

KIMBOLTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

March Newsletter



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Wow! What an eventful half-term it has been! The weeks have been packed with lots of exciting events including World Book Day, Pinnochio workshops and Comic Relief, as well as numerous sporting activities, including multiskills workshops with Stride Active, football and netball events, cross country and the Values Games Festival. We have been really fortunate to have Janene from DanceFest with us this term, and I know that all of the children have enjoyed working with her.

We have enjoyed a range of visitors this half term. Thank you to Mrs Bishop for her inspirational assembly about her work as a dentist. Also to Gary House, for an awesome afternoon talking about his Polar adventures. Finally, thank you to Mrs Desborough for providing a couple of woolly visitors.



It has been lovely to welcome you all back into school with our first 'Open Doors' afternoon since the pandemic. The children loved sharing what they have been doing in school with you.

Thank you to everyone who came to our Easter Service yesterday. I'm sure you'll agree that the children were wonderful, performing their poems and songs with energy; a lovely way to end the term.

We look forward to welcoming you back for the Summer term on Monday 17th April.

Have a wonderful Easter,

Mrs Hyde



Easter Bonnet Parade

Well done to everyone who designed an Easter Bonnet for our Easter Bonnet Parade. They were EGG-cellent!! All your wonderful creations made it exceptionally difficult to judge.

Congratulations to our 4 class winners: Martha, Louie, Lenny and George





DATES - SUMMER TERM

Monday 17th April - Term Starts

Friday 21st April – Class 3 swim 10

Friday 28th April – Class 2 Swim 1

Monday 1st May – Bank Holiday, May Day

Friday 5th May – King's Coronation Celebrations

Monday 8th May – Bank Holiday, King's Coronation

Tuesday 9th May - KS2 SATS Week

Wednesday 24th - Friday 26th May - Class 3 Residential Trip

Monday 29th May – Half Term Week

Thursday 8th June – Tempest Photographs (Class and Leavers)

Wednesday 5th July – Year 6 Induction day and open evening @ Tenbury High

Monday 10th July – KS2 Production (more details to follow)

Tuesday 11th July – KS2 Production (more details to follow)

Thursday 13th July – Whole School Move-up afternoon

Saturday 15th July – PTFA Summer Fete (more details to follow)

Wednesday 19th July – Sport Day, 1pm at school.

Thursday 20th July – Leavers Service (more details to follow)

PTFA A huge thank you to our wonderful PTFA for organising a very successful Easter Disco, lots of fun was had by everyone who attended. We would also like to thank them for donating an Easter Egg to each pupil in school for a Class Easter Egg Hunt which took place this week. THANKS FOR BEING EGGCELLENT

School Collection and Drop off – Including Carpark information

Following several safeguarding concerns, please can we ask that no children are left unsupervised at the school gates before school. The gates open at 8.45am, please do not arrive before this time unless you are using our breakfast club provision. Children walking across the carpark and waiting outside of school for the gates to open should be supervised by an adult at all times.

We have a one-way system in the car park so please use the entrance and exit accordingly. It is always very busy in the car park in the morning and at the end of the day so please pull into the car park and park up safely before you bring your child across to school so that we can avoid any accidents. The car park is designed so that cars can be parked two-deep at the top end of the carpark (closest to school) so please be patient if you appear to be blocked in and please be aware of others who may be trying to pull out as you park. Please ensure you do not fully block the carpark meaning cars are waiting on the road unable to pull in, there should be a pathway through the middle of the carpark at all times allowing vehicles to drive in and out. May we also ask that you do not double park in the layby and the lay-by verge side is kept clear in order to not reduce the view for those pulling out of the lane junction. We also have the use of the village hall carpark.

Sporting Events

This half term has been filled with fantastic sports fixtures and events. To kick things off, the whole of KS2 attended the annual cross-country event at Lucton Primary School. Just like previous years, it was muddy, fun and a real challenge. We couldn't be more proud of how the children represented Kimbolton – their resilience and determination was a sight to behold. All children finished the course and we had a number of top 10 finishes!

Class 4 were fortunate enough to get 3 spaces at the Spring Values Festival hosted by Stride Active this term. They took part in Kwik Cricket, Tri Golf and Tennis. The children, as always, blew us away with their incredible sportsmanship and resilience on what turned out to be a pretty wet event. They participated in a number of skills activities followed by some short tournament-style games – the children had a blast.

We were lucky enough to keep hold of Janene from Dancefest for another half term who delivered 5 dance sessions for Class 1 & 2. They had a ball, exploring emotions and feelings through Dancefest's new 'BOOST' initiative.

