

A note from the Head

Dear Parents / Carers

Class 2 enjoyed an exciting maths morning yesterday with Mr Davis, who is our Federation maths lead.

Mr Davis was impressed with the children's knowledge and application of maths. Well done Class 2.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have paid their Skern Lodge payments, unfortunately if we do not receive full payment by the end of February we will have to remove children from the trip as the final payment to Skern by the school is due and we have no additional funds to cover this.

Mrs Rowcliffe and Mr Davis have also been busy finalising the London trip, we have confirmed: Tower of London, River Cruise, London Eye, Lion King and Harry Potter World, Pizza Express and Frankie & Benny's. We are still waiting to hear back from Parliament as unfortunately the lines opened on Wednesday and were then subsequently jammed! Please could we ask that the payments are up to date, as with Skern we will soon be making large payments and have no additional funds to cover this.

More details regarding the Year 3 camping residential and the Year 4 Escot residential will be coming out after half term.

We have been asked by the parish council to politely remind parents and carers to drive slowly through the village especially at drop off and pick up times. Thank you.

Please remember to send your 'Items for discussion' for the Parent Forum in to school for the extended deadline of Monday 5th February.

Have a lovely weekend



Mrs V Fenemore

DIARY DATES

W/C 5TH FEBRUARY 2024



Saturday 3rd February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ <i>Deadline for booking before school club and school meals for the w/c 12th February</i>
Monday 5th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ 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>
Tuesday 6th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Rock & Rapids - Whole school trip◆ PE kit - WHOLE SCHOOL
Wednesday 7th February	
Thursday 8th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Parent Forum - 9am - 10am◆ PE kit today: Class 2
Friday 9th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ PE kit today: Class 1
Saturday 10th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ <i>Deadline for booking before school club and school meals for the w/c 19th February</i>

Emails sent this week: Rock & Rapids consent and waiver, Reception Phonics, Year 1 Phonics, Year 2 Spellings, Rock & Rapids—Whole School Trip, Payment Reminder—Skern Lodge, Payment Reminder London Residential

THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



Preschool - Mrs Stapley

Another super busy week in the Preschool.

The children have been making their own musical shakers, cutting out different sized dinosaurs and they enjoyed measuring the lengths of dinosaur footprints.

Our role-play area has now been adapted into a 'vets' and the children have played beautifully, we certainly have children that know how to look after and care for animals, defiantly some future vets!

We have made the most of the dry weather by exploring outside at any opportunity.

This week we have particularly enjoyed the text *'How to look after your dinosaur'* by Jason Cockcroft'. Below is a rhyme we have had fun performing this week, we are sure the children will enjoy showing you the actions for this; especially the stomping!

Have a wonderful weekend.

The Preschool Team

Dinosaur Dinosaur

Dinosaur, dinosaur, turn around!
Dinosaur, dinosaur, stomp the ground!
Dinosaur, dinosaur, make some claws!
Dinosaur, dinosaur, ROARS!
Dinosaur, dinosaur, big and tall!
Dinosaur, dinosaur, scary and small!
Dinosaur, dinosaur, shake the ground!
Dinosaur, dinosaur, sit back down!



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Class 1 - Mrs Blacker

This week, Reception have been concentrating on how to write some of the tricky words they have learnt in phonics, and how to write the digraphs and trigraphs they have learnt so far. They have listened to the story '*Raindrops to Rainbows*' by *John Micklos Jr* and learnt the order of the colours of the rainbow. They have also enjoyed listening to the Year 1 and Year 2 books and joining in with learning the text by using actions.

In maths they have been looking at numbers 6,7 and 8. They have been practising how to write these numbers, looking at various pictorial representations of the numbers, matching these to the numeral, and making garages for 6,7,and 8 cars.

Years 1 and 2 have started work on their new book, '*On the Road*' by *Susan Steggall*. We have discussed using prepositions to describe a journey and they have made their own glossary of prepositions. They enjoyed working with Reception to learn the story using a story map, and have looked closely at the pictures in the book to see what is going on and what they could infer from them.

In Maths, Year 1 have been exploring addition and subtraction fact families using counters, ten frames and part whole models. They have also been comparing addition and subtraction calculations using inequality symbols. Year 2 have been looking at odd and even numbers and what happens if we add two odd numbers, or an odd and an even number. They have also been learning to divide by 5 and 10 using practical resources, recognising that using their 5 and 10 times tables can help them.

In Geography they have learnt the points of a compass and how it can help find the way on a map,. They evaluated their collage pictures in art, choosing their favourite, and suggested improvements which could be made.

In Science, they have used their knowledge of microhabitats and mini-beasts to design their own room for a bug hotel.

The sound of recorders playing is improving as the children learn to cover the hole correctly when playing their notes.

In ICT we had fun making digital music to represent their chosen animal.

The children are still excited to get Dojo points every day if they have read at home.

A fantastic week Class 1.

Well done!



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Class 2 - Mrs Godly

This week, in English, the children have been continuing their sequence of learning based on *The Firebird* by Saviour Pirotta. They have been thinking about the repeated patterns in the text, adverbials of time, how to use pronouns and synonyms to improve cohesion and how to develop their techniques of building tension and suspense in their writing.

In Maths, Years 3 and 4 have been concentrating on finding perimeters of rectilinear shapes and Years 5 and 6 have been multiplying and dividing decimals by integers, solving problems using these calculations as well as starting a unit of work on percentages.

Other activities have included discussing how to be safe around electricity, making a river of their own, finding the path of the River Mole, learning to play another note on a Ukulele and starting to make their designs for their sculptures in Art.

Well done Class 2 and I hope you all have a great weekend.



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 Coleslaw or Sweetcorn	Peas Baked Beans	Roast Potato Broccoli & Carrots Gravy	Spaghetti Green beans & Crusty bread	Chips or Wholemeal Pasta Peas or Baked Beans
And for pudding	Pancakes with Banana & Honey	Chocolate Surprise Brownie	Oat and Sultana Cookie	Apple Crumble & 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 & Gravy	Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing	Beef Lasagne	Filet of Fish
Option 2 (v)	Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake	Vegetarian Sausages & Gravy	Yorkshire Pudding Stuffed with Quorn Pieces	Vegetarian Lasagne	Cheese Omelet
Sides	Broccoli & Garlic Bread	Creamed Potatoes & Carrots	Roast Potato Broccoli & Carrots Gravy	Coleslaw or Green Beans & Crusty bread	Chips or Wholemeal Pasta Peas or Baked Beans
And for pudding	Crispy Chocolate Cornflake Cake	Peach Sponge & Custard	Arctic roll	Shortbread Biscuit & 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 Pizza Pocket	Fish Pie	Roast Pork & Apple Sauce	Beef Bolognese	Jumbo Fish Finger
Option 2 (v)	Vegetable Fajita	Cheese Wheels & Wholemeal Pasta	Quorn and Leek Pastry Puff	Mediterranean Vegetable Bolognese	Veggie Fingers
Sides	Potato Wedges Sweetcorn or Winter Coleslaw	Peas Baked Beans	Roast Potato Broccoli & Carrots Gravy	Penne Pasta Green beans & Crusty bread	Chips or Wholemeal Pasta Peas or Baked Beans
And for pudding	Strawberry Mousse	Sticky Toffee Cake & Sauce	Fruit Jelly	Chocolate Crunch & 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
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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/minfec>.



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

or call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

If eligible, please send a screenshot of your confirmation to admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk