



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: Autumn | Date: Friday 28th November 2025

What a busy and brilliant week it's been!

All year groups immersed themselves in an incredible Portals to the Past workshop, complete with amazing costumes, superb behaviour and impressive learning attitudes that were highly praised by our visitors.

We've had big DT focus this week with Year 5 beginning sewing their bags, Year 4 crafting their advent calendars with real working hinges and Year 3 cooking up a delicious treat—a big thank you to all volunteers who came in to support us!

Across the school, the children took part in a beautiful Christingle service, where they created their Christingles and reflected on the message of hope and community.

Finally, some of our Local Governing Body members were in school continuing their monitoring—highly commending the fantastic work of both children and staff.

We can't wait for the festivities to start next week!

Have a brilliant weekend everyone!

Miss Parkes

Be Ready

PTA Movie Night—Thursday 11th December

Our PTA movie night will be taking place on Thursday 11th December from 3:20pm to 5:30pm.

Children can bring pyjamas and blankets into the school for the event, along with a small amount of money—drinks and snacks will be available to purchase. Payment of £5 per child to be paid via the Schoolcomms app.

We will need parent helpers for each evening to supervise & sell refreshments – please email the school office if you can help!



Be Safe

Keeping Our Children Safe Around School

Thank you to all of our parents and carers for helping us keep our children safe every day. Please remember the following at all times, **including during wrap-around care**:

- **Do not park in front of the school gates.** This keeps children safe, ensures emergency access and prevents congestion.
- **Do not follow other cars into the car park.** The car park is for KHJS/KHIA staff use only. Following other vehicles puts pedestrians at risk and increases the chance of accidents.
- **Please use the zebra crossing with the designated School Crossing Patrol Officer.** Doing so sets a great example of safe road habits for our children.

Your support and careful attention make a huge difference in keeping everyone safe—thank you!

Be Ready

Year 2- 3 admissions for September 2026

Please be informed that the junior school admission round opened on Monday 10th November 2025. The statutory national closing date for applications is 15th January 2026.

Parents of current Year 2 children in the infant school need to make a formal application to the Council via the website: www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.



Christmas Jumper Day—Thursday 11th December

On Thursday 11th December KHJS will be taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. Pupils are to wear their Christmas jumpers with their normal school uniform. To make donating easier we've set up a JustGiving page. The minimum donation is £1 (remember, you don't have to add the tip if you don't want to!) <https://donate.justgiving.com/fundraising/cid250023696>

There's no need to buy a new jumper. You could upcycle an old jumper, get crafty or head to your local charity shop to buy a pre-loved festive knit. If you want to get creative and decorate a jumper, the Christmas Jumper Day website contains lots of fun craft ideas. We'd appreciate your support to make Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day a success. Together, we can make the world better with a sweater! Thank you for your support.



PLT & School Council Cake Sale

Please be advised that our Pupil Leadership Team and School Council will be running a cake sale on the front and back gate every Friday from this Friday 28th November until the end of the Autumn term.

Any donations of cakes would be greatly received each Friday morning - please send into the school office.



INFORMATION

Change of Weather: Change of Shoes & Warm Coats

As the weather is slowly changing, can we please ask that children are sent to school with warm coats and wellie boots, or a change of shoes (not football boots). The change of shoes are useful for if pupils wish to go on the school field of a lunchtime. Please also ensure your child is wearing suitable clothing for any outdoor clubs that they attend.

Can you please ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child(rens) names. We have accumulated a huge amount of lost property this academic year purely due to items being unnamed.

Our school has an ID code with Mynametags.com - suppliers of washable, easy to use name labels which can be used on school uniform, equipment, shoes and more! For every order placed using the ID code, money is raised that will go towards the school PTA Fund. The ID is **19116** and orders can be made on <https://www.mynametags.com/affiliate?id=19116>



ATTENDANCE

3AB	99%
6CA	99%
4EKF	98%
3LJ	97%
KHJS TARGET	97%
6LT	95%
5MR	95%
4MM	95%
6JC	94%
4RE	94%
5EM	91%
5NA	89%
3LP	87%

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	Max D	5EM	Teddy S
3LJ	Jorgie W	5MR	Freddie W
3LP	Marley N	5NA	Bradley B
4EKF	Toni A	6CA	Ciaran M
4MM	Bethany S	6JC	Lennon C
4RE	Jake S	6LT	Jesse M

SOCIAL MEDIA

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



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



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



<https://twitter.com/KentsHillJnr>



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

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KEY DATES

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 6 Assessment Week	W/C 1st Dec	All week
Virtual Santa Fun Run	Monday 1st Dec	All day
Class 4EKF DT workshop—part 1	Tuesday 2nd Dec	1pm—3:20pm
Class 4EKF DT workshop—part 2	Wednesday 3rd Dec	1pm—3:20pm
PLT & School Council Cake Sale	Friday 5th Dec	3:30pm—3:45pm
Year 3, 4 & 5 Assessment Week	W/C 8th Dec	All week
Class 4RE DT workshop—part 1	Tuesday 9th Dec	1pm—3:20pm
Class 4RE DT workshop—part 2	Wednesday 10th Dec	1pm—3:20pm
Christmas Dinner Day	Thursday 11th Dec	Lunchtime
Mayors Christmas Concert—choir	Thursday 11th Dec	PM
Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday 11th Dec	All day

MENU

The school menu for next week will be Week 1 from the Autumn/Winter 2025 menu. A copy of the menu can be found on our website: <https://www.kentshilljuniorschool.co.uk/lunch-menu/>

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (D, G, E*) with Potato Wedges	Beef Bolognese with Pasta (G)	Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes (V), Yorkshire Pudding (E, D, G) and Gravy	Teriyaki Chicken (S) with Mixed Rice	Fish Fingers (F, G) or Salmon Fish Fingers (F, G) and Chips
OPTION 2	Tomato and Basil Pasta (G)	Vegetarian Bolognese (G) with Pasta (G)	Cheesy Lentils, Roast (E, D) with Roast Potatoes (V)	Mixed Bean Chili Con Carne with Mixed Rice	Vegetable Goujons (G) and Chips
OPTION 3	Jacket Potato with Cheese (D) or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (D) or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (D) or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (D) or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese (D) or Baked Beans
VEGETABLES	Sweetcorn Cauliflower	Broccoli Peas	Carrots Cabbage	Green Beans Sweetcorn	Peas Baked Beans
DESSERT	Banana Marble Cake (V, G)	Apple Biscuits (F, G) with Apple Slices	Strawberry Jelly	Vanilla Sponge (E, G) with Sprinkles	Chocolate Cookies (G) with Fruit Slices

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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