

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



02/10/2026

A MESSAGE FROM MRS PREECE

What another brilliant week we have had at Kingstone and Thruxton! As a school, we have been spending time exploring our new Academy values: Kindness, Courage and Aspiration. During our Family Groups on Monday, we focused on what aspiration means and talked about how our ambitions can be big or small, short-term or long-term. It was lovely to hear the children's hopes and dreams and to discuss the steps they might take to achieve them. We certainly have some ambitious and determined young people! Our Young Hopefuls put our value of Kindness into action on Thursday afternoon when they headed out for a litter pick around the village. It makes me incredibly proud to see how eager our pupils are to make a positive difference, not only by helping one another but also by giving back to our local community. Well done, Young Hopefuls! You are a fantastic example of our school values in action!

With best wishes for a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Preece 😊



YEAR 6 NEWS

This half term, the children have thoroughly enjoyed their exciting Science learning. A particular highlight was exploring the circulatory system, where they created their own model of blood to understand the different components and their important roles within the body. The children also had the fantastic opportunity to dissect a lamb's heart, allowing them to identify the four chambers, valves and muscular walls first-hand. These practical experiences brought their learning to life and sparked lots of curiosity and enthusiasm for Science.

RECEPTION NEWS

Reception's topic this half term is 'Marvellous Me,' and they have been learning about themselves, the children and the adults in their class. They have been learning about 2D shapes and created some self-portraits of themselves and their friends. They have also been enjoying their PE lessons where they have been learning how to jump and hop correctly. The children have had lots of fun and we are looking forward to the next session.





CLASS NOTICES



Please look below to check whether there are any notices specific to your child's class this week.



Reception

- Due to Grandparents' Day our PE day will change as a one off. W/C 5/10 PE will be on Friday 9th rather than Monday 5th.



Year 1

- We have a workshop visiting school on 15th October where we will be exploring toys from the past. The cost is £2.50 per child, this is now on ParentPay.

Year 2

- It is our class showcase in Celebration Assembly next week - we hope you can join us!



Year 3

No notices this week.

Year 4

No notices this week.



Year 5

- Due to Grandparents' Day our PE day will change as a one off. W/C 5/10 PE will be on Thursday 8th, rather than Monday 5th.



Year 6

- A last minute reminder about Bikeability. Please follow the link if you would like to sign your child up.
<https://bikeright.co.uk/events/519e2e51-73ff-4360-81b1-530ce77838a6/>



GENERAL NOTICES

Road Closures

Monday 5th Oct - Friday 9th Oct the B4352 from Eaton Bishop boundary through Clehonger, to a point beyond the Seven Stars Pub.

Monday 5th Oct - Fri 16th Oct the the B4349 from its junction with the B4352 through to Kingstone boundary.



Tues 6th Oct - Wed 7th Oct Birch Hill Road from its junction with the B4349 to Poplar Road
Road closures will be in place on daily basis 09.00-17.00hrs.
Please ensure extra time for your journey if applicable.

Young Voices Year 4 & 6



We are excited to let you know that on Friday 29th January 2027, we will be taking Years 4 and 6 to the Young Voices Concert in Birmingham.

This is an exciting opportunity for the children, and we are really looking forward to taking part. Young Voices provides children with the opportunity to perform alongside thousands of other children, creating a large choir. This is a fantastic experience and one that children look back on fondly. Below is a link from last year's concert to give you a little taste of what to expect!

[Young Voices Tour Highlights | YV26](#)

A letter with more details is to follow in the upcoming weeks



Messy Church

Our next Messy Church with Rev. Cate will be held on the 15th October. This will be open to all children in Years 1-6 and can be booked on MCAS. The theme this month will be Harvest, growth and welcome.

Clubs cancelled due to Parents' Evening

Due to Parents' Evening, the following clubs are cancelled next week:

Tuesday: Year 6 Level Up and Young Hopefuls

Thursday: Little Troopers and Creative Writing Club.

All other clubs will be running as usual.



Wear Yellow - Young Minds

Friday 9th October Your child is welcome to wear an item of yellow clothing or a yellow accessory alongside their usual school uniform. This could be something as simple as a yellow T-shirt, jumper, socks, hair accessory or headband.

Spanish Club



We have had great uptake from the letter Mrs Preece sent about a Spanish Club. We are hoping that this will start after half term on a Monday. Information about sign up to follow.

Sickness

A reminder if your child is absent due to sickness/upset stomach they need to remain off school for 48 hours from the last episode of sickness/diarrhoea.

Please inform the school on each day of absence, either by voicemail or email.



Harvest Festival

There has been a slight amendment to our Harvest Festival service with it now taking place on the 6th October rather than the 5th. If you are yet to send in a donation but would like to, please send it in with your child on Monday.

Grandparents' Day

Thank you for such a positive response. We are now at capacity and are looking forward to welcoming lots of visitors on Monday. If your child doesn't have grandparents joining, they will still be having an off-timetable, fun afternoon! please don't panic!

Headlice

We have been made aware of a number of cases of headlice within the school. To prevent headlice spreading, please check your child's hair and treat accordingly.



Year 1 & 2 Winter Crafternoon

This event will take place on Tuesday 15th December, 2pm-3pm. More information to follow but please keep the date free if you would like to join.

