



# 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 18th October 2024

Firstly a big thank you to everyone who attended parents/carers consultations this week, we also appreciate you having taken the time to complete the parent/carer survey. It's really important to us that we hear from as many families without our school community as possible.

Here is the link if you have been unable to complete it so far: <https://forms.gle/RgSK5DGpByi1pagm8>.

An extra special thank you and well done to three of our fabulous PLT—Evelyn, Ciaran and Imogen who, I am sure you will all agree, did an incredible job of welcoming everyone and ensuring a smooth running of the evenings with everyone knowing where to go.

We've had a great week with My Futures events, and I've particularly loved the poetry from some of the classes.

We wrapped up the week with the children each nominating someone for a Ready, Respectful and Safe award. Check out our social media for the winners. Have a wonderful weekend, Miss Parkes

### Be Ready

### Information

#### Welcome to My Future 2024-25!

This project is designed to help raise aspirations and inspire children about future career opportunities. Your child had a virtual visit from people in jobs that help us with our 'Health and Happiness. They explained what they do in their job and why they enjoy it.

#### Activities for children

Talk to your children about the jobs they learnt about.

- Which job did you like best?
- Who was your favourite volunteer?
- How many jobs can you think of that help us to stay happy and healthy?
- What skills do you think you would need? Do you use some of those skills already at home or school? What do you like doing to stay happy and healthy?
- What do you love doing that you could use in a future career?

## My Future Careers in Health and Happiness



We have been looking at careers in the health sector, talking about, both, physical and mental health careers.

Why not have a discussion with your child about the career they found most interesting? What would they need to participate in this career?

#### PTA UV Disco—Thursday 24th October

Tickets cost £5 per child and can be purchased via the School Gateway app.

Parents are to pick up from reception after the event. Children to wear their best clothes along with a small amount of cash as snacks, drinks, glow sticks and neon face paint will be available. We will need parent helpers for each evening to help supervise and sell refreshments – please advise if you can help! By purchasing a ticket, you consent to your child being allowed to have UV paint applied.



### Be Safe

**Your child's Annual Flu Vaccination Is Now Due, please click the link to complete a consent form.**

[LINK HERE](#)

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu. Most children are offered a nasal spray vaccine which is a quick, simple and painless spray up the nose.

The nasal spray vaccine is the most effective vaccine. The nasal spray vaccine contains a very small amount of porcine gelatine as an essential ingredient to keep it stable and able to work. For those who may not accept medicines or vaccines that contain porcine gelatine, a flu vaccine injection is available. Even if your child had the vaccine last year, the type of flu can vary each winter, so it is recommended to have it again this year or they won't be protected.

Since the programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have had the immunisation. For further information, please refer to the following leaflet:

[Flu vaccination primary school - for parents - Health Publications](#)

If you have any queries, or need to discuss the alternative flu vaccine injection please

Contact the immunisation team on 0300 790 0597 or at [epunft.SE-immunisations@nhs.net](mailto:epunft.SE-immunisations@nhs.net)

### Be Respectful

#### Parent/Carer Consultation Evening

Thank you to all of the parents that attended the Parents and Carers Consultation Evenings this week. Hopefully you found them useful and are pleased with how the children have settled into their new class.

We appreciate your support in making the Parents Evening a success. If you missed the parents evening and would still like to speak to your child's teacher to check on their progress, please contact the school office and they will be able to help you.

We would also invite you to complete our parent views questionnaire. Please help our school be the best it can be by completing the parent views form: <https://forms.gle/5pp4J8cJtJ3Uokj9>.

## INFORMATION

### Year 5 & 6 Boys Football Match

Congratulations to the following boys who took part in the Year 5 & 6 Boys Football match away against Thundersley Primary School. The score was 2-1 to Thundersley.

Freddie T Charlie C  
Jude L Jude I  
Finley H George T  
Ciaran T Jacob B  
Kai A



### Secondary School Admissions Process

The new secondary school admission round opened on Thursday 12th September 2024. This is for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2025.

The statutory national **closing date for applications is 31st October 2024**. Applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions). 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year. All of the application information is available on the website above. **Please ensure that you have logged onto the website and have made an application by the closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024**. Should you require any help with applying for a school place, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

3LJ	100%
5EM	99%
6NA	99%
6CA	98%
3AB	98%
4RE	98%
4RH	98%
5CC	97%
<b>KHJS TARGET</b>	<b>97%</b>
3LP	96%
4JC	95%
6LT	93%
5MR	93%



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	Luca L	5CC	Henry C
3LP	Darcie F	5MR	Ellie G
3AB	Freddie P	5EM	Kai A
4RH	Tommy H	6LT	Oliver W
4JC	Marley B	6NA	Finley H
4RE	Jack E	6CA	Ronnie G

## 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://twitter.com/KentsHillJnr>



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

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## KEY DATES

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

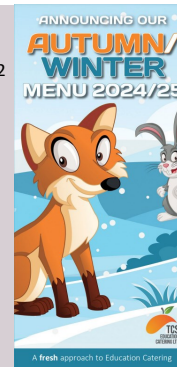
Help in the community week	W/C 21st Oct	All week
SEND Drop in session— <i>invitation only</i>	Tuesday 22nd Oct	All day
Essex Family Forum	Wednesday 23rd Oct	2pm
Boys Southend United Football tournament ( <i>invited pupils</i> )	Thursday 24th Oct	All day
PTA UV Disco—Year 3 & 4	Thursday 24th Oct	3:30pm—4:45pm
PTA UV Disco—Year 5 & 6	Thursday 24th Oct	5:15pm—6:30pm
Half Term—School Closed	W/C 28th Oct	All week
First day back after half term	Monday 4th Nov	8:40am
Health & Relationship Week	W/C 4th Nov	All week
Year 3 Campfire Evening	Monday 4th Nov	4pm—5pm
Year 6 Portals to the Past workshop	Tuesday 5th Nov	All day
Flu immunisations	Thursday 7th Nov	All day

## DINNER MENU

The school menu this term is the Autumn/Winter menu and will be week 2 (week commencing 21.10.2024).

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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