

Newsletter

Monday 5th September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the summer break and a very special welcome to all our new families, whether you are starting in Reception or in other year groups. As always, it has been a busy summer at Kingslea. For those of you who have been on-site, you will have seen that the well-being walk is complete and the outdoor area between the Year 4 and Year 5 classrooms has been resurfaced. Thank you to Mr Farley for his work on those two projects. We have also painted the Year 1 and Year 2 classrooms. Mr Richmond, our Site Manager, has been very busy refurbishing various rooms and the grounds across the school. I would like to personally thank him and his wife for the pride they take in ensuring that our school looks so welcoming and fresh.

At the end of last week, all the teachers and support staff met for our two INSET days. Every year, schools have five training days to take part in on-the-job training. These days were introduced nationally a few decades ago and were taken from the teachers' holidays, rather than from the children's school days. So please don't think your child is missing school on an INSET day: they aren't. The focus of the training days is for each school to decide. Over our two INSET days we spent time looking at safeguarding, developing whole class feedback, developing resilience in children, the main focus areas for each subject area and how to further improve children's writing.

Whilst the news in the wider world may not as positive as we'd like, here in the world of Kingslea we are very excited about this coming year. We have a fantastic team of teachers and support staff in place, a team that I am very proud of. We have an exciting, relevant and varied curriculum in place, and, as well as aiming to build on the excellent academic results we achieved last year, we aim to develop the children's wider experiences of life. Our club offer continues to be very, very impressive: we will be running almost 30 clubs this term. We also want to continue to work alongside you and involve you in your child's education.

Please remember the bell is rung at 8.40am each morning and this is the time we would like children here for. As soon as your child enters the classroom, the learning starts. If your child arrives at school at 8.50am each day, as oppose to 8.40am then they miss out on almost an hour of learning each week, which equates to 32.5 hours or a weeks worth of learning over the course a school year! Why wouldn't you want your child here for as long as possible!

Looking forward to an excellent year,

Alexis Conway and the Kingslea Team.



Staffing for September 2022

Class	Class Teacher	Area of responsibility	TA Support
RM	Miss J Miksaite		Miss B Varney, Mrs N Trousdale
RH	Miss S Hancock	EYFS Lead, Curriculum Team	Mrs J Hawkins, Ms Y Makarova
1JC	Miss J Custard		Mrs T Hoskins
1EC	Miss E Cooper	Computing	Miss M Stallard, Miss K Mitchell
2S	Miss N Snell	Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education	Mrs M Booker Ms C Gundian-Silva
2B	Mrs J Burnett Mrs A Rothwell	Maths, Y1-3 Phase Lead	Mrs F Fallows Mrs N Khrashchevych
3S	Mrs C Smith	PE	Miss K Beaven
3K	Mr T Kane	PE	Mrs C Power, Miss C Vine
4B	Ms R Baldwin	RE / Teaching Students	Mrs S Kayyala
4U	Mrs K Upton	English Lead	Mrs L Bassett, Mrs F Harris
5H	Mr R Hill	Art	Mrs L West
5W	Mrs T Wingfield	Science / Outdoor Learning / Environmental Education/DT	Miss N Alderton
6W	Mrs H Whiteley	Curriculum Lead / History	Mrs C Aiken
6L	Mrs K Chadburn	Geography	Mrs A Longdon, Mr S Webb
Mrs P Barrett		Inclusion Lead, Safeguarding Lead	
Mrs K Howard		Inclusion Team, Deputy Safeguarding Lead, Y4-6 Teaching Assistant Lead, Higher Level Teaching Assistant	
Mrs A Rothwell		Early reading/ Phonics Lead / Y1-3 Teaching Assistant Lead	
Mrs N Russell		Inclusion Team, Family Liaison, Learning Mentor	
Mrs M Blackwell		Y5/6 Maths Set Teacher	
Mr D Mothee		Sports Coach, Learning Mentor	
Mr J Borley		Outdoor Education Teacher	
Mrs D Cairns		Phonics Booster Teaching Assistant	

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 Mrs Barrett, Mrs Howard and Mrs Payne. 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.

Uniform

We are always very proud with how smart and well-presented our children are. Just a reminder that school shoes should be black and be shoes, not trainers, and should not have flashing lights! Earrings must be studs, and hair over shoulder length should be tied back with a green or black hair band. PE jumpers must be school hoodies or school jumpers.

