

## A note from the Head

Dear Parents / Carers

It has been lovely to be back for a full week, as last week everyone has come back with smiles and an enthusiasm for learning. Just a reminder we do offer a before school club from 8.00am should you need to use it, it would be great to have some more children in. You can book sessions on the Gateway.

We are hoping our roof will be fixed soon and we will have no more leaks! The children have been very sensible around the coned off area.

It has been nice to have a break from the rain, looking at the forecast it looks unlikely that we will get any snow next week, but our severe weather procedures are below just in case!

Have a lovely weekend



Mrs V Fenemore

### Severe Weather Guidelines

Wherever possible, the school will remain open during severe weather but our primary consideration is the safety of the children and staff. Heavy snowfall, or even icy roads, may mean that roads are impacted. It may also result in teachers not being able to get to school or are late.

In the event of severe weather, the school will take steps to determine the extent of the problem. If the situation seems to be deteriorating and causing potential problems, for children needing to travel some distance home, then steps will be taken to send those children home early.

**Please make sure you have plans in place to pick up your child from school as soon as you receive a text or email informing you if the school needs to close early due to poor weather conditions. Staff need to be able to travel home safely and can only do so once all pupils have been collected.**

**Please make sure that the school knows what your early closure contingency plan is, for example if a different adult may need to collect your child/ren in this situation.**

If there is any likelihood of severe weather, and you are not going to be at home, please ensure that the school knows who you wish them to contact should the children need to go home early by emailing or ringing the office. If you have any concerns, please ring the school office for advice.

In the event of it being necessary to close the school, every attempt will be made to notify parents via email, text message, the school website, the school Facebook page and you can also sign up for notification of school closures via this link [Devon County Council \(govdelivery.com\)](http://Devon County Council (govdelivery.com)).

# DIARY DATES

W/C 15TH JANUARY 2024



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|------------------------|--|
| Saturday 13th January  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ <i>Deadline for booking before school club and school meals for the w/c <b>22nd January</b></i></li></ul>  |
| Monday 15th January    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ <b>School door opens at 8:45am and will shut promptly at 8:55am so that children are in class ready to start their learning at 9am, <u>late arrivals will need to be signed in, in the admin office</u></b></li><li>◆ <b>Admin Team Training Day</b>—admin staff will be off site from 9.30am, emails will be checked periodically</li></ul> |
| Tuesday 16th January   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ <b>PE kit today: Class 1 &amp; Class 2</b></li></ul>   |
| Wednesday 17th January |  |
| Thursday 18th January  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ <b>PE kit today: Class 2</b></li></ul>   |
| Friday 19th January    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ <b>PE kit today: Class 1</b></li><li>◆ <b>Netball match at Winkleigh (Arrive at 1.15pm - Finishes at 3pm) Letters have been sent to those involved.</b></li></ul>  |
| Saturday 20th January  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ <i>Deadline for booking before school club and school meals for the w/c <b>29th January</b></i></li></ul>  |

Emails sent this week: Phonic, Reception & Yr 1, Spellings, Yrs 2,3,4,5,6, Parent Forum

# THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



## Preschool - Mrs Stapley

We have had an incredibly exciting week!

It all started when we discovered an egg! The egg then cracked and we have had lots of speculation about what could be inside!

The children have really embraced the start of our new topic 'The Dinosaur Days' and we are looking forward to all the different learning opportunities ahead.

The children have also been painting their self portraits and it has been a real joy to see the progress made from the paintings they produced in the Autumn term.

Have a wonderful weekend

The Preschool Team

Mrs Stapley and Tammie



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## Class 1 - Mrs Godly

It has been great to see all the children back in school after the Christmas holidays and we hope you all had a good break. Everybody has returned with excitement and have made a great start to the term.

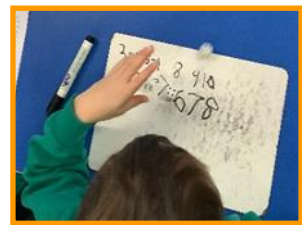
This week, Reception have been working with the book, We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen. They have made a physical map of the family's route and drawn a story map. They have discussed winter and the clothes we wear during this season and have thought about special or safe places that they like to go too. In Maths, they have been comparing and investigating numbers to 5 using more, less and the same amounts as each number.

