



Newsletter

Monday 15th July 2019

Welcome to our final newsletter of the year.

As always, it's been a busy year with so many fantastic events and opportunities for our children. I remain immensely proud of the achievements of every child and every member of staff. I am fortunate that I get to visit every classroom, every day and it is our day-to-day focus on high expectations, a wide and varied curriculum and on kindness that shines through.

I would like to thank the teachers and support staff for their unwavering commitment to Kingslea and its pupils. So much goes on behind-the-scenes that many parents are unaware of. I would also like to thank you as parents for the support you give to the school as a whole and to your child. It's obvious but you have a huge influence on how successful they are at school. Have a lovely summer and we will see you in September (apart from Year 6 who we wish 'all the best').

Regards, Mr Conway

Children's Parade

Over the last few months, the Year 4 Kingslea children, alongside 16 other Horsham schools have been preparing for Horsham's very first 'Children's Parade' which took place on Sunday 7th July. Each school had an artist as their inspiration, with ours being Frida Kahlo, the Mexican painter who painted many portraits, self-portraits, and works inspired by the nature and artifacts of Mexico. Year 4 made a 6ft high bust of Frida Kahlo from willow, tissue paper and PVA, and each child had their own cat or monkey 'backpack'. Year 5 teamed up with Horsham's very own drummers 'Boom Tribe' to lead the 1000-strong parade through the streets of Horsham. A fantastic day - and it was lovely to see so many Kingslea families cheering us on.



Big Bang

Year 5 had the exciting opportunity to visit The Big Bang Science Fair at Ardingly Showground this half term. The children were amazed by the many activities and shows. All pupils learnt how dry ice is formed by watching an engaging, energetic scientist; he really wowed the children with his knowledge! Year 5 then participated in a construction activity which saw them designing, making and testing a wind up toy. All our children demonstrated brilliant involvement and enthusiasm and we are very proud of them!



Amazon Wishlist

Thank you to everyone who has bought books for children and the school from our wishlist. It has been a fabulous success and around £1000 worth of books have been delivered to the school. Books have been arriving regularly since we first sent out the wishlist. If you would like to contribute please click on the link below.



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Academic Achievement for 2019/2020

We are again very proud of our academic results this year.

- Our end of Reception results show that pupils have made above expected progress from their starting points last September.
- Our Year 1 phonics test results are well above the national average.
- Our Year 2 test results show that the year group have made good progress.
- In the subjects that are tested in Year 6, and can be compared across schools, results are above the 2019 national averages for Maths, Reading, and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling.

% of children reaching the 'expected standard'.	2019 Kingslea Results	Comparison to national (2019)	2019 National Results	Progress (prediction)
Combined RWM	71%	+6%	65%	
Reading	79%	+6%	73%	Above expected
Writing (Teacher Assessment)	75%	-3%	78%	Expected
Grammar, punctuation and spelling	94%	+16%	78%	N/A
Mathematics	86%	+7%	79%	Above expected

We continue to ensure we are a fully inclusive school, including investing time and effort into ensuring all our pupils make above expected progress. Our initial analysis of the data indicates that our children made above expected progress in reading and maths, and expected progress in writing. Whilst our children performed very, very well in the grammar, punctuation and spelling test, there is no progress measure.

It is the consistency of results which show that over the last four years our pupils have made better progress than national in reading, maths, and grammar, punctuation and spelling. It is this consistency that we are very proud of, as our aim is to ensure high academic standards and a wide and varied curriculum day in, day out.

Term Dates 2019-20

Autumn Term 2019			
First Day	Tuesday 3 rd September 2019	Last Day	Friday 20 th December 2019
Half Term	Monday 28 th Oct – Friday 1 st Nov	INSET Days	Monday 2 nd September & Friday 25 th October 2019
Spring Term 2020			
First Day	Monday 6 th January 2020	Last Day	Friday 3 rd April 2020
Half Term	Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st February	INSET Days	Monday 24 th February 2020
Summer Term 2020			
First Day	Monday 20 th April 2020	Last Day	Friday 17 th July 2020
Half Term	Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th May	INSET Days	Friday 26 th June 2020

Uniform and National Ear Piercing Day

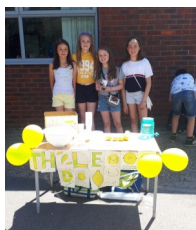
I am always very proud of how our children look. Looking smart, in full school uniform and wearing proper school shoes is an important part of who we are at Kingslea. As I have mentioned previously, from September, in PE children are to wear their school hoodie or school jumper if they want to wear an extra layer outside.

