

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



18/09/2026

A MESSAGE FROM MRS PREECE

It has been wonderful to see the children really find their feet this week and throw themselves into their learning. I have been so impressed by the positive attitudes across the school and the progress this is helping our pupils to make.

This half term, we are focusing on oracy — developing children's confidence and skills in speaking and listening. We will be giving this a particular focus in school and encourage you to continue talking with your children about their learning and experiences each day.

Today, I also enjoyed my first 'Hot Chocolate with the Head' of the school year. It was lovely to spend time chatting with some of our children, sharing their successes and hearing their thoughts and ideas.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Reception Phonics Information Evening this week. Working together, school and home can make a real difference to children's reading progress. We look forward to welcoming Year 1 parents to their Phonics Information Evening next week.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Preece 😊



YEAR 2 NEWS

This week in Year 2, the children have been very busy doing lots of exciting learning. They visited our school library and had a special focus on reading for pleasure, exploring lots of wonderful books and sharing stories together.

They have continued enjoying their class book, Paddington. One of the highlights of the week was discovering Paddington in Peru in the library. The children were thrilled to find another Paddington adventure and were eager to make connections with the stories we have been reading in class. It has been a fantastic week of learning, reading and working hard!



YEAR 4 NEWS

Year 4 have been getting used to their new classroom and the routines and expectations of a new school year. The children have all been given different responsibilities around the classrooms, whether it's being a book monitor, looking after the Recognition Board or closing the blinds when it gets too sunny. Everyone has a job to do. The children have also loved getting stuck into their Science lessons. They have been learning about the digestive system and have represented the processes and organs involved in a hands-on (but very messy) investigation.





CLASS NOTICES



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



Reception

- If you missed the Reception Phonics Information Evening but wanted to attend, you are welcome to join the Year 1 information event. It is on Tuesday 22nd September. Please email the office if you would like to attend.

Year 1

- Our Phonics Information Evening is on Tuesday 22nd September. Please email the office if you would like to attend.



Year 2

No messages this week.



Year 3

- We have recently had a number of reported cases of headlice in our class. We would like to ask all parents and carers to check their child's hair regularly and treat promptly.

Year 4

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

Year 5

- We have recently had a number of reported cases of headlice in our class. We would like to ask all parents and carers to check their child's hair regularly and treat promptly.

Year 6



An exciting opportunity for our year 6 children to participate in Bikeability sessions organised by an external company has been arranged. These sessions are designed to enhance pupil's cycling skills and ensure they are confident and safe riders.

This sessions are optional and will run W/C 12/10/2026. Please sign your child up using the following link if they would like to participate:

<https://bikeright.co.uk/events/519e2e51-73ff-4360-81b1-530ce77838a6/>



For these session, pupils need their own bike and helmet. More information will be sent nearer the time to those that sign up.



GENERAL NOTICES



Socks

A reminder that children's socks should be black or grey for school. The only exception is that white socks can be worn with summer dresses.

Wear Yellow Day - Young Minds

On Friday the 9th of October, we will be raising awareness of children's mental health by taking part in Wear Yellow Day in support of the Young Minds Charity.

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. Donations to support YoungMinds are very welcome, but there is no expectation to donate in order for your child to take part. We want everyone to be able to join in and help us raise awareness of the importance of children's mental health and wellbeing.

Thank you for your support!



SEND Coffee and Chat

Tuesday 22nd September at 2:30pm

An opportunity for parents and carers to meet up, and meet Ms Wilson our SENDCo to discuss any concerns or worries you may have regarding your children. If you would like to join us, please pop an email to the school office.

ktpsadmin@kingstoneacademy.co.uk



Seesaw

We will no longer be using Seesaw to send Home Learning Menus home to families. We will instead email these out, with the first of these next Friday. These documents will work in the same way as they did on Seesaw. Responses can instead be emailed or sent in paper form directly to your child's Class Teacher. The activities are optional and designed to enrich and consolidate skills and knowledge taught in school. We know lots of you chose to send pictures through Seesaw of things that your children would like to share with their class or teachers. Please continue to do this via email from now on, directly to your child's Class Teacher.

MCAS App

Please take a moment to check that the information we have for your child/children is up to date on the MCaS App, including contact information, medical/dietary needs, social media consents etc.



Parking

Please refrain from parking on the grass alongside the main drive between KTPS and KHS. Crucial cables run under this ground and issues have been caused before by the ground becoming overly compacted. Thank you for your cooperation. Please also respect the new double yellow lines that have been installed, avoiding parking in these areas. This ensures the safety of all at key pick up and drop off times.