In English, Years 1 and 2 have started learning about traditional tales using the story Little Red Riding Hood by Nosy Crow texts. They have sequenced the story, created their own story maps and have been using the story and characters to write their own statements and questions about it. In Maths, Year 1 have been learning and using their number bonds to 20 to help them with addition. Year 2 have been recapping 'groups of', 'lots of' and arrays as well as moving on to multiplication sentences using the x symbol.

In other lessons, the children have been making shapes with their bodies, learning about life processes and how we can tell if something is living or not and we visited St James's church to see some of the artefacts in there and think about why they are important to Christians.

A busy and tiring week, but lots of fun!

Well done, Class 1, have a good weekend.



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## Class 2 - Mr Saltearn

A busy week in Class 2 this week! I

In PE we have been practicing our flight using our new spring board and controlling our landings. We practiced our footwork leading up to take off and then landing on two feet and holding that position. The children really enjoyed the extra spring from the spring board.

In English, we have continued our sequence on Harry Potter and a History of magical objects and have started to construct an engaging introduction to our objects ready for when we create our own book. I

In Maths, Years 3 and 4 have been practicing multiplying and dividing larger numbers, using part whole models. In Year 5 and 6 we have been finishing our sequence on fractions and the children have been multiplying and dividing fractions by integers.

We started our sequence on Rivers in Geography and Years 3 and 4 learnt about the different features of a river and created their own diagram of a river labelling the different parts, while Years 5 and 6 are using an atlas to locate world famous rivers before creating a fact file on a river of their choosing. I

In Science we have been learning about circuits and the children learnt about scientific symbols for drawing circuits and then Years 3 and 4 identified the role of a switch in a circuit and experimented adding switches into a circuit. Years 5 and 6, identified issues with circuits before explaining how they would fix them.

Have a great weekend Class 2



# ADMISSIONS

STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPT 2024



Was your child born between  
**1st September 2019** and  
**31st August 2020?**

## How to Apply for a Primary School Place in Devon

You can apply online at  
**[www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline)**  
from 15th November 2023 to the 15th January 2024

If you cannot access the school  
admissions website you can get  
more information by calling our  
Education Helpline on

**0345 155 1019**  
or email: [admissions@devon.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@devon.gov.uk)



Even if you have already given  
details to a primary school, you  
must apply for a place through the  
Admissions Team. This is the only  
way to apply; other forms or lists  
held by schools will not count.

Devon  
County Council

# CENSUS DAY SPECIAL

THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY 2024



Contact [admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk) if you missed the chance to book on the gateway!

**SOUTH WEST  
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# Space Explorers

**Census Day**  
**January 18th 2024**

**"Moon Crater" Pizza**  
Pepperoni Pizza or Margherita Pizza

Served with  
**Skinny Fries & Cucumber Sticks**

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**"Asteroid" Krispie Cake**

# AUTUMN/WINTER MENU



## Week One

|                    | Monday   | Tuesday                       | Wednesday                                   | Thursday                                   | Friday  |
|--------------------|--|-------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Option 1           | Focaccia Margherita  | Chicken Katsu Curry & Rice    | Roast Gammon Steak & Pineapple              | Meatballs in a Ragu sauce                  | Fish Fingers                                    |
| Option 2 (v)       | Veggie Bean Wrap   | Cheese & Potato Pie           | Vegetarian Plait                            | Veggie Balls in a Ragu Sauce               | Veggie Nuggets                                  |
| Sides              | Herby Diced Potato<br>Coleslaw<br>or Sweetcorn   | Peas<br>Baked Beans           | Roast Potato<br>Broccoli & Carrots<br>Gravy | Spaghetti<br>Green beans<br>& Crusty bread | Chips or Wholemeal Pasta<br>Peas or Baked Beans |
| And for pudding    | Pancakes with<br>Banana & Honey  | Chocolate Surprise<br>Brownie | Oat and Sultana<br>Cookie                   | Apple Crumble<br>& Custard                 | Pip Organic Lollies                             |
| Jacket Potato      | Cheese, Beans or Tuna  | Cheese, Beans or Tuna         | Cheese, Beans or Tuna                       | Cheese, Beans or Tuna                      | Cheese, Beans or Tuna                           |
| Available each day | Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative. |                               |   |  |   |
| Week starting:     | 30/10/23; 20/11/23; 11/12/23; 08/01/24; 29/01/24; 26/02/24; 18/03/24   |                               |   |  |   |