SCHOOL TERM DATES 23/24

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Wednesday 6 th September 2023	Tuesday 9 th January 2024	Tuesday 9 th April 2024
Monday 31 st October – Friday 3 rd November 2023	Monday 12 th – 16 th February 2024	Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st May 2024
Friday 22nd December 2023	Friday 22 nd March 2024	Friday 19 th July 2024

Bank Holiday's:

Good Friday: Friday 29th March 2024 Easter Monday: Monday 1st April 2024 May Day: Monday 6th May 2024 Whitsun Bank Holiday: Monday 20th May 2024

Teacher Training Sessions:

- 1. Monday 4th September 2023
- 2. Tuesday 5th September 2023
- 3. Monday 8th January 2024
- 4. Monday 8th April 2024
- 5. Monday 22nd July 2024

EASTER HOLIDAYS, WHAT'S ON....



Spend a day playing in the woods to celebrate our 60th birthday!

Do you sometimes feel a little overwhelmed with chocolate eggs and bunnies? Well this is your chance to immerse your family in nature with the help of our Wild Play experts. Join us at Queenswood Country park and Arboretum for a Wild Birthday Adventure on 22nd April.

On arrival at the Visitor's Centre, our friendly staff will be on hand to make sure you get the most from your day. There will be a host of activities to choose from and you and your nature experts can decide what suits you best.

The adventures start from 10am and activities will close at 3.30pm, you can choose to arrive anywhere between these times. The gift shop, Visitor Centre and adventure playground will be open throughout the day.

- Take time to wander and see the first signs of Spring. 'Make a Wish for Nature' by writing a message and decorating our Well Being Garden.
- Choose your slot with our Wild Play experts who will be on hand to help your little ones dive into den building, woodland crafts, exploring the woods and cooking a snack on the fire.
- Visit our cosy yurt where you can enter our 'Herefordshire Wildlife Trust birthday card competition' for your chance to win a special prize!

If you are still hungry for more forest fun, Queenswood will be offering half price tickets for their Narnia trail. You can pick these up from the Visitors Centre on arrival.

The links to the event can be found here: <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/wild-birthday-adventure-tickets-580706006297</u> https://www.herefordshirewt.org/events/2023-04-22-wild-birthday-adventure



Easter Holiday Activity - I Spy Nature Monday 3rd – Friday 7th April AND Monday 10th – Friday 14th April 1pm – 2.30pm

Go on hunts as we move through the meadows. Try and really observe a plant, bug or landscape and do a watercolour of it. Start a nature journal, which you can continue. £4.50 per accompanied child. £4.05 for members.

Recommended age 4 - 11 years. Booking essential, call 01588 676 060.

Flicks in the Sticks film Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile (PG) Wednesday 5th April

When the Primm family moves to New York City, their young son, Josh, struggles to adapt to his new school and friends. All of that changes when he discovers Lyle, a singing crocodile that loves baths, caviar and great music. The two become fast friends, but when evil neighbour Mr. Grumps threatens Lyle's existence, the Primms must band together to show the world that family can come from the most unexpected places. Film starts at 5pm.

£5.50 per adult, £3.50 per child, £16 per family. Booking essential, call 01588 676060. Free themed crafts from 4pm. Hotdogs, pizza and popcorn available to buy in the cafe from 4pm.

A Discovery Spring Children's Holiday Club

Tuesday 4th, Thursday 6th, Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th April 9am – 1pm

Be active - Enjoy the meadows, explore nature and collect natural materials to use in crafts. Be creative - make things from wood and other materials, start some plants growing to take home. Help to cook a lunchtime meal.

For ages 5 to 11 years (years 1 - 6).

Part of the Shropshire Council HAF programme. Free with a voucher code, £9.50 per day without. Includes a cooked lunch.

Booking essential, call 01588 676 060.





Easter Messy Church at Leominster Priory will be 10.30am-12.30 on Good Friday Morning - April 7th.

We will have Eggciting crafts and activities galore and will finish with lunch together. Everyone welcome. Children must bring a responsible adult with them. More information from Kathy Bland 07780 535571.

Leominster Priory Holiday Club



INCREDIBLE JOURNEY 2023

31st July - 4th August 2023

9.30am until 3pm

This summer holiday join us for a week of fun

on an Incredible Journey in the Priory Church

Prices for children in the same family: -

· One Child £60

 \cdot Second Child £45

 \cdot Additional children £35 each

· Reduced price £30 each

(for families in receipt of certain Benefits—

phone for more details)

Price includes all activities, drinks, fruit and t-shirt.

For a Booking Form contact Anna

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