



Weekly newsletter

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Friday 28th November 2025



Executive Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

Children in Years 2 and above have been working hard on their termly assessments this week. Teachers use this information to measure progress and inform reports which will be issued in the final week of this term.

On Wednesday, we welcomed an advisor from the Cornerstones English hub. He spent time visiting classes and discussing our approach to the teaching of reading. He was very impressed with the high quality of the learning environments and purposeful nature of classrooms.

It was a pleasure to meet with councillor Ed Tyldesley today. We are very grateful to Ed for the support provided with the landscaping and renovations of our garden area! Thank you once again to everyone involved with this project, it is a truly wonderful area for our children to learn more about nature. It was lovely to be able to show Ed around the rest of the school and showcase our fantastic team and approach. We are very proud of the educational offer at Kings Nympton.

On that note, please do spread the word about our upcoming open morning on Saturday 10th January. We are delighted to see our school community growing.

Class 2 have an exciting day ahead on Monday, taking part in the Chocolate workshop with peers from Winkleigh. Thank you for your continued support in enabling our children to access these fantastic enrichment opportunities.

Just a quick reminder that the deadline for booking Christmas Dinner is next Wednesday (03rd December).

Have a lovely weekend and we are looking forward to the festivities beginning next week with family breakfast, pre-school stay and play and our annual Santa run!

Kind regards

Mrs V Fenemore

Diary dates

Upcoming week

Week beginning: 01.12.25

Weekly deadlines

- Lunch deadline – midnight the day before
- Email admin regarding wrap-around care
- Gate opens 08.45-08.55 each day.

Email admin@kingsnypton.devon.sch.uk to make changes.

Monday

- Class 1 PE Kit
- Class 2 at Winkleigh – Chocolate Workshop
- Mr Slocombe on site
- Gardening club 3.30pm-5pm

Tuesday

- Mr Slocombe on site
- Toddlers

Wednesday

- Mrs Rowcliffe on site
- Deadline for Christmas Dinner booking

Thursday

- Class 1 & 2 PE kit
- Mrs Stapley/Mrs Fenemore/Mr Slocombe on site
- Family breakfast & open morning
- Pre-school stay and play with Clive Pig Storyteller

Friday

- Santa Run



Diary dates

This half term

These dates are provisional and subject to change.

Upcoming events – Spring Term 2026

Wb 05.01.26	05.01.26 Welcome Back to School 10.01.26 10-11.30am Open morning
Wb 12.01.26	16.01.26 Grandparent's Lunch
Wb 19.01.26	22.01.26 Whole Federation science day (coach travel)
Wb 26.01.26	
Wb 02.02.26	06.06.26 Whole Federation Art day with EmmyLou (Drop off & Collect at Winkleigh) 06.02.26 Staff Cake Sale
Wb 09.02.26	10.02.26 Online safety day 12.02.26 Family breakfast & Pre-school stay and play 13.02.26 Art Exhibiton in St James' Church begins



Christmas

at Kings Nympton Primary School

Details will follow



Thursday 4th December

Christmas family
breakfast & Christmas
classrooms open morning
8.45am



Gateway
payment

Thursday 4th December

Pre-school Christmas stay
and play
9am



Cash
payment

Friday 5th December

Santa Run
£2 to enter



Gateway
payment

Tuesday 9th December

Christmas Dinner &
Christmas Jumpers



Gateway
payment

Thursday 11th December

Carol Singing outside The
Grove Inn



Monday 15th December – Thursday 18th December

Christmas jumpers every
day



Monday 15th December

Christmas games & raffle



Payment
details overleaf

Tuesday 16th December

Christmas Performance
2pm – Village Hall
Refreshments
Snowmen at Sunset



Wednesday 17th December

Carol Service – 9.30am –
St James Church

All welcome



Thursday 18th December

Class Christmas Parties

Each child to bring a small
plate of food to share



From **1st December** – Christmas Postbox





Christmas

at Kings Nympton Primary School

FOKNs Christmas Raffle & Grand Prize Draw

We've had a fantastic response to our letters and have already received an amazing selection of prizes; from tickets for fun days out to vouchers!

Entry Details

£2 per entry, you can buy as many entries as you like.

Prizes will be numbered. We will draw a name entry out of the hat, then draw a prize number, and match the winner to a numbered prize.