## Week Two

|                    | Monday   | Tuesday                        | Wednesday                                      | Thursday                                     | Friday   |
|--------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Option 1           | Macaroni Cheese  | Butchers Sausages<br>& Gravy   | Roast Chicken with Sage<br>and Onion Stuffing  | Beef Lasagne                                 | Filet of Fish                                      |
| Option 2 (v)       | Tomato & Basil<br>Pasta Bake   | Vegetarian Sausages<br>& Gravy | Yorkshire Pudding Stuffed<br>with Quorn Pieces | Vegetarian Lasagne                           | Cheese Omelet                                      |
| Sides              | Broccoli<br>& Garlic Bread   | Creamed Potatoes<br>& Carrots  | Roast Potato<br>Broccoli & Carrots<br>Gravy    | Coleslaw<br>or Green Beans<br>& Crusty bread | Chips or<br>Wholemeal Pasta<br>Peas or Baked Beans |
| And for pudding    | Crispy Chocolate<br>Cornflake Cake   | Peach Sponge<br>& Custard      | Arctic roll                                    | Shortbread Biscuit &<br>Fresh Fruit salad    | Pip Organic Lollies                                |
| Jacket Potato      | Cheese, Beans or Tuna  | Cheese, Beans or Tuna          | Cheese, Beans or Tuna                          | Cheese, Beans or Tuna                        | Cheese, Beans or Tuna                              |
| Available each day | Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative. |                                |  |  |  |
| Week starting:     | 06/11/23; 27/11/23; 18/12/2023; 15/01/24; 05/02/24; 04/03/24; 25/03/24   |                                |  |  |  |

## Week Three

|                    | Monday   | Tuesday                            | Wednesday                                   | Thursday                                     | Friday   |
|--------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Option 1           | Cheese & Tomato<br>Pizza Pocket  | Fish Pie                           | Roast Pork & Apple Sauce                    | Beef Bolognese                               | Jumbo Fish Finger                                  |
| Option 2 (v)       | Vegetable Fajita   | Cheese Wheels &<br>Wholemeal Pasta | Quorn and Leek<br>Pastry Puff               | Mediterranean<br>Vegetable Bolognese         | Veggie Fingers                                     |
| Sides              | Potato Wedges<br>Sweetcorn or<br>Winter Coleslaw   | Peas<br>Baked Beans                | Roast Potato<br>Broccoli & Carrots<br>Gravy | Penne Pasta<br>Green beans<br>& Crusty bread | Chips or<br>Wholemeal Pasta<br>Peas or Baked Beans |
| And for pudding    | Strawberry Mousse  | Sticky Toffee Cake<br>& Sauce      | Fruit Jelly                                 | Chocolate Crunch<br>& Chocolate Sauce        | Pip Organic Lollies                                |
| Jacket Potato      | Cheese, Beans or Tuna  | Cheese, Beans or Tuna              | Cheese, Beans or Tuna                       | Cheese, Beans or Tuna                        | Cheese, Beans or Tuna                              |
| Available each day | Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative. |                                    |   |  |  |
| Week starting:     | 13/11/23; 04/12/23; 01/01/24; 22/01/24; 19/02/24; 11/03/24   |                                    |   |  |  |



# ATTENDANCE



UK Health  
Security  
Agency



## Should I keep my **child off school?**

### Yes

#### Until...

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Chickenpox                                     | at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over  |
| Diarrhoea and Vomiting                         | 48 hours after their last episode  |
| Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19) | they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19. |
| Impetigo                                       | their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics  |
| Measles  | 4 days after the rash first appeared   |
| Mumps  | 5 days after the swelling started  |
| Scabies  | they've had their first treatment  |
| Scarlet Fever                                  | 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics   |
| Whooping Cough                                 | 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics   |

### No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

|                      |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
| Head lice            | Tonsillitis     |
| Threadworms          | Slapped cheek   |



#### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfoc>.



Families with children in Class 1 who are eligible are encouraged to apply as the funding is in addition to Universal Free School Meals!

If your circumstances have changed and you are now in receipt of one or more of the following:

- Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7400 or less)
- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

You may be eligible for pupil premium funding for Kings Nympton Primary School, which entitles your child/ren to receive Free School Meals.

It takes less than a minute to apply.

Visit the Citizen Portal Devon

[https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCsCitizenPortal\\_LIVE](https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCsCitizenPortal_LIVE)

or call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

If eligible, please send a screenshot of your confirmation to [admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk)