

Friday 7th June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been a fantastic start to the final half-term of the year. The children are thoroughly enjoying their learning journeys, teachers are very pleased with the progress that the children are making and we are back on the field at lunchtimes. KS2 packed lunches are eating outside and all the classes are now playing on the field. KS1 are loving the building area, parachute games, exploring the woods with Mr Gear and there seems to be a craze for building houses out of cut grass. I also have to say how impressed I am with our Y5 play leaders. Our play leaders organise and set up games and activities for KS1 children at lunchtime and they are doing a fabulous job. They have been thoughtful, kind and encouraging. If your child is a play leader please thank them from me. KS2 are enjoying having two football pitches, the KS2 trim trail, recreating Olympic running races, Dungeons and Dragons club, table tennis and a huge area of the field to sit, chat and relax.



Regarding the warmer weather, please ensure you have applied sunscreen to your child before they arrive at school. You may then send the clearly-named bottle to school for them to re-apply at lunchtime. Teachers will remind children to re-apply sunscreen, although they are not able to apply it for them. Please also ensure all children bring a hat and refillable water bottle each day.



If your child suffers from hayfever, please ensure they take medication before school each day. We are unable to administer hayfever medication in school unless it is prescribed.

As always, it's been a very busy time at school.

Yesterday, Year 2 visited Drusillas Zoo and Y4 visited Goodwood Education Trust. Just before half-term we also held the very successful Y4 camping evening, which took place on our field. We enjoyed games, a camp fire, smores, hot chocolate and a bedtime story. A huge thank you to all the staff, especially those who slept over.



Y6 will be back from their five day Swanage residential today. The visit to Swanage is linked to their Learning Journey, 'Caves, castles, cliffs and crabs' which sums up very well what the children have been doing at Swanage, along with a fair bit of walking.



Coming up, we've got Sports Day on Tuesday 25th June, starting just after 9.00am. There will be a series of activity stations around the field and classes will move from station to station, gaining points for their house. Please remember to stay around the edge of the field so we can keep your children safe and ensure there is a clear separation between parents and children. Book it in your diaries, and start stretching and training for the parent races! During the week of Sports Day (the week of the 24th June) we will be running early morning activities for parents and children on the field, keep an eye out for the timetable.

Alexis Conway and the Kingslea Team

Curriculum

Mrs Whiteley and Miss Hancock hold the position of Curriculum Team Leaders at Kingslea. Part of their role is to oversee, audit and develop our school curriculum, which is all subjects beyond maths and English. Our curriculum leaders also meet with individual subject leaders to review subjects and put in place plans to further develop them. For example over the last few years, in geography, we have focused on mapping skills. Next year computing will be a whole school focus. It is always a privilege and a pleasure for the curriculum team to audit the Learning Journeys. They are always very, impressed by the high standards set and the quality of the work produced. The children demonstrate their enjoyment and pride in their learning through their ability to communicate their knowledge and the presentation of their work. Staff work hard to ensure that the Learning Journeys are packed with exciting and innovative ways to help children access, use and apply their knowledge. The children could be travelling around the world in a hot air balloon, experiencing a day in the life of a Victorian child, trainee ornithologists, being archaeologists looking for evidence inside 'Sutton Hoo', learning how to survive in the outdoors or plotting glacial retreats using GIS. Whatever the task, it is guaranteed to be engaging, memorable and fun.



Parking

We have seen a significant improvement in legal and safe parking, thank you for taking note of the double yellow lines and yellow zig-zags.

A few of things:

Yes, there are a couple of cars that regularly park on the double yellows, they have blue badges.

Please can you ask grandparents to also park safely and legally. Most of the people we have spoken to recently about illegal and unsafe parking have been grandparents.

Please don't ask us where you should park. If you have a license to drive a car, I would have thought you could work out how/where to park legally.

Please don't tell us that waiting in the car with your engine running on double yellows/zig-zags is 'waiting' not 'parking' or 'stopping', it is the same thing.

Finally, putting on your hazard lights does not make your car invisible or allow you to park on the double yellows! This is not central Athens, it's Horsham. Let's use some common sense.

HORSHAM CHILDREN'S PARADE



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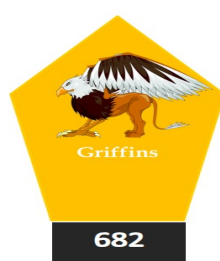
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Housepoints

Summer 2024

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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 Miss Nicholls. 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.