I would also like to support the introduction of 'National Ear Piercing Weekend' (July 21st/22nd). Whilst I have yet to get around to petitioning parliament it would help us immensely if you could join in with 'National Ear Piercing Weekend' and get any ears that need piercing done at the start of the holiday, so they can be removed when we do PE at the start of term, which is better than taping them up. Thank you all.

Staying on the school site after school finishes

We are more than happy for children and parents to stay on site after school, either to wait for siblings in clubs, for parents to chat and for children to play but we do need to ensure a few things are in place. All children must have an adult with them and that adult is responsible for them. The responsible adult must be able to see the child/ren they are responsible for. The expectations of play (e.g. respect for others, not jumping off the top of the slide etc) must be at the same level as we have at break and lunch time. Children should not go into the woods and parents/children need to move away from areas that Rocketeers are using, including the MUGA.

What's been going on?



Grandparents' Afternoon

It was lovely to see almost 200 grandparents visit the school to spend time with their grandchildren. There were a whole host of activities for grandparents and grandchildren to participate in together, including art, music and sports sessions. Thank you to everyone who came along, the children loved seeing their grandparents in school and sharing what they do.



Notes from the School Office

Medications—All medications, inhalers etc held in school will be sent home on the last day of term. Please check expiry dates over the summer and return all necessary, in-date medicines to your child's new class on the first day back at school. Please note:

- If your child requires an auto injector (epi-pen) we require two to be provide to school.
- If your child requires an inhaler and attends Rocketeers, you must provide school with two inhalers. One will be kept in class, the other will be kept in the School Office and made available to Rocketeers during the time your child is with them.



Autumn Term 2019

Thursday 29th August	10.00am-2.00pm Back to School Sports and Social Day
Friday 30th August	12noon-2.00pm Reception Teddy Bear Picnic
Monday 2nd September	INSET DAY
Tuesday 3rd September	First day of school for Y1 to Y6
Monday 9th September	am Reception group A pm Reception group B
Tuesday 10th September	am Reception group B pm Reception group A pm 3S swimming (and then every Tuesday)
Wednesday 11th September	Reception in full-time 2.30pm New year group (Y1-6) welcome meetings 6.00pm New year group (Y1-6) welcome meeting and Y5 Sex and Relationship meeting
Thursday 12th September	9.00am & 2.30pm Volunteers mtg
Thursday 19th September	2.45pm Y1 Parents classroom visit 6.00pm Full Governing Body mtg
Tuesday 24th September	Y4 visiting Horsham town centre
Thursday 26th September	Y3 visiting Mr Simms Sweet Shoppe
Friday 27th September	2.00pm-3.00pm Reception Parents mtg
Thursday 3rd October	2.45pm Y1 Parents classroom visit
Thursday 10th October	9.15am Parent Workshop and Classroom visit 6.00pm Parent Workshop 6.45pm Governors Curriculum Ctte
Thursday 17th October	2.45pm Y1 Parents classroom visit
Monday 21st October	Individual School Photos & Sibling Groups
Wednesday 23rd October	2.20pm Reception Stay & Play (and then every Wednesday) 3.30-7.00pm Parents' Evening
Thursday 24th October	3.30-7.00pm Parents' Evening
Friday 25th October	INSET DAY

HALF TERM : MONDAY 28TH OCTOBER –FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

Tuesday 5th November	Y6 Homefront Bus visit
Wednesday 6th November	Governors' morning
Thursday 7th November	2.45pm Y1 Parents classroom visit
Friday 8th November	Firework night
Thursday 14th November	Big Draw 9.00am Resources Governors
Tuesday 21st November	2.45pm Y1 Parents' classroom visit
Tuesday 28th November	3S Last swim before Christmas
Thursday 5th December	Flu vaccines—all year groups 2.45pm Y1 Parents classroom visit 6.00pm Full Governing Body
Friday 13th December	Christmas Dress up day / Christmas Lunch / Christmas Decoration Afternoon
Monday 16th December	pm Y1/2 Christmas performance
Tuesday 17th December	am Reception Christmas performance pm Y1/2 Christmas performance 7.00pm Choir Candlelit Concert
Wednesday 18th December	am Y1/2 Christmas performance pm Reception Christmas performance
Friday 20th December	Last Day of Term