



Kents Hill

Junior School

Be Ready ~ Be Respectful ~ Be Safe
Successful ~ Creative ~ Kind
For Today ~ For Tomorrow ~ For the Future



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Dear Parents/Carers, Newsletter

Term: Summer | Date: Friday 10th July 2026

What another fantastic week it has been at KHJS!

We started the week with our PLT Summer Fete and PTA Penalty Shoot-Out – thank you to everyone who supported these events and helped make them such a success. A huge well done to all of the children who represented our school so brilliantly at the District Sports event on Wednesday, demonstrating outstanding determination, teamwork and sportsmanship.

We have finished the week on a high with our brilliant Rock Steady bands performing in their Summer Concert, showcasing the confidence and musical skills they have developed throughout the year.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Miss Parkes

Be Ready

School Clubs End Dates

School clubs run by school staff & The Deanes finished this week. This is with the exception of Deanes Netball, Dodgeball & Football clubs which will finish w/c 13th July. Our Breakfast and After School Club facility will continue to run until the last day of term. Autumn term club offerings will be sent out in September.

Essex Libraries Summer Reading Challenge

Read to the Beat is coming to a library near you this summer!

This year's Summer Reading Challenge will inspire children to explore the connection between stories and songs, discovering how reading and music both ignite imagination and creativity.

This year's Challenge is brought to life with illustrations by award-winning author and illustrator Harry Woodgate.

The challenge runs **from Saturday 18th July to Saturday 5th September** in all Essex libraries and mobile libraries.

There are six stickers for children to collect over the summer. They earn them by telling them about the books they have read, or doing related activities. (A list of suggested activities is on the sticker folder given to each child taking part.) After collecting six stickers, they earn their certificate and medal. A ribbon to show off their medal can be bought from the library (while stocks last) for 50p each.

Children can read any library book of their choice; fiction, non-fiction, picture books or books they share with parents and carers – they all count. Children under four are not forgotten, with a special version of Read to the Beat just for them.

The Summer Reading Challenge is delivered by The Reading Agency in partnership with libraries and powered by Universal Music Group UK. It is open to all children, free of charge.



Be Respectful

District Sports

On Wednesday we participated in District Sports at Basildon Sporting Village. KHJS took a 50+ strong team to compete in a variety of events across track and field. We came **2nd** place for the track events and 3rd place overall which is fantastic! Well done to all those that took part and for all their hard work with training before the event as well.

Year 6 Responsibilities

From the nominations put forward, Miss Parkes and Miss Jackson had the wonderful job of interviewing the candidates for Head and Deputy Head Pupils for KHJS for September 2026. All of the pupils' responses were superb and we had the very difficult task of choosing just four to represent the school for 2026/27. Congratulations to the following:

Head Pupils:	Alice P	Caelan B
Deputy Head Pupils:	Lillian M	Renee Mc



Library Books

We are currently missing a number of reading books from our school library. We'd very much appreciate it if you could look to see if you have any at home. All school library books need to be returned to the school ahead of the end of term. Your child's teacher will be able to advise them of what books they have taken out of the library if they have forgotten.

Be Safe

Water Bottles and Summer Weather

Now that the weather has improved, please ensure that your child comes to school with **at least one water bottle every day**. There are facilities available in the classrooms so that the children are able to re-fill their bottles.

Please also ensure your child comes to school wearing **sun cream and a hat**. The pupils are now allowed to wear summer dresses or shorts and P.E shorts on their P.E days.



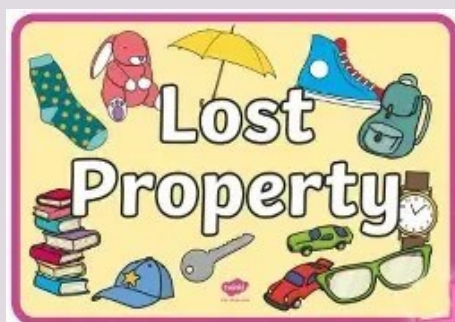
INFORMATION

Arrears

A friendly reminder to Year 6 Parents - it is coming to the time when our Year 6's will be leaving us, please ensure that any dinner or club arrears are settled as soon as possible. Thank you.

Lost Property

We have accumulated quite a large amount of lost property this year. If your child has lost something feel free to come to the school office where the boxes will be outside our reception every day from **Monday 13th July**. Any unclaimed water bottles or lunch boxes will be disposed of at the end of term for health and safety reasons.



ATTENDANCE

6CA	99%
4MM	99%
5EM	97%
KHJS TARGET	97%
5NA	96%
3AB	96%
3LP	96%
4EKF	94%
6LT	94%
6JC	94%
3LJ	91%
5MR	91%
4RE	88%

Moments Matter, Attendance Counts



The following pupils have received the most points in their class this week for being Ready, Respectful and Safe and being Successful, Creative and Kind.

3AB	Thea C	5EM	Elizabeth K
3LJ	Frankie B	5MR	Lillian M
3LP	Aidan S	5NA	Emilia P-W
4EKF	Rebecca F	6CA	Paige W
4MM	Caitlyn M	6JC	Issy W
4RE	Felicity B	6LT	Archie W

SOCIAL MEDIA

Our Social Media accounts can be found on the following links:



<https://www.facebook.com/Kents-Hill-Junior-School-115535708151191>



<https://www.instagram.com/kentshilljuniorschool/>



<https://youtube.com/@KHJS-mm4gd>

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KEY DATES

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 3 cooking Day	Mon 13th July	All day
Year 6 Production to parents/carers	Weds 15th July	1:30pm & 6:30pm
Year 4 Swimming	Thurs 16th July	All day
Year 6 cooking day	Thurs 16th July	All day
Year 6 Fun swim & inflatables	Fri 17th July	All day
Year 6 Leavers picnic & graduation	Mon 20th Jul	12:30pm
Last day of summer term	Mon 20th Jul	3:20pm
First Day of Autumn term for pupils	Weds 2nd Sept	8:40am



DINNER MENU

The school menu for next week will be Week 3 from the Spring/Summer 2026 menu. A copy of the menu can be found on our website: [Kents Hill Junior School - Lunch Menu](#)

WEEK 3				
KENTS HILL INFANT & JUNIOR ACADEMY				
SPRING/SUMMER 2026				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
OPTION 1 Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges (M, G)	BBQ Chicken with Rice	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy (E, M, G, SD)	Macaroni Cheese (M, G)	Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips (F, G)
OPTION 2 VEGETARIAN Tomato & Basil Pasta with Garlic Bread (V, G)	Roasted Vegetable & Mixed Bean Pasta (V, G)	Cheese & Tomato Finned with Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes (E, M, G, SD)	Katsu Vegetables with Rice (V, G)	Vegetable Nuggets with Chips (V, G)
OPTION 3 Jacket Potato with Cheese (M) or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (M) or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (M) or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (M) or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (M) or Baked Beans
VEGETABLES Carrots Broccoli	Green Beans Cauliflower	Sweetcorn Cabbage	Carrots Sweetcorn	Peas Baked Beans
DESSERT Oaty Cookie with Peaches (V, G)	Vanilla Sponge with Sprinkles	Raspberry Jelly	Rainbow Shortbread with Raisins (V, G)	Ice Cream (M)

At Kents Hill Junior School we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Designated Safeguarding Lead – Miss J Parkes

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