

A note from the Head

Dear Parents / Carers

It is lovely to see the new netball hoops being used, thank you to Mrs Miali for putting them up.

Mrs Moyies has sent out a questionnaire to see if parents want an afterschool club and what they would like. Please respond to the questionnaire as our wonderful Friends of Kings Nympton School have offered to fund an after school club, for which we are very grateful. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

Devon County Council has issued all maintained schools with a new attendance policy this term. Attendance is a very high priority nationally and it is important that children attend school regularly. The new policy can be found on the website. There are some key changes that I would like to make you aware of:-

- ◆ Children will be given a late mark if they arrive at school after 9:00am
- ◆ Children arriving after 9:15am when the register has closed will be given an unauthorised mark for the morning session
- ◆ All holiday requests totalling 10 sessions or more (5 days) have to be reported to Devon County Council and a fixed penalty notice will be issued by the local authority. This is £60 per parent, per child.
- ◆ Parents of children whose attendance drops below 93% will be invited in for a meeting and an attendance support plan will be drawn up
- ◆ As a Federation we will only be allowing children whose attendance is consistent and above 93% to attend in-school extra-curricular activities, such as sporting events and festivals. This is due to the fact that the learning missed will need to be caught up

These changes have to be enforced by schools to comply with Devon County Council's Code of Conduct.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs V Fenemore



ATTENDANCE

FLOW CHART



In line with Government Guidance, all absence requests will only be authorised at the discretion of the Executive Headteacher with evidence of EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

Staff Responsibilities

Admin Team

- Managing registers and daily absence/lateness.
- First Day Calling.
- Forward attendance concerns/patterns to Headteacher.
- Any issues of non-compliance of this escalation process to be referred to Headteacher.
- Send Attendance Letters

Teachers

- Keep registers in line with Statutory and Safeguarding requirements.
- Follow up/ investigate absence promptly with students
- Inform Admin of any attendance concerns.
- Headteacher to liaise with families in addressing barriers to attendance.
- Be aware of vulnerable students.

Headteacher/ Attendance Lead

- Ensure Escalation Process consistently followed with discretion when appropriate.
- Responsible for School Attendance Data and meeting Attendance Targets.
- To monitor and support attendance of Vulnerable Students.

Intervention

Good attendance.
No concern.

Following initial attendance concerns

- Letter 1 to be issued. Families to be spoken to by teacher/ Headteacher.
- Attendance Lead to record meeting has taken place

Following letter 1 and continuing concerns over attendance

- Headteacher to request letter 2 to be sent (arrange meeting with parents/carers)
- Headteacher to complete action plan/ discuss with family and agree review date.

Following review date and continuing attendance concerns

- Headteacher request letter 3
 - Headteacher to refer to EWO
- EWO to consider:
- General attendance meeting
 - Legal meeting
- Possible legal action
- Penalty notice
 - Court proceedings

97%-
100%

97%-
93%

AMBER
Below
93%

RED
Below
90%

If a child has 10 sessions or more, unauthorised absences, for example a holiday- Letter 4. Further absences will result in letter 5 and possible penalty notice.

DIARY DATES

W/C 25TH SEPTEMBER 2023



Saturday 23rd September	♦ Deadline for booking school meals and before school club on the Gateway for w/c 3rd Oct
Monday 25th September	♦ PE lesson: Class Two
Tuesday 26th September	♦ PE lessons: Class One
Wednesday 27th September	♦ Preschool - STAY & PLAY 9AM—11:30AM
Thursday 28th September	♦ PE lessons: Class Two
Friday 29th September	♦ Forest School - Class One
Saturday 30th September	♦ Booking school meals and before school club on the Gateway W/C 10th October

Emails sent this week: Spellings Class 1 & 2, Class 1 Bear Town Visit, Afterschool club questionnaire, Skern Lodge

LITTLE WOODLANDS

NEWS FROM THE PRESCHOOL



Preschool

What a super week despite the downpours!

We have enjoyed the story 'Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell. This has included making our own owls, retelling and story, making owl puppets and exploring different natural materials to create our own owls with the play dough. Next week are going to be learning more about Owls. Maybe over the weekend ask your children to tell you the story of Owl babies- I think you will be impressed with how beautifully they retell the story.

Don't forget stay and play on Wednesday!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Stapley and the Preschool team



THE LEARNING ZONE



SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Class 1

Even though the weather has not been too great this week, we have been working hard in the classroom and it is a real pleasure to see our class numbers grow! Reception have been learning to say, read and write the next few phonemes they must learn. They have listened and discussed the story of Dogger, described their favourite toys and have been talking and thinking about what makes them special. In maths activities, they have been finding pairs of objects and looking at matching things.

In English, Years 1 and 2 have been acting out the story of Oi Frog!, thinking about how the characters might be feeling, writing short letters to the cat and even researching and writing information pages about frogs. In Maths, Year 1 have been comparing numbers using inequality signs and Year 2 have been ordering numbers to one hundred and counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s. Other lessons have included finding out about seasons, sketching a tiger in the style of Henri Rousseau's painting- Tiger in a Tropical Storm and testing materials to see which would be the best to mend my umbrella with.

Last week we had our first Forest School day. Everyone loved it and I know we have been looking forward to today's Forest School.

Well done Class 1, have a great weekend.



Mrs Godly



THE LEARNING ZONE

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Class 2

Another busy week in Class 2!

This week we have welcomed Euan into Class and the children have been extremely welcoming.

