishing between part wholes and the whole), equal and unequal and can recognise and find a quarter $\frac{1}{4}$ and a half $\frac{1}{2}$. Reception have been learning about the composition of 20, and creating towers of 20. They have also been learning about odd and even and making groups of 2 (pairs).

We have finished our writing based on the Naughty Bus. We used our naughty vehicles from last week. We created golden tickets, sequenced the vehicles journey and had the passengers build a trap to stop them from causing more mayhem.

We had a super visit from Tiverton Museum on Wednesday learning about Toys from the past. The children had opportunities to play with some old toys and learn about how they been innovated and changed throughout the years. They also made and named their own peg dolls.

In other subjects, the children have been designing and constructing their roly-poly toys, learning songs for their KS1 music festival, performing simple tests to find the properties of materials i.e. absorbent and non-absorbent, opaque or transparent and are beginning to understand what Muslims believe in and why.

We are very excited about forest school, so please look at for Facebook to find out about the children's adventures.



Have a great weekend



Class news

Class 2 – Mrs Miali

As always we have been busy with lots of new experiences this week and we have had the added excitement of welcoming two new children into the class.

Taking inspiration from our English text the children have been writing their own 'how to' instructions. Each day they have looked at improving them, to make each instruction more clear and concise, so that they are easy to follow. They saw a clear improvement, in their paper aeroplane instruction challenge, with the use of imperative verbs and informative adverbs and adjectives.

The children's clay tiles, in art, are looking very authentic of the Stone Age now that they have been painted. They have kept the colour pallet very plain, representing the colours they've seen used in primitive cave art.

On Wednesday afternoon, we had a visit from the Tiverton Museum. This interactive afternoon supported our prior and present learning in history. The class had the opportunity to explore artefacts (some replicas and some authentic) from the prehistory era and Anglo-Saxon times. They were also able to hone their weaving skills, making bracelets and dressing up in traditional clothes.

Next week we will be using their experiences, from both the Honey Farm school trip and Tiverton museum visit, to write their final pieces for this English sequence.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Miali



Pre sale tickets £10/ £15 with food available to purchase through parish hall website or £15 on the night

★ RACE NIGHT ★



**SATURDAY 27TH
JUNE**

KINGS NYMPTON PARISH HALL

**DOORS OPEN 6PM
FOR BBQ + BAR
1ST RACE 7.30PM**

**FULLY LICENSED BAR
BBQ
BEST DRESSED PRIZES**

**9 races
(BETS CASH ONLY)
Own a horse**