We will hold the prize draw on Saturday the 20th. Winners will be contacted by email after the draw and invited to collect their prize from the church warden or the pub.

Cash payment required please.

Christmas Games at Winkleigh

Working collaboratively in D&T lessons this term, Year 5 and 6 will devise, create, set up and run games for all the children in the federation to enjoy.

This will be a "pay to play" fundraising and enterprise event for Years 5 and 6. Children can bring up to (but no more than) £3.50 in to school with them on this day to take part.

Children will need to be dropped and collected from Winkleigh on this date.

All monies raised go back towards whole federation fundraising.

Christmas Dinner

Turkey or Vegetarian Roast

Served with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Stuffing, Pig in Blanket, Gravy

Ice Cream and Biscuit

KS1: Free (50p donation gratefully received if possible) / KS2: £3

Christmas art competition

Enter by
Wednesday 15th December
1 A4 page per entry.

50p per entry

Judging categories:

Nursery & Reception
Key Stage 1
Key Stage 2



Open Morning

For prospective families!



Come and see our amazing environment and meet the senior leadership team!
Learn more about our approach, curriculum and enrichment.

**Places available for
9 months – 11 years**

We can't wait to meet you!

Saturday 10th January 2026

10-11.30am

If you cannot make this date, we are very happy to offer bespoke tours at any time, please contact admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk to book!

Class news

Pre-school – Mrs Stapley

Dear families,

This week the children have been enjoying activities inspired by the much loved story 'The Selfish Crocodile' by Faustin Charles and Michael Terry.

The book has given us a wonderful opportunity to explore themes of kindness, friendship, sharing, and helping others.

We read the story together and talked about how the crocodile learns an important lesson including:

- Everyone needs help sometimes
- Kindness makes us feel good
- Sharing helps us build friendships

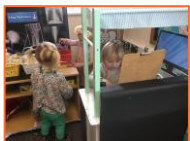


The children have also enjoyed creating their own crocodiles using different textured materials.



Have a wonderful weekend.

The Preschool Team.



Class news

Class 1 – Mrs Betts

Well done to Year 2 for completing their quizzes this week!

Unfortunately, we have no magic portal in Class 1 so no curious quest this week. Therefore, Reception and Year 1 have been enjoying drawing club together and re-imagining 'The Selfish Crocodile' by Faustin Charles. We've created selfish creatures who are unable to share, and had some wonderful adventures with animals hatching from the selfish crocodiles 'bad tooth'.

In other subjects, the children have been enjoying DT in the afternoons and have been recognising and naming the parts of their bodies. They have begun learning about how their individual body parts work together.

Next Friday it's our Santa Run! So please bring your trainers, dress up if you'd like to, and join in the festive fun. The more the merrier!

Have a great weekend!

The Class One Team.



Class news

Class 2 – Mrs Miali

This week has been a slightly slower pace in comparison to the last few and the children have continued to work really well. They have remained positive throughout their testing and tried their best in all the questions. They have shown determination and taken their time to check their answers thoroughly. Well done class 2.

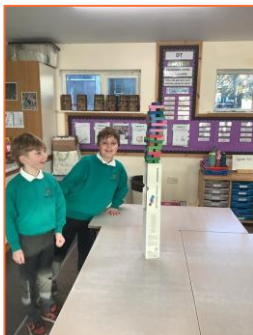
In the afternoons, the children have enjoyed a variety of practical activities. They have worked well on their D&T projects, with Mrs Blacker, and other craft activities. They have also dissected a flower in science and looked at the metamorphosis of a butterfly. For ICT they spent time exploring and creating audio programs.

The children have been practicing the Christmas play and been given their lines for their parts. Please help them to learn and practice these at home. There will also be information on costumes coming out soon too.

Next week, we have the chocolate workshop to look forward to at the start of the week, as well as the family breakfast towards the end and don't forget to join us for the Santa Run on Friday afternoon!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Miali



Admissions

Apply for a primary school place

Was your child born
between 1 September 2021
and 31 August 2022?



Apply online at:

devon.cc/admissionsonline

or scan the QR code. Applications open from
15 November 2025 to the **15 January 2026**

If you can't access the school
admissions website you can get
more information by emailing
admissions@devon.gov.uk or
call our Education Helpline on:

0345 155 1019



You must apply through the Admissions
Team, even if you've already given details
to a school. Applications made directly to
schools or on their lists will not be accepted.

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