



Weekly newsletter

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Executive Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

We've had a fantastic week filled with adventure, creativity, and collaboration here at Kings Nympton.

On Tuesday, the whole school set off on a trip to Northam Burrows, and what a day it was! The children took part in a wide range of outdoor learning activities, including rock pooling, where they discovered crabs, anemones, and other fascinating sea creatures. They also enjoyed building stone structures, using teamwork and problem-solving skills to create imaginative designs on the beach.

Bug hunting proved a big hit too – our young explorers were very enthusiastic about searching through the grass and dunes to find all kinds of mini beasts. The children also engaged in some nature-inspired art, using the famous pebble ridge as a canvas for their creativity. It was particularly lovely to see how well the two classes worked together, with older pupils helping and encouraging the younger ones throughout the day. The trip was a brilliant opportunity to strengthen friendships across the school and celebrate our shared curiosity and love for nature.

Back at school, our baby room preparations are nearly complete! We're still waiting for the last few pieces of furniture to arrive, but it's all coming together beautifully. The space is looking warm, welcoming, and ready for our youngest learners. This week, we were delighted to welcome two prospective parents for a tour of the school and our new facilities. It's always a pleasure to show families around and share what makes our setting so special.

On Wednesday afternoon, we hosted a joint staff meeting with colleagues from Winkleigh Primary School. It was a great chance to share ideas, reflect on the term so far, and continue building strong links between our two schools. Staff were very impressed by the calm, purposeful nature of classrooms and the vibrant displays of the children's work around the school.

We rounded off the week with a brilliant day at Forest School. The children got stuck into a range of exciting activities – from den building to natural crafts. As always, it was wonderful to see the children so engaged and confident in the outdoor environment.

It's been a week full of learning, laughter, and togetherness — everything we value so much here at Kings Nympton.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards
Mrs V Fenemore

Diary dates

Upcoming week

Week beginning: 29.09.25

Weekly deadlines

- Lunch deadline – midnight the day before
- All sorts – 8.30am the same day
- Early birds – 3pm the day before
- Bus changes – 2.30pm to email each day, phone after this time.
- Gate opens 08.45-08.55 each day.

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

Monday

- Whole School Pond Dipping – Cadbury Cottages
- Gardening club 3.30pm-5pm

Tuesday

- Class 1 & Class 2 PE kit

Wednesday

- Mrs Rowcliffe on site

Thursday

- Mrs Fenemore/Mr Slocombe/Mrs Stapley on site
- Class 1 & Class 2 PE kit
- Family breakfast
- Pre-school Autumn Crafts Stay & Play

Friday

- Forest school

Diary dates

This half term

These dates are provisional and subject to change.

Upcoming events

Wb
06.10.25

06.10.25 Tempest individual and sibling photos

07.10.25 Toddlers

09.10.25 Flu Vaccinations

09.10.25 Class 1 Cake Sale

10.10.25 Forest school

Wb
13.10.25

14.10.25 Open morning for prospective Reception 2026
parents

17.10.25 Just One Tree Day – Wear Green

Wb
20.10.25

21.10.25 Harvest church service – St James' Church

21.10.25 Parent's evening

23.10.25 Class 2 Cake sale

Stay & Play



STAY AND PLAY

Thursday, OCT 2nd

9.15am till 11am

£2 per family

**Autumn treasure hunt,
craft activities, singing
and stories.**

Refreshments available!

**Please email:
admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk
to book a place.**

Trips & Activities

Whole School Northam Burrows – 23.09.25

Beautiful sunshine for our first trip this year. We had a fantastic day searching different habitats for creatures and plants.



I liked colouring the rocks.



I enjoyed looking for the animals in the rock-pools.

I liked building with the rocks and playing with the sand.



I like searching for my cushion star fish.



Trips & Activities

Whole School Northam Burrows – 23.09.25 *continued*



I enjoyed exploring the burrows.



I was excited to find an alive crab.



My favourite part of the day was creating artwork on the stones at pebble ridge.



Rock pooling was the best because we saw so many seas snails!



I enjoyed working with Hugo in class one on the bug hunting. We found a female spider carrying her eggs on her back.

Trips & Activities

Whole School Forest School – 19.09.25



Class news

Pre-school – Mrs Stapley

Dear families,

This week in the Preschool we have been enjoying the beautiful story Owl Babies by Martin Waddell.

Highlights of the week:

- Story time: The children loved listening to Owl Babies, a tale about three little owlets waiting for their mummy to return. We talked about how the owls felt—sometimes worried, sometimes brave, but always caring for one another.
- Families: We have been sharing who is in our own families and celebrating how every family is special and unique. The children enjoyed drawing self portraits and talking about people who are important to them.
- Feelings & belonging: We've explored feelings of comfort, love, and reassurance, just like the owlets waiting for their mummy.
- Creative fun: The children made owl crafts using feathers, paint, and collage materials. We also practised moving like owls.



Have a wonderful weekend.

The Preschool Team



Class news

Class 1 – Mrs Betts

Reception are working hard on learning their new phonemes in phonics this week 'g, o, c'.

We are already beginning to read words and are learning our first tricky word 'is'. Any games you can play i.e. hiding the word or showing it as a password to read, would be hugely beneficial for your child's reading.

The children are also really focusing on the pre-cursive letter formations.

