



# Weekly newsletter

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## Executive Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

After such a busy and buzzing week last week, it's been nice to enjoy a slightly quieter pace around school this week. That said, there's never a dull moment!

As always, the children have shown fantastic focus and effort in their learning – we're so proud of their determination and enthusiasm. Whether in the classroom or the great outdoors, they continue to amaze us with their curiosity, creativity, and care for one another.

On Friday, the school turned a cheerful shade of green for 'Just One Tree' Day. It was lovely to see so many children (and staff!) embracing the theme! The day served as a gentle reminder of the importance of inclusion, kindness, and caring for our environment.

We look forward to seeing you all next week for our final few days before half term!

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards

Mrs V Fenemore

# Promotional video

Please share the marketing video, celebrating everything we love about Kings Nympton Primary School, far and wide!

We are grateful to Mr Pailthorpe for his time and dedication in creating the amazing video. Thank you Martin.



<https://www.facebook.com/reel/1875897146327106>

# Diary dates

## Upcoming week

Week beginning: 20.10.25

### Weekly deadlines

- Lunch deadline – midnight the day before
- All sorts – 8.30am the same day
- Early birds – 3pm the day before
- Gate opens 08.45-08.55 each day.

Email [admin@kingsnypton.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kingsnypton.devon.sch.uk) to make changes.

### Monday

- Mr Slocombe on site
- Gardening club 3.30pm-5pm

### Tuesday

- Mrs Fenemore/Mr Slocombe on site
- Class 1 & Class 2 PE kit
- Harvest Church service 9.30am start – St James the Apostle Church

### Wednesday

- Mrs Rowcliffe on site

### Thursday

- Class 2 PE kit
- Mrs Stapley on site
- Admin team training day, no admin staff in school, emails will be checked periodically.
- Pre-school and Class 1 Scribbleton Visit

### Friday

- Mr Slocombe on site

# Diary dates

## This half term

*These dates are provisional and subject to change.*

### Upcoming events

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| Wb<br>03.11.25 | <p>04.11.25 Toddlers</p> <p>04.11.25 GRAND OPENING of UNDER 2s PROVISION (details to follow)</p> <p>05.11.25 Class 2 Exeter Trip (Drop (8.30-8.45am) and collect (4pm) Eggesford station)</p> <p>06.11.25 Parent Forum</p> <p>06.11.25 History subject day</p> <p>07.11. 25 Start of Remembrance Art Exhibition (running until Nov 14<sup>th</sup>)</p> |
| Wb<br>10.11.25 | <p>12.11.25 Skateboarding workshops</p> <p>14.11.25 Virtual book fair begins</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Wb<br>17.11.25 | <p>17.11.25 M&amp;M Productions – Snow White at Winkleigh</p> <p>18.11.25 Winkleigh KS1 to visit Kings Nympton – sporting event</p> <p><b>18.11.25 Parent's evening – postponed from before half term</b></p>                                                                                                                                           |
| Wb<br>24.11.25 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Wb<br>01.12.25 | <p>01.12.25 Class 2 Chocolate workshop at Winkleigh with Year 4</p> <p>02.12.25 Toddlers</p> <p>04.12.25 Christmas family breakfast and open morning</p> <p>04.12.25 Pre-school Christmas crafts stay and play</p> <p>05.12.25 Santa run</p>                                                                                                            |

Separate Christmas flier to follow with December events.



# Trips & Activities

## Whole School Forest School – 10.10.25



# Class news

## Pre-school – Mrs Stapley

Dear families,

This week we've been exploring more about autumn and learning all about farms and harvest time! The children have been discovering where our food comes from, what happens on a farm, and how the changing season brings new sights, smells, and colours.

We have been looking closely at leaves and discussed the different shapes, sizes and colours we could see. We've been singing "Old MacDonald Had a Farm" every day! The children loved making the animal sounds and taking turns to choose which animal came next.

Maybe over the weekend sing 'Old MacDonald Had a Farm' together and see how many different animals your children can include in the song!

Have a wonderful weekend.

The Preschool Team





# Class news

## Class 1 – Mrs Betts

This week in Curious Quest, we have been reading 'The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark' by Jill Tomlinson. The children have been inventing a nocturnal character, creating a setting, and thinking about all the good things there are about the dark.

In reception, the children have now learnt, 'h, b, l, and f' and their new tricky word 'the'. They have also begun to write words such as 'dog, ten, red and mum'.

In maths, we have been learning about doubles and how these can help us calculate near doubles.

In reception, the children have been learning about patterns in numbers such as 1 more and 1 less using rhymes and stories.

In geography, we have been mapping the school using compasses. We have learnt mnemonics to help us remember our north, south, east and west. ***I wonder if you can remember what we say to help us remember the order of North, East, South, West?***

In science, we have been learning about different habitats. This week we learnt about arctic animals and how they have adapted and why they are suited to their environment. ***I wonder why a polar bear is suited to the arctic habitat?***

On Tuesday at 9:30 am, there is a Harvest Service at the church where the children will be performing. If you are able, please send in donations for the harvest food bank collection.

We hope to see you there!

Have a super weekend!

Mrs Betts, Mrs Blacker and Mrs Slade



# Class news

## Class 2 – Mrs Miali

Our first full week in school for a while and it was just as enjoyable as the weeks we have been out on trips.

We started Monday delving into poetry, looking at kenning style poems. The class were quick to identify them in the Otter poem from *The Lost Words* and together created some superb kennings of their own about the otter. In the following lesson the children each chose an animal from British wildlife and using the previous weeks learning on synonyms, created a word bank of adjectives and interesting vocabulary about their animal. From this, they created their own kenning poems.

In maths, the children are looking at the method of column addition and subtraction. Next week they will use their learnt techniques to do inverse operations and estimate answers and then they will have completed the unit.

It was performance week in music and the children had a last practice with the instruments, for the sound effects they had created for their comic strips, before performing them for each other in class. They then had some time to work in small groups and create a theme tune for one of their comics.

The children have been sharing their PSHE knowledge, of how to work collaboratively, with class 1 in gymnastics. They are working together to perform their best jumping and balancing skills in a routine, ready to be filmed next week.

We are at the church for our Harvest festival on Tuesday morning. Please send in donations on Monday and Tuesday for our class food bank. This will be presented at the service and we hope to see you there at 9:30am. It is also class 2's turn to hold the cake sale on Thursday. Please send in your bakes Thursday morning, ready to be sold after school.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Miali

