

A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot really believe that this is the last newsletter of the autumn term! What a packed term it has been. Class 2 visited the Eden project and had a skateboarding afternoon, Class 1 visited Northam Burrows and Class 1 joined with Preschool for their circus skills workshops. We have had family breakfast, open morning, craft sessions, pantomime, stay and play sessions, Santa run and so many other wonderful activities.

We are so delighted that all our new children have fitted so well into our school, and that everyone has made them feel so welcome. Kings Nympton really is a special place. This term we have welcomed five new children which is brilliant and now have nine children registered in Preschool.

It was lovely to see the snow this week, the village and surrounding areas really did look beautiful. Mr Saltearn took some lovely photos. Whilst this meant some of our plans had to change at the last minute, everything still went ahead. Unfortunately, I could not make the Carol Service and Nativity, but from the comments I have received it truly was magical. Thank you to all those who came and supported it, thank you also to our wonderful staff team who put so much effort into making it the polished performance that it was.

Our Federation 'Most Festive Christmas Classroom' votes were all in this week and a huge congratulations to Class 1 who came joint first with Year 1 at Winkleigh! Both classrooms looked amazing and a lot of effort had gone into making them feel really festive. Well done everyone!

The naughty elf has been very mischievous over the last couple of weeks, but I was delighted to see he had made Class 1 some lovely reindeer biscuits on Thursday, I know they were very much enjoyed by the children. Thank you to Mrs Blacker who put so much effort into the elf's mischievous activities.

Thank you to the Friends of Kings Nympton who work so hard fundraising for our children. The disco was very much enjoyed as was the Christmas Bingo, we really do appreciate all the hard work that goes into arranging these activities and thank parents for supporting them.

We have also run a number of successful fundraising activities in school, in particular the Christmas Fayre afternoon which raised an impressive £166! Thank you to staff for all their efforts and parents for your contributions. All money raised goes towards subsidising trips for the children.

Lastly thank you to all our wonderful staff; Tammie, Mrs Stapley, Mrs Godly, Mrs Blacker, Mr Saltearn, Mrs Slade and Mrs Miali who all do such a wonderful job in supporting children's learning, running clubs and organising trips. It is very much appreciated.

Staff would like to thank parents for the lovely cards and gifts they received, it is very kind of you and much appreciated.

Have a truly wonderful Christmas and New Year and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Wednesday 4th January.



Mrs V Fenemore

DIARY DATES

W/C 2ND JANUARY



Daily	0800 deadline for booking school meals on the Gateway 0800-0900 Before School Club
Monday 2nd January	BANK HOLIDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 3rd January	NON-PUPIL DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED
Wednesday 4th January	First day of Term—Welcome Back! Class 2 wear PE kit
Thursday 5th January	
Friday 6th January	Class 1 wear PE kit

Reminder: Before School Club bookings must be made one week in advance via the Dinners Section of the Gateway

Emails sent this week: School Update. Christmas Lunch. Booking School Meals for Spring. NO After School Sports Club Today. Book Club.

THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



Class 1

We have all had a very busy last week of term. We have had a Christmas Craft Fair, performed our School Nativity, had a visit from one of Santa's elves and even managed to get our Christmas dinner. Although we have been unable to use the playground (due to the weather) all the children have had great fun and really proved what adaptable children they are. As well as all these activities, we have also been completing our half term units of work.

Reception have been discussing and recording the things they and their family do on Christmas day (including eating a burger for Christmas tea!). In Maths activities, they have been learning about night and day, the days of the week and looking at our advent calendar for counting forwards and backwards.

In English, Year 1 and 2 have been writing descriptively about a character from The Jolly Christmas Postman, writing letters and have completed the unit by writing a letter to Father Christmas. In Maths lessons, Year 1 have been continuing to work with the numbers from eleven to twenty and completing some Christmas addition and subtraction activities. Year 2 have continued with their work on multiplication and division. They have been learning how to create and use arrays to write repeated addition sums.

Well done and thank you to you all for your hard work and effort this term. We are very proud of you all. We would also like to thank all parents for their support and help with all we do.

We are very sad to have Ava and Leah leaving this term. You will be greatly missed and we wish you and your family all the best for your return to Sussex.

We wish you all a very happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Mrs Godly



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Class 2

A snowy start to the last week of term. It has been a strange week this week in Class 2 with the weather conditions, well done to all the children who have adapted seamlessly this week to the restrictions the weather has placed on us.

In English this week the children have created a story board for their own Christmas advert, following the same pattern as Mog's Christmas Calamity. The children planned their advert on a story board and then used this to transform their advert into a short narrative.

In Maths Years 3 and 4 have continued their sequence on length and perimeter and the children have been converting units of measure from cm to mm and cm to m. The children used this to compare different lengths of measurement.

Years 5 and 6 have concluded their learning on fractions and have started to look at ratio. This week we welcomed parents in for our Christmas Fayre and craft afternoon, the children enjoyed sharing their craft with you and making baubles and snowflakes. Thank you to all the parents that were able to come due to the weather conditions.

Well done to all the children in Class 2 who supported Class 1 in their nativity as the choir on Wednesday afternoon after the snow sadly postponed it on Monday. On Wednesday we enjoyed our Christmas lunch, the children enjoyed eating together in class with festive music and crackers popping. The children looked very festive in their Christmas jumpers.

There is a Times Tables Rockstars tournament over the Christmas period, limited to an hour a day of scoring.

Today we say goodbye and good luck to Sam and Abi who will be leaving us today and starting a new adventure. We wish them well and good luck in their new settings. Well done Class 2, you have worked really hard this term. Enjoy the Christmas break and have a great time with your families.

Mr Saltearn



LITTLE WOODLANDS

NEWS FROM THE PRESCHOOL



A wonderful winter week in the Preschool!

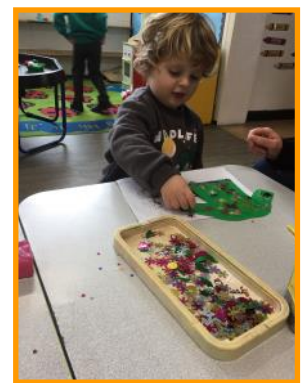
We have continued being festive this week by making decorations, designing Christmas jumpers and decorating gingerbread men. We have enjoyed lots of Christmas themed stories including a Supertato Christmas special!

The children thoroughly enjoyed their Christmas lunch on Wednesday and we were very impressed with how they sat and ate their lunch beautifully with Class 1.

It has been a super term in the Preschool. The children play, explore and learn beautifully with each other.

Thank you for your support and we hope you have a very merry Christmas! See you in 2023!

Mrs Stapley and the Preschool team



WINTER MENU



One						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Option 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Hunters Chicken (Homemade BBQ Sauce) & Rice)	Roast Chicken & Stuffing (Optional)	Westcountry Sausage (Pork) & Mash with Gravy	Fish Fingers	
Option 2 (v)	Vegetable Crumble	Quorn & Vegetable Fajita with Rice	Leek & Potato Layer Bake	Gnocchi with Quorn Mince Ragu	Quorn Dippers	
Sides	Sweetcorn, Baked Beans & Potato Wedges	Broccoli & Peas	Roast or Boiled Potatoes, Savoy Cabbage, Carrots & Gravy	Country Mixed Vegetables	Wholemeal Pasta or Chips, Peas, Baked Beans or Crunchy Veg Sticks	
And for pudding	Pancakes with sliced Banana & Honey	Apple Crumble & Custard	Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt	Sticky Toffee Cake topped with Toffee Sauce & Langage Farm Ice Cream	Homemade Chocolate Drop Biscuit	
Jacket Potato	Beans			Cheese		
Packed Lunch		Cheese Salad Baguette	Tuna Salad Baguette			
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative					
Week starting:	31/10/22; 21/11/22; 12/12/22; 16/01/23; 06/02/23; 06/03/23; 27/03/23					
Two						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Option 1	Quorn Curry & Tilda Rice	Cottage Pie (Beef)	Roast Gammon & Pineapple (Optional)	Organic Pork Meatballs & Wholemeal Pasta	Salmon Bites OR Fish Fingers	
Option 2 (v)	Macaroni Cheese	Tomato & Bean Pasta Bake with Crusty Bread	Vegetable Wellington	Vegetable Chilli	Vegan Sausage Roll	
Sides	Peas & Sweetcorn	Green Beans, Swede & Gravy	Roast or Boiled Potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots & Gravy	Farmhouse Mixed Vegetables, Broccoli & Potato Wedges	Wholemeal Pasta or Chips, Peas, Baked Beans or Crunchy Veg Sticks	
And for pudding	Homemade Banana Muffin	Jam Sponge & Pink Custard	Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt	Carrot Cake	Chocolate Cracknel	
Jacket Potato		Beans		Tuna		
Packed Lunch	Egg Mayo & Cress Filled Sandwich		Cheese & Onion Wrap			
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative					
Week starting:	07/11/22; 28/11/22; 02/01/23; 23/01/23; 20/02/23; 13/03/23					
Week Three						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Option 1	Pizza Margherita	Tuna Pasta Bake	Roast Pork & Stuffing (Optional)	Lasagne (Beef)	Cod Goujons	
Option 2 (v)	Plant Power Burger	Cheese Wheel & Potato Wedges	Veggie Roast	Singapore Style Noodles	Quorn Sausage	
Sides	Sweetcorn, Baked Beans & Herby Diced Potatoes	Farmhouse Mixed Vegetables	Roast or Boiled Potatoes, Swede, Carrots & Gravy	Crusty Bread, Winter Rainbow Salad & Roasted Winter Vegetables	Wholemeal Pasta or Chips, Peas, Baked Beans or Crunchy Veg Sticks	
And for pudding	Flapjack	Apple & Custard Cake with Langage Farm Ice Cream	Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt	Sticky Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Sauce	Homemade Jammy Dodger Biscuit	
Jacket Potato	Beans		Cheese			
Packed Lunch		Tuna Baguette		Pork Bap		
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative					
Week starting:	14/11/22; 05/12/22; 09/01/23; 30/01/23; 27/02/23; 20/03/23					

Daily deadline for orders: 8am

ATTENDANCE



UK Health
Security
Agency



Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.



Families with children in Class 1 who are eligible are encouraged to apply as the funding is in addition to Universal Free School Meals!

If your circumstances have changed and you are now in receipt of one or more of the following:

- Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7400 or less)
- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

You may be eligible for pupil premium funding for Kings Nympton Primary School, which entitles your child/ren to receive Free School Meals.

It takes less than a minute to apply.

Visit the Citizen Portal Devon

https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCsCitizenPortal_LIVE

or call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

If eligible, please send a screenshot
of your confirmation to
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