In English this week we have continued our book Mechanimals and the children have designed and labelled their own Mechanimal that they will use to create their own story next week. Year 5 and 6 have been learning about using brackets for parenthesis, while Year 3 and 4 have been learning about prepositions and used images from the book to write sentences about where the animal had been placed outside using a prepositions.

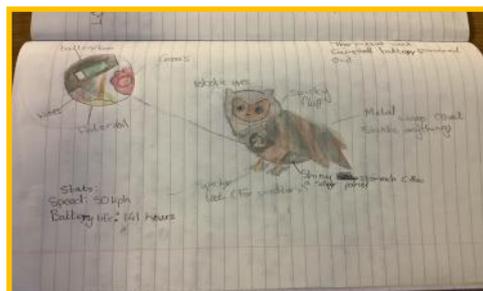
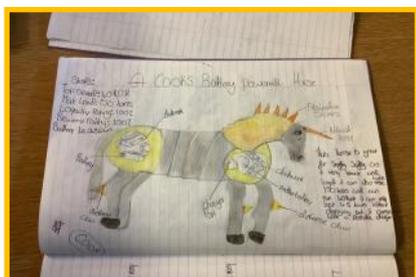
In Maths, this week Year 5 and 6 have concluded their sequence on Place value and have started to learn about the four operations. The children have been working hard this week, with some challenging questions. Year 3 and 4 have been using Place value counters to create numbers and find 1, 10, 100 and 1000 more or less. I accidentally dropped all the counters and the children had to find the correct value counters to build their number. Its safe to say that they enjoyed spilling the counters more than picking them up.

In Science Year 5 and 6 created their own parachute to bring their egg to the ground safely. The children evaluated their parachutes and wrote a conclusion to why it worked or didn't work. Year 3 and 4 have been testing different materials to see if they are magnetic or not.

We have managed to avoid the rain this week, please remember to bring a coat, the Devon weather can change very quickly.

Have a great weekend, Class 2.

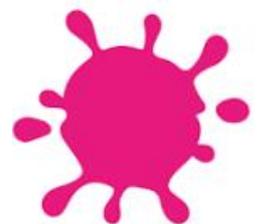
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PRESCHOOL NEWS



EVERY 4TH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH, TERM TIME FROM 9AM -11:30AM
A friendly session for babies, toddlers and their parents/carers, £1 per family.
All welcome



SPRING/SUMMER MENU

5TH SEPTEMBER 2023 TO 20TH OCTOBER 2023



Week One

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Freshly Prepared Margarita Pizza	The Norse Beef Burger in a Bap with Homemade Salsa	Roast Chicken with Stuffing	Freshly Prepared Beef Bolognaise	Battered Fish Fillet
Option 2 (v)	Quorn Burger in a Bap with Relish	Quorn Hot Dog in roll with Relish	Freshly Prepared Vegetable Lentil Loaf	Mediterranean Vegetable Bolognaise	Vegetable Fingers
Sides	Baked Beans Herby Diced Potatoes	Sweetcorn, Jacket Potato Wedges	Fresh Carrots Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Peas Wholewheat Spaghetti & Crusty Bread	Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
And for pudding	Flapplejack	Apple & Cinnamon Muffin	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Chocolate Surprise Brownie	Homemade Custard Biscuit
Packed lunch	Falafel, Spinach & Mango Chutney in a Wrap	Mini Ploughman's	Tuna Mayo & Cucumber Wrap	Cheese Sandwich	Ham Baguette
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives				
Week starting:	17/04/23—08/05/23— 05/06/23—26/06/23— 17/07/23— 18/09/23— 09/10/23				

Week Two

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Freshly Prepared Mac & Cheese	BBQ Chicken & Rice	Honey Roast Gammon & Pineapple	Norse's Butchers Sausages	Fishtastic Wrap
Option 2 (v)	Freshly Prepared Roasted Vegetables Pasta Bake	Homity Pie	Homemade Cheese & Leek Parcels	Vegetarian Sausages	Halloumi Pizziola
Sides	Peas	New Potatoes & Corn on the cob	Fresh Carrots Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Baked Beans, Tomatoes & Hash Browns	Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
And for pudding	Honey Pancakes	Summer Fruit Salad (Apple, Melon, Banana)	Gelato (Arctic Roll)	Chocolate Mousse	Organic Pip Ice Lolly
Packed lunch	Egg Mayo & Cress Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Fish Finger Roll	BBQ Jackfruit & Lettuce Wrap	Ham Sandwich
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives				
Week starting:	24/04/23— 15/05/23— 12/06/23— 03/07/23— 04/09/23— 25/09/23— 16/10/23				

Week Three

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Cheese Wheels	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	Roast Loin of Pork & Apple Sauce	Bubble Salmon	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Quorn Sausages	Veggie Balls in Tomato Sauce	Veggie Roast	Vegetable Enchilada	Sweet Potato, Spinach & Feta Frittata
Sides	Peas & Herby Diced Potatoes	Carrots & Wholewheat Spaghetti	Fresh Carrots Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Mixed Vegetables & Potato Salad	Baked Beans & Chips
And for pudding	Orange & Sultana Oaty Cookie	Chocolate Cracknel	Fruit Jelly	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Organic Pip Ice Lolly
Packed lunch	Egg Mayo Sandwich	Cheese Roll	Tuna Mayo Sandwich	Jays Sausage Roll & Veggie Sticks	Ham Baguette
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Home Baked Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives				
Week starting:	01/05/23— 22/05/23 — 19/06/23— 10/07/23— 11/09/23— 02/10/23				

ATTENDANCE



UK Health
Security
Agency



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

Yes

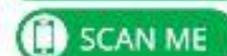
Until...

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>.



Are you entitled?

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