New Classes/ Reports / Open Afternoon

On Wednesday 3rd July, children will be spending the morning with their new class teacher. Reports will be coming home to parents on Friday 5th July (Tuesday 9th July for Y6, which is the day we receive their SATs results). On Tuesday 9th July from 3.30pm until 6.00pm we will be holding our open afternoon. This is an opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom, have a look at their work and chat to their teacher. You can also visit your child's new classroom and meet their new class teacher. In the hall we will be holding the book fair, sales of secondhand uniform and the inclusion team will be available.

Wool

Do you have any balls of wool at home that you no longer need? If so please can you donate to the school. Please drop them off at the office.

Attendance

For the vast majority of children the more they are in school the more they learn. Being off school for term time holidays or because children are slightly under the weather does impact on their learning, for the period of time they are off school and when they return, as they have missed out on teaching and then struggle on their return to apply the learning they have missed.

From September there are some changes to the attendance guidance:

- Fines will now be £160 per parent, per child (was £120) and £80 if paid in the first 21 days (was £60)
- Fines will be issued for 5 or more consecutive days of unauthorised absence, inset days can be included where there was intent to be absent in term time
- Three offence rule - the third time a penalty notice is issued for term time absence within 3 years can lead to a court case where a fine could be up to £2500 per parent, per child

Good attendance is a habit. We see a very similar pattern of attendance in children from Reception up. If attendance is good in Reception, it's tends to continue to be good year after year.

Notes from the School Office

Bear with.....

Our fabulous Receptionist, Mrs King, is leaving us on 20th June and we are in the process of recruiting to fill this position for September.

So, for the last four weeks of term please don't be surprised if you see some unfamiliar faces (not normally within the office environment!) in the office, or hear unfamiliar voices on the end of the phone.

Please bear with us if you ask a question that you need to wait for an answer to, or the phone isn't answered immediately.



SUMMER TERM

Monday 10th June	Y5 Children's Parade Making Day
Tuesday 11th June	6.00pm Full Governing Body
Thursday 13th June	Y2 Day of Art 10.00am Y5&6 Girls Cricket @ HCC
Friday 14th June	Y6 Day of Art
Saturday 15th June	KingsleaFest
Thursday 20th June	10.00am Y5&6 Cricket @ Southwater CC
Friday 21st June	INSET DAY
Tuesday 25th June	am Sports Day
Wednesday 26th June	Y3 Trip to Butser Ancient Farm Reception Day of Art Y5&6 Rounders Tournament @ Millais
Thursday 27th June	am Reserve Sports Day
Monday 1st July	Y3 Day of Art
Tuesday 2nd July	Y4 Day of Art Big Sing @ Christ's Hospital
Wednesday 3rd July	Transition Day—Reception New Intake Visits Y6 to secondary schools
Thursday 4th July	Y5 Tom's Talking Reptiles
Friday 5th July	am Y3&4 A Team District Sports pm Y5&6 A Team District Sports
Sunday 7th July	Children's Parade
Monday 8th July	Y5 Day of Art
Tuesday 9th July	Y5&6 Cricket Festival @ Kingslea Open Afternoon & Book Fair 3.30pm-6pm
Wednesday 10th July	9.30am Alternative Sports Festival—Rescheduled (selected children)
Tuesday 16th July	1.30pm Curriculum Governors 7.00pm Y6 Production
Wednesday 17th July	6.00pm Y6 Leavers Party
Thursday 18th July	Mr Conway's Surprise
Friday 19th July	Last Day of Term

Autumn Term 2024

First Day	Wednesday 4 th September 2024	Last Day	Friday 20 th December 2024
Half Term	Monday 28 th October-Friday 1 st November	INSET Days	Monday 2 nd & Tuesday 3 rd September Friday 25 th October

Spring Term 2025

First Day	Tuesday 7 th January 2025	Last Day	Friday 4 th April 2025
Half Term	Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st February	INSET Days	Monday 6 th January 2025

Summer Term 2025

First Day	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Last Day	Tuesday 22 nd July 2025
Half Term	Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th May	INSET Days	Friday 27 th June 2025

Autumn Term 2025

First Day	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025	Last Day	Friday 19 th December 2025
Half Term	Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st October	INSET Days	Friday 24 th October 2025

Spring Term 2026

First Day	Monday 5 th January 2026	Last Day	Friday 27 th March 2024
Half Term	Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th February	INSET Days	

Summer Term 2024

First Day	Monday 13 th April 2026	Last Day	Friday 17 th July 2026
Half Term	Monday 25 th May-Friday 29 th May	INSET Days	Friday 19 th June 2026 Monday 20 th July 2026 Tuesday 21 st July 2026 Wednesday 22 nd July 2026