Donations of Cakes - Macmillan

Please send in any Macmillan cake donations on Thursday next week. Home made or shop bought donations would be greatly appreciated in helping us raise money for a very worthy cause. Many thanks.

KINGSTONE & THRUXTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

CAKES NEEDED!

Please bring in cakes for our

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thursday 24th September 2026

Homemade or shop-bought, every cake makes a difference!



Winners of the baking competition will be announced in Friday's celebration assembly (25th).

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Together we can make a difference.

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POPPY CHALLENGE WALKS 2026

Three circular routes out of Clehonger. Walk one at your own pace and raise money for the Poppy Appeal.

WALK DAY	SET OFF ANY TIME	ENTER ON THE DAY
SUNDAY 20 SEPT	9AM – 11AM	£5 PER WALKER



4 MILES · FAMILY FRIENDLY
CLEHONGER > GOOSE POOL > OLD CLEHONGER > CLEHONGER
Field paths and quiet lanes, with a bug, bird and leaf hunt to keep children going.



7 MILES · STRETCH YOUR LEGS
CLEHONGER > MADLEY > EATON BISHOP > CLEHONGER
The middle distance, past two village churches and the crossing at Cage Brook.



10 MILES · THE FULL CHALLENGE
CLEHONGER > MADLEY > EATON BISHOP > OLD CLEHONGER > CLEHONGER
Both churches plus Eaton Camp and Old Clehonger. Earn that burger.

START & FINISH
Seven Stars
Clehonger, HR2 9SL

ON THE DAY
Self-guided with maps and waymarkers.
Badge, refreshments and a BBQ at the finish.

SPONSORSHIP FORMS
Email for forms
madleydistrictrbli@gmail.com



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CHARITY NO. 219279

Positive Parenting Groups

Stronger Families, Brighter Futures

5 Week Course

Fear-Less
For parents of children aged 6-14 with anxiety

Weds 9th Sept 2026 Virtual 6pm-8pm
Weds 7th Oct 2026 Greencroft Children's Centre 10am-12pm
Weds 2nd Dec 2026 Greencroft Children's Centre 10am-12pm

5 Week Course

Standard
For parents of children aged 2-10

Weds 9th Sept 2026 Greencroft Children's Centre 1pm-3pm
Tues 3rd Nov 2026 Greencroft Children's Centre 10am-12pm

5 Week Course

Stepping Stones
For parents of children with additional needs

Weds 9th Sept 2026 Virtual 6pm-8pm
Weds 4th Nov 2026 Greencroft Children's Centre 1pm - 3pm

5 Week Course

Teen
For parents of children aged 10-14

Thurs 10th Sept 2026 Greencroft Children's Centre 10am-12pm
Tues 10th Nov 2026 Virtual 6pm-8pm

All sessions must be attended

If you'd like to attend please call, email or complete the referral form on the Council website (Search Triple P)
Families First Parenting Team 01432 260276
FFParenting@herefordshire.gov.uk

★ TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD CONFIDENCE, RESILIENCE AND STRONGER FAMILIES! ★

KINGSTONE & THRUXTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Join us for a cuppa, cake and a great cause!

Friday 25th September 2026

9:30am

Kingstone and Thruxton Primary School will be hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.



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STARS OF THE WEEK



YEAR 1:

Ellis - for always having his hand up and being enthusiastic about his learning.
Rosie - for fabulous phonics and English work this week.

YEAR 2:

Brody - For working really hard this week and always showing his best behaviour in class.
Emilia - For super work in English this week and showing her best listening in class.

YEAR 3:

Kacie - For being so helpful with classroom jobs and showing the school value of kindness.
Charles - For settling in so well to a new school and year group, and trying his best with all of his learning.

YEAR 4:

Daisy - For her excellent attitude to learning!
Archie - For always working to challenge himself!

YEAR 5:

Leo - for trying your best in all that you have done this week.
Arthur - for going above and beyond in all of your learning.

YEAR 6:

Darcie - always giving 100% and being a great role model
Betty - for her discussion on number families up to 8 digits.

SCHOOL VALUES CERTIFICATE

Theo - Year 6. Theo thank you for showing such wonderful kindness to all those around you. The care you show to staff and pupils alike is so appreciated and doesn't go unnoticed.



MRS PREECE'S SUPERSTAR AWARD

Louie W - Year 5. Louie, I have spotted you so many times this week, working hard and being an all-round brilliant role model. Thank you for being such a wonderful member of our school.





CLASS TROPHY: YEAR 6
INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

KARINA – YEAR 6



CLASS TROPHY: RECEPTION
INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

PHOEBE – YEAR 3
ELLIS – YEAR 1

you
ARE
awesome



CLASS TROPHY: RECEPTION
INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

ETHAN – YEAR 2