Volunteers meeting—Tuesday 13th September

If you would like to volunteer in school on a regular basis we are holding our volunteers meeting on Tuesday 13th September at 9.10am and 2:30pm. It is important that all volunteers, new and experienced, attend the meeting. Many of our volunteers spend invaluable time reading with our children; however, if you feel you have a skill that would enhance education at Kingslea—for example sewing, IT skills, coaching qualifications—please do come and speak to us about voluntary work. Please contact Mrs King in the school office to book your place. If you have any questions about the meeting, please see Mrs Payne, who is our lead for volunteers.

Scooters and Bicycles

We are delighted that so many children are scooting and cycling to Kingslea. Please remember to park scooters neatly on the tarmacked area by the KS1 gate and bicycles should be locked on the racks at the front of the school (one by the hall

Maths Workshops (Y1-Y6) Friday 7th October

The plan going forward is to hold a workshop and classroom visit in both the Autumn and Spring Term, with the highly enjoyable Day of Art in the Summer Term. On Friday 7th October we will be holding a Maths Workshop for parents. This will allow you to gain an insight into what and how we teach an aspect of maths as well as a chance to work alongside your child in class. This term's focus for maths will be calculation. We will start with a workshop in the hall, followed by a visit to classrooms. Timings will be 9.10am-10.30am, but for those of you with excellent participation in the workshop you can stay for break time and finish at 10.45am.

Notes from the School Office

Medications & Inhalers etc

- *If your child regularly keeps an inhaler, auto-injector or other medication at school, please ensure that they are 'in date' and return to your class teacher/ teaching assistant on the first day of school.*

Lost Property

- *We cannot emphasise enough the importance of labelling all items brought to school with your child's name. Imagine how upset you would be if your child loses their brand new Kingslea jumper or new expensive coat within weeks or returning to school.*
- *We recommend either sew in or iron on name tags, as ink fades very quickly after a few washes. If an item has a name in, it will be returned to your child.*
- *There are over 420 children all wearing the same uniform—please make sure you put a name in!!!*

Autumn Term 2022		
Monday 5th September	First Day of Term	Reception Home Visits
Tuesday 6th September	Reception Home Visits	2.30pm Y1-Y6 curriculum meetings for parents
Wednesday 7th September	Reception Group A 8.45am-12noon	Reception Group B 1.00pm-3.10pm
Thursday 8th September	Reception Start Full Time	
Tuesday 13th September	9.10am and 2.30pm Volunteers meeting	
Wednesday 14th September	6.00pm Full Governing Body	
Thursday 22nd September	Y3 visit to Mr Simms Olde Sweet Shoppe	
Friday 23rd September	Y4 Worthing Town visit	2.00pm Reception meeting for parents
Tuesday 27th September	Y6 Maths Competition	
Wednesday 28th September	Y5 Maths Competition	
Tuesday 4th October	Y5 Greek Workshop	
Friday 7th October	9.10am Y1-Y6 Parents Maths Workshop and classroom visit	
Monday 10th October	KS1 Conker Competition	
Tuesday 11th October	KS2 Conker Competition	
Friday 14th October	Y4 Horsham Town visit	KLASS Discos
Tuesday 18th October	3.40pm-7.00pm Parents' Evening—in person	
Thursday 20th October	3.40pm-7.00pm Parents' Evening—in person	
Friday 21st October	INSET DAY	
Half Term Monday 24th—Friday 29th October		
Thursday 3rd November	Firework night	
Tuesday 8th November	Y2 Rainbow Theatre Workshop	
Wednesday 23rd November	1.30pm Governors Curriculum	
Thursday 1st December	1.30pm Governors Resources	
Wednesday 7th December	Flu Vaccinations (Whole School)	
Thursday 8th December	9.30am & 2.30pm Reception Christmas Performance	
Friday 9th December	Y4 Church Visit	
Tuesday 13th December	9.30am Y1 Christmas Performance	2.15pm Y2 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 14th December	9.30am Y2 Christmas Performance	2.15pm Y1 Christmas Performance
Thursday 15th December	Christmas Lunch & Dress Up Day	
Friday 16th December	Last Day of Term	

Autumn Term 2022			
First Day	Monday 5 th September 2022	Last Day	Friday 16 th December 2022
Half Term	Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th October	INSET Days	Thursday 1 st & Friday 2 nd September Friday 21 st October 2022

Spring Term 2023			
First Day	Wednesday 4 th January 2023	Last Day	Friday 31 st March 2023
Half Term	Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th February	INSET Days	Tuesday 3 rd January 2023

Summer Term 2023			
First Day	Monday 17 th April 2023	Last Day	Friday 21 st July 2023
Half Term	Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June	INSET Days	Friday 23 rd June 2023