In Curious Quest, class one have met their new faithful friends and have been writing letters to them to persuade them to help us on our new adventure.

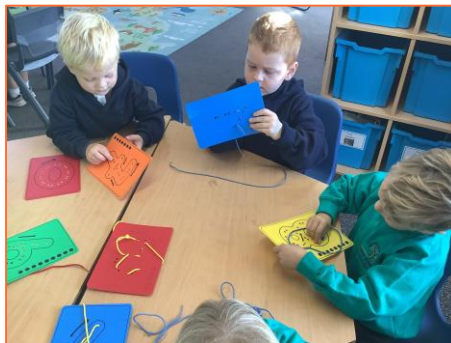
In maths, KS1 have just finished their Place Value unit. While reception children have been learning about sets and examining buttons for things that are the same and those that are different.

We have forest school on Friday so please look out for our photos on Facebook.

Please remember packed lunches and forest school clothing for our pond dipping trip to Cadbury Cottages on Monday.

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Betts, Mrs Blacker and Mrs Slade



Class news

Class 2 – Mrs Miali

The children arrived at school Monday buzzing after their first forest school of the year and the excitement has continued through the week.

On Monday morning we focused on the new spelling words and created fun sentences to remember the homophones and phonic sounds. They have also enjoyed using their spelling words in the handwriting time to get some extra practice.

Tuesday was a fabulous day, with the best of the weather for the school trip. The class enjoyed exploring all sorts of different habitats and learning about the different animals they could and did find in the rock pools and in the burrows. They are looking forward to recalling their experiences of the day when we look at living things and their habitats in science, after half term.

We continue with our English sequence and the children have completed lots of hunting through the text to find conjunctions, subordinate clauses and noun phrases. This has inspired them to write their own subordinate clauses and noun phrases about the person they have focused on.

For Maths they have been effectively using their place value knowledge to round two and three digit numbers to the nearest multiple of 10 and 100. One more week of place value, to include roman numerals and then we move on to addition and subtraction.

The children have been learning to work collaboratively in PSHE and looking at the skills needed to achieve success. They created a fantastic human machine, deciding what actions were needed and how best to perform them to create a pizza. They have also pulled on these skills when planning a science experiment that they will be conducting next week.

We have another busy week to look forward to, with the pond dipping trip on Monday, family breakfast Thursday and forest school on Friday. Don't forget drop off is 9:15am at Cadbury Cottages and collection from the same location at 3:00pm on Monday.



Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Miali

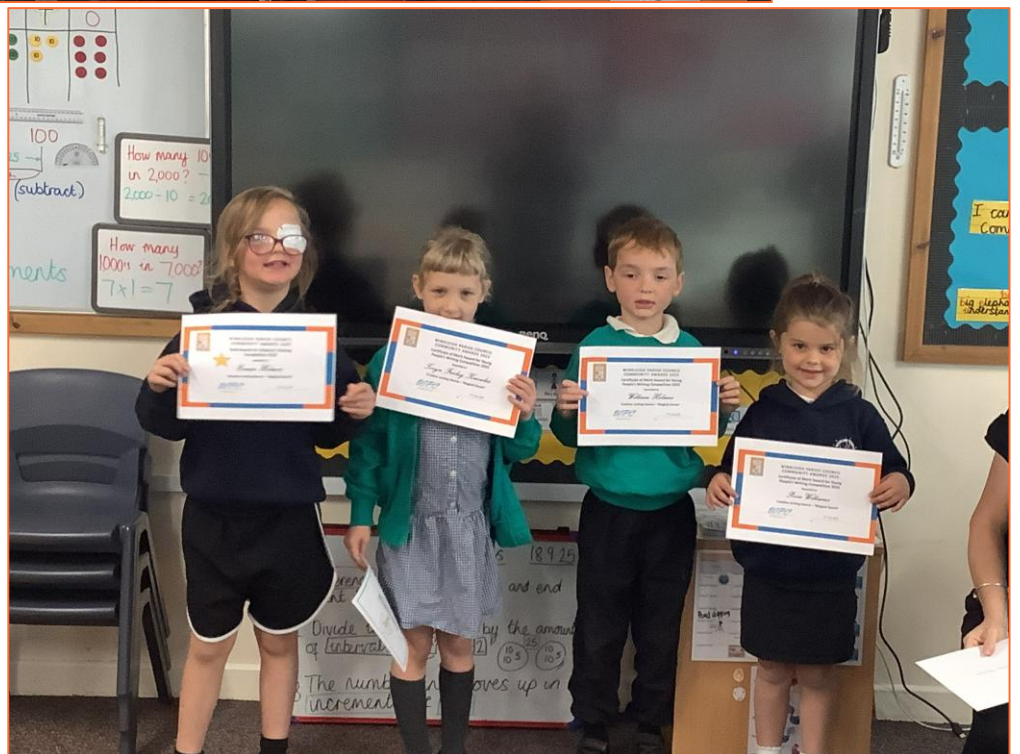


Celebration assembly

Certificate winners this week!



Writing competition superstars!



Open Morning

For prospective parents of Reception children 2026



Come and see our amazing environment! Learn more about our approach, curriculum and enrichment.

We can't wait to meet you!

Tuesday 14th October
9am-11.30am

Contact admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk to book a personalised tour during this time.

Primary school admissions (for September 2026) opens on 15th November