

# Newsletter

Monday 4th February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are regularly asked by parents, carers, grandparents and friends of the school as to how you can support the school to continue to provide a rich, wide ranging curriculum and a high standard of education.

We have seen an increase in the number of people joining and interested in joining KLASS, we have volunteers coming in to help with reading, helping on school trips and giving children an understanding of the world of work, and we have the support of a talented governing body.

As you will be aware we are having a push on reading non-fiction texts later this term and we need to supplement the books that we have got. We have therefore put together a wish list of books that we would like to buy for the children and have put the wish list on Amazon giving parents, grandparents and friends of the school the opportunity to support our children by buying a book or two.

Whilst funding is very challenging, and the near future doesn't look much better, the school will continue to function with the funding we receive. However, we aren't a school that just functions, we do our very best to provide every resource possible for our children, to ensure they get a top class education.

If you would like, and are able, to support the school and your child's education, and to do a bit for our community we would ask you to buy one of the books of the wish list. This will arrive at school a few days later and be added to the children's non-fiction book box or class library.

This can be accessed in a number of ways:

- 1) Click on the link <http://amzn.eu/hRIZqSB> to go straight to Amazon.
- 2) Click on the link to go via the Kingslea website <https://www.kingslea.w-sussex.sch.uk/wishlist.html>
- 3) Select the Parents/Carers tab on the Kingslea website and then 'Wishlist' from the drop down list
- 4) Choose the book you would like to purchase
- 5) If you would like to add a Gift Message, so we know who the book is from please do so



Thank you for taking the time to read this and thank you for your support. The governing body have trialled the wish list, but any feedback on the ease of use or the wish list in general please do contact me.

Yours sincerely,  
Alexis Conway



## **Multi-Use Games Area**

As most of you will be aware, the MUGA has been completed. This has allowed us to extend our KS2 playground and have a dedicated sports area. There will be a rota for its use, with one year group at a time using the MUGA at break time and lunchtime. It will also be used for PE lessons. Thank you to KLASS for their significant donation towards the building of the MUGA.

### **Parents' Evening**

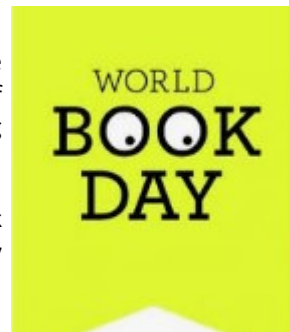
Thank you to all of you who have signed up for parents' evening. As usual please arrive early to have a look at your child's books. We will also be having a Book Fair in the main hall with a percentage of the profits going to Kingslea which will be used to buy books for the school. KLASS will also be present selling tickets for the disco and the Easter Raffle.

### **World Book Day and Parent Workshop**

On Thursday 7th March we will be holding our World Book Day celebrations. We will be sending more information out nearer the time but we thought you would like a preview of what we are doing. The theme for this year is Heroes and Villains and yes, we are dressing up. Have a think about heroes and villains from children's literature.

If you would like to see the books that can be bought with the £1 voucher please click here <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/> Vouchers will be sent home on Monday 25th February.

At 9.00am we will be inviting parents in for a reading workshop. The theme of this year's workshop will be how to support your child with reading, particularly comprehension and vocabulary. As usual the workshop will be split into Y1/2 and Y3-6 workshops and afterwards you will be able to go into your child/s classroom to join them for a reading session.



### **Kingslea at the O2 arena**

Last week 43 children from Kingslea had the experience of a lifetime singing at the O2 arena. Along with 6,000 children from across the south of England they sang to an audience of thousands. Songs included 'Thank you for the days' songs about the days of the week and a Greatest Showman medley. The singing, the lights, and special guests appearances from Tony Hadley (lead singer of Spandau Ballet), singer/songwriter Sharlene Hector and Beau Dermott from the 2016 Series of Britain's Got Talent made it a night to remember. Even the 11.30pm return to Horsham didn't dampen the spirits of our children, parents and staff.



### **Year 3—The Lost Words**

Year 3 have truly been inspired so far this term. Delving into 'The Lost Words', a thought provoking poetry book written by Rob Macfarlane bursting with such rich language to explore and discuss. His words come alive on the page with the stunning art work of Jackie Morris. The children worked hard to write their own factually based poem about the creatures found within the book. They then had the opportunity to meet Jackie Morris in person as Nymans launched their new exhibition on 'The Lost Words'. Jackie was so impressed by the children's poems and enthusiasm. She spent time talking to each child who was able to attend, reading their work and signing their poems. The exhibition runs until June 2<sup>nd</sup>. All the poems will now be entered a local poetry competition for Horsham District Year of Culture with the winning poems becoming a permanent part of Horsham Park.



### **Art work at Horsham train station**

If you have been to Horsham train station recently you will have noticed some art work, displayed as posters, that a number of our children created during a workshop at Christ's Hospital in June. If you haven't seen it yet, next time you are at the station, do take a look.



### **Safeguarding**

If you have any concerns about a child, be it in school or out of school, you are able to report your concerns to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads. These are Mr Conway, Miss Hancock and Mrs Russell. You can either approach us directly or ask to speak to us via the office. Whilst something might seem quite minor to you, it could be one piece of information that is part of a bigger picture.

**Keeping  
children safe  
is everyone's  
responsibility**



Hello Everyone,

Welcome to the very first Governor section of the newsletter. It has been our aim to improve communication between the Governors, our staff, parents and children. Through these sections, going forward we plan to share who we are and what we as governors have been involved in over the last term.

I joined Kingslea board of governors in October 2016 and was elected Chair in September 2018 following the fantastic work of our previous long standing chair Hannah Gardner, who still remains part of the board. I have two daughters currently at the school so, just like all of you, I have a vested interest in our amazing school.

