



# 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 14th February 2025

We've had a brilliant end to this half term, topped off with an incredible PTA disco last night! A huge thank you to everyone who helped make it such a fun event!

This week has been full of exciting learning adventures. Year 4 had an amazing time at Wat Tyler, getting hands-on with pond dipping and building bug hotels as part of their topic work.

Meanwhile, Year 6 channelled their inner chefs, making and tasting delicious sushi while exploring their Japan topic.

In Friday's assembly, we heard all about our exciting plans for World Book Day and introduced the children to our special guest author Ellie Irving reading some of her book 'The Matilda effect'.

Have an amazing half term,  
Miss Parkes

### Be Ready

#### Residential trip Balance Reminder

Please be reminded that the final balance payment for the Year 5 and 6 Residential trips are as follows:

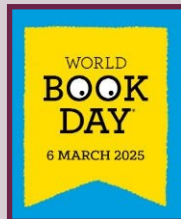
Year 5 Danbury Outdoors	Thursday 27th February
Year 6 PGL Windmill Hill	Monday 3rd March



#### World Book Day - Thursday 6th March 2025

We are really looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 6th March. This year, we are holding an open school dress-up theme. Pupils are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite characters from a book. Alternatively, for those who prefer non-fiction, they may choose to represent their favourite topic or non-fiction author through their attire. We believe this allows for creative expression and makes the day even more engaging for our children. Our theme is 'Read Your Way' where we are encouraging pupils to read for pleasure rather than something they feel they have to do. We shall also be doing some cross reading with pupils at Kents Hill Infant Academy as well throughout the day.

Based on the success of the last several years, we would also like to invite you to attend our 'Book Breakfast' from 8am on the morning of Thursday 6th March.



### Information

#### PTA Disco—Thursday 13th February

We would like to take this opportunity to let you know that we raised over £1100 for the PTA from the UV Disco. We would like to thank everyone that helped out at the event, especially the parents that gave up their time.



Stay tuned for our next fantastic PTA event!

### Be Safe

#### Online Safety information

##### My Family's Digital Toolkit

Get your personalised online safety toolkit in a few easy steps. Get age-specific advice to support your children online. Learn about popular apps and platforms your children use. Get information about how to deal with any online safety concerns. Get recommendations for digital tools to support their interests and wellbeing



For more online safety advice, please go to: [www.saferinternet.org.uk](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk), <https://nationalcollege.com/parents>, <https://www.internetmatters.org/digital-family-toolkit/>

#### Online Safety.

**MINIMUM AGES**  
**Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter and Facebook**  
13  
**Whatsapp**  
16  
**Tik Tok**  
16 to register  
13 to use  
**YouTube**  
18 to register  
13 with parental permission  
**Games** – check PEGI rating.

## INFORMATION



**THE DEANES SPORTS CENTRE**  
**HOLIDAY CAMPS**

Monday 17th February – Friday  
21st February inclusive

Activities are coached by highly qualified School Sport Professionals with First Aid & Safeguarding qualifications. We have various activities running each day and children will get the opportunity to choose between two activities each hour. Some of the activities included are Nerf, Arts & Crafts, Glow in the Dark Sports, Silent Disco, Slime Making, plus many more activities! To book or for more information please visit our website.

Early Club (8–10am) – £8  
Main Activity (10–3pm) – £25  
After Activity Club (3–6pm) – £10

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## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

3AB	98%
6NA	97%
<b>KHJS TARGET</b>	<b>97%</b>
3LJ	95%
5CC	95%
4RE	95%
4RH	94%
4JC	94%
6CA	93%
5EM	92%
3LP	92%
5MR	91%
6LT	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.

3LJ	Rose M	5CC	Louie N
3LP	Teddy K	5MR	Chauncey S
3AB	George E	5EM	Connie E
4RH	Aaron J	6LT	Oscar S
4JC	Ruby H-W	6NA	Willow C
4RE	Fearne Mc	6CA	Lydia 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

<b>Half term</b>	Mon 17th Feb—Fri 21st Feb	All week
<b>Year 6 trip to Harry Potter Studios</b>	Tuesday 25th Feb	All day
<b>Cross Country competition @ Garons Park</b> <i>Selected pupils</i>	Wednesday 26th Feb	AM
<b>Year 5 Residential trip to Danbury</b> <b>balance is due</b>	Thursday 27th Feb	All day
<b>Year 6 Residential trip to Windmill</b> <b>Hall balance is due</b>	Monday 3rd Mar	All day
<b>Year 3-5 Assessment Week</b>	W/C 3rd Mar	All week
<b>Class 3LJ DT afternoon</b>	Monday 3rd Mar	1:30pm
<b>PTA Event: Sponsored pancake toss</b>	Tuesday 4th Mar	PM
<b>Year 4-6 My Futures Programme</b>	Tuesday 4th Mar	PM

## DINNER MENU

The school menu for after half term will continue to be from the Autumn/Winter menu and will be week 1 (week commencing 24.02.2025).

A copy of the menu can be found on our website: <https://www.kentshilljuniorschool.co.uk/lunch-menu/>

School dinners cost **£2.60** per child per day and payment should be made via the SchoolGateway app.



**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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