Active Travel Challenge

Throughout the month of October, schools across Herefordshire have been challenged to take part in an Active Travel Challenge.

Our last Walk to School Challenge was a great success, and we would love to build on this by having another challenge week this month. During the week beginning Monday 12th October, we will be challenging the children to see how many times they can actively travel to and from school. As we did previously, members of staff will be positioned at the school gate and near the KHS bus bay each morning. We will provide the same walk to school sheets as we did last time.

Active travel can include:

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Walking

Scooting

Cycling

Park and Stride



At the end of the week, we will total the number of active journeys made across the school and submit our results to Stride Active, where we will be entered into a competition against other schools. The school with the highest number of active journeys will win a prize.

An extra incentive...

As a prize, we also have two Hereford FC season tickets to give away.

On Friday the 16th afterschool, we will collect all the sheets and the children who have actively travelled to school more than 8 times will have their names placed into a hat and we will pull out one name and they will win a season ticket for them and one of their parents or carers.

We hope this will be a fun way to encourage as many children and families as possible to choose active travel during the week. Every journey counts, so please encourage your child to get involved wherever possible.



CLEANER REQUIRED!

Kingstone and Thruxton Primary School

We are looking for a new cleaner to join the team at Kingstone and Thruxton Primary School, working alongside the Estates Team to carry out daily cleaning duties, providing a clean and welcoming environment for our school community.



1.5 hours per day



Monday to Friday



After school between 15:30 and 18:00 - to suit the individual.

JOIN OUR TEAM!

If you would like any further information please contact the school office:
ktpsadmin@kingstoneacademy.co.uk




HEREFORD LADS CLUB PRESENTS

Circus WORKSHOP

FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER
 10AM-3PM
 HEREFORD LADS CLUB, WIDEMARSH COMMON

£25 LUNCH INCL

GRAB YOUR TICKETS AT THE BAR





WE'RE HIRING!

Catering Assistant

Come and join our fantastic team at Kingstone High School!

We're looking for a friendly, enthusiastic and reliable Catering Assistant who enjoys working as part of a busy team.

Term time only

Monday to Friday: 9:30-14:30

INTERESTED? WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Send your CV to Agnes:
agnes.hamori@miquillcatering.co.uk




STEP RIGHT UP!

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL
 AT HEREFORD LADS CLUB

SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER
2PM - 4PM
£3 PER TICKET
FOOD INCLUDED!

COSTUME IDEAS

- RINGMASTER
- ACROBAT
- MAGICIAN
- WEREWOLF
- WITCH OR WIZARD
- VAMPIRE
- ZOMBIE
- CIRCUS PERFORMER
- FORTUNE TELLER
- SKELETON
- GHOST
- VINTAGE CIRCUS
- ANIMAL COSTUME
- OR ANY HALLOWEEN FANCY DRESS!

BEST COSTUME WINS A PRIZE!

A SPOOKTACULAR AFTERNOON OF GAMES, TREATS AND CARNIVAL FUN!

GAMES, TREATS, PRIZES, MUSIC, AND MORE!

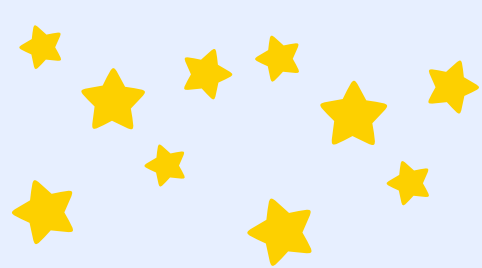
ALL ARE WELCOME!

TRICKS, TREATS, GOOD EATS!





STARS OF THE WEEK



YEAR 1:

Isaiah - For being so enthusiastic and knowledgeable in Science lessons!
Wesley - For always trying his best and having lovely manners!

YEAR 2:

Elsie - For a really positive attitude since the start of term, trying her best in every subject and always smiling.
Matilda - For settling in really well to her new class, always smiling and working hard.

YEAR 3:

Vinnie - For having a can-do attitude and trying his best in every lesson.
Dulceana - For writing some excellent sentences about the Stone Age.

YEAR 4:

Layla - For her brilliant recall in topic lessons!
Poppy - For her impeccable attitude to learning!

YEAR 5:

Darcy - For producing such an imaginative and well-structured piece of poetry.
Daisy - For working really hard in our Maths lessons.

YEAR 6:

Delcie - For working outside of her comfort zone.
Lilly - For excellent answers and always participating.

SCHOOL VALUES CERTIFICATE

Liana, you display our school values and so much more, every single day. Thank you for being someone we can rely on to always represent our school so brilliantly. You're a star!



MRS PREECE'S SUPERSTAR AWARD

Harper, thank you for being such a brilliant role model to all pupils in the school. The youngest members of our Kingstone Family look up to you a huge amount and you look after them all. Thank you.





CLASS TROPHY: YEAR 3
INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

EVIE – YEAR 3



CLASS TROPHY: YEAR 6

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

SAM – YEAR 5
ISAIAH – YEAR 1

you
ARE
awesome



CLASS TROPHY: RECEPTION

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

ROSIE – YEAR 2