The Governing Body consists of Parents, Staff, Community and Local Authority Governors who bring Kingslea Primary School a wide range of skills and expertise. We meet termly with extra sub-committees, concentrating on different aspects of the curriculum and school life. The Governing body play a vital role in supporting and developing the strategy and vision. Our key focus is to ensure we provide a broad and enriched curriculum, that continues to develop both core English and maths but also sports, the arts and technology. Investment in the recent development of the MUGA and continued investment in the latest technology shows are continued commitment to this.

As this is the first time we have written in the newsletter, I have included a list of our Governors' names and the type of Governor they are.

### **Governing Body Membership**

James King – Co-opted (Chair)  
Alexis Conway – Staff (Headteacher)  
Julie Burnett – Elected Staff  
Tim Franklin – Local Authority Appointed  
Sarah Evans - Elected Parent  
John New – Elected Parent  
Monica Melica – Elected Parent

Maria Anderson - Elected Parent  
Patricia Barrett - Co-opted  
Mary Bennison – Co-opted  
Laurence Booth – Co-opted  
Hannah Gardner – Elected Parent  
Alison Wood – Co-opted  
Nick Parfitt – Co-opted

Do remember that the governing body will be pleased to hear from you about any aspects of the school you feel need bringing to our attention. We can be contacted through the school and can get together to discuss anything essential, or bring up the matter in our meetings, to encourage partnership with Kingslea families. If you would like to contact a member of the governing body please email the school office on [office@kingslea.org.uk](mailto:office@kingslea.org.uk)

James King Chair of Governors

### **Notes from the School Office**

- *Please ensure we have up to date details—addresses and contact numbers for children and parents. If you are a parent who doesn't live at the same address as your child, please let us have your details so we can keep you up to date with all the news and events at school.*

Spring Term 2019	
Tuesday 5th February	7.30pm KLASS meeting—all invited to find out more about the PTA
Wednesday 6th February	2.45pm Y1 Parent Classroom visit
Thursday 7th February	am Y3&4 Sports Hall Athletics @ Forest      Y5 Boys Forest transition roadshow
Friday 8th February	5.30pm Y5&6 Table Tennis @ Collyers
Monday 11th February	2.20pm Reception Stay and Play
Tuesday 12th February	Parents' Evening 3.30-7.00pm
Wednesday 13th February	Parents' Evening 3.30-7.00pm
Thursday 14th February	pm Cross Country @ Christ's Hospital      New Age Kurling @ Millais
Friday 15th February	INSET - Developing writing through reading      5.30pm Y5&Y6 Table Tennis @ Collyers
18th-22nd February Half Term	
Monday 25th February	2.20pm Reception Stay and Play
Tuesday 26th February	Y4 Viking Workshop   pm Music Festival Rehearsal @ Arunside   3L First swimming lesson
Wednesday 27th February	2.42pm Y1 Parent Classroom visit      6.00pm Governors Curriculum Committee
Thursday 28th February	9.00am Governors Resources Committee
Friday 1st March	5.30pm Y5&6 Table Tennis @ Collyers
Monday 4th March	Y1 Rainbow Theatre Visit      2.20pm Reception Stay and Play
Tuesday 5th March	Pancake Cafe      pm Y3&4 Tag Rugby Festival @ Collyers
Wednesday 6th March	4.00pm Netball @ Collyers
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day—parent workshop in morning
Friday 8th March	4.00pm Y4 Football Cup @ Horsham Park      5.30pm Y5&Y6 Table Tennis @ Collyers
Monday 11th March	Y3 to Wakehurst      2.20pm Reception Stay and Play
Wednesday 13th March	2.45pm Y1 Parent Classroom visit
Friday 15th March	4.00pm Y5 Football Cup @ Horsham Park
Sunday 17th March	am Y5/Y6 Dance rehearsal   pm Y2/Y3 Dance rehearsal
Monday 18th March	Dance Rehearsal @ Capitol   2.20pm YR Stay and Play   7.00pm Dance Festival @ Capitol
Wednesday 20th March	pm Music Festival Rehearsal @ Arunside      6.00pm Full Governing Body meeting
Friday 22nd March	pm Y2 Space Café      4.00pm Y6 Football Cup @ Horsham Park
Monday 25th March	2.20pm Reception Stay and Play
Tuesday 26th March	pm Y5&6 Tag Rugby competition @ Horsham Rugby Club   pm Y2 Church Visit
Wednesday 27th March	Y2 Space Day      2.45pm Y1 Parent Classroom visit
Thursday 28th March	Family Quiz night
Friday 29th March	Non-uniform day      Discos
Monday 1st April	2.20pm Reception Stay and Play
Wednesday 3rd April	Y6 Citizenship Day @ Drill Hall
Thursday 4th April	Class & Y6 Individual Photos      4.30pm Basketball @ Collyers
Friday 5th April	Last Day of Term      Welly Walk
Easter Holidays	
Tuesday 23rd April	First day of term
Wednesday 24th April	pm Y3/4 Netball Festival @ Collyers      4.00pm Y5/6 Netball Tournament @ Collyers
Thursday 25th April	Y1 to Arundel   pm Music Festival Rehearsal @ Arunside   4.00pm Basketball @ Collyers
Friday 26th April	Family Cinema night (Key Stage 2 children and families)
Thursday 2nd May	9.00am Governors Resources Committee   6.30pm Y6 Swanage parents meeting
Friday 3rd May	7.00pm Music Festival @ The Hawth
Monday 13th May	Beginning of Y6 SATS Week
Friday 17th May	Dad's Morning
Friday 24th May	Y4 Camping
Summer Term 2019	
First Day - Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019      Last Day – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	
Half Term – Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2019      INSET Day - Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2019	