



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 11th October 2024

We've had another fantastic week at KHJS!

On Thursday, we celebrated 'World Mental Health Day' by wearing yellow accessories and learning strategies to support our mental health, in particular the use of creative drawing and doodling to promote positive thinking.

Year 3 did an amazing job representing the school during their local area walks—absolute superstars, well done, Year 3!

The whole school has been buzzing with brilliant ideas for our library transformation and we can't wait to see how lots of the ideas come together!

We're looking forward to welcoming you next week for Parent/Carer consultations and to look at the children's work and their classrooms.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Miss Parkes

Be Ready

Parent/Carer Consultation Evening

Please be reminded that the Parents Consultation Evenings will run on the following dates:

- Tuesday 15th October - appointments: 3.45pm - 6.15pm
- Thursday 17th October - appointments - 5.30pm - 8pm

Please contact the school office should you need help booking your appointment.

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. 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year. All of the application information is available on the website above.

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

Information

PTA UV Disco—Thursday 24th October

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

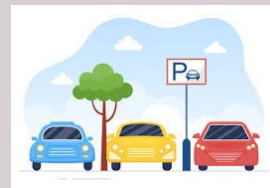
Parents are to pick up from reception after the event. Children to wear their best clothes along with a small amount of cash as snacks, drinks, glow sticks and neon face paint will be available. We will need parent helpers for each evening to help supervise and sell refreshments – please advise if you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



Be Respectful

Considerate parking

Please may we ask that all of our parents and carers park considerately around the local area. We have been contacted by some local residents who have



mentioned that their driveways have been blocked or cars have been parked in dangerous locations making it unsafe for people to cross safely. Thank you for your understanding.

INFORMATION

Year 5 & 6 Boys Football Tournament

Congratulations to the following boys who took part in the Year 5 & 6 Boys Football Tournament at The Deanes School on Wednesday.

We took 2 teams and are delighted to confirm that one of our teams even made the final! Well done to all involved!

Freddie T	Quinn K	James S	Rocky P	Jesse M
Jude L	Charlie C	Kai A	Ronnie G	Sonny C
Samuel R	Finley H	Jude I	Bertie WP	George T
Ciaran T	Frankie B			



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

5EM	100%
6CA	99%
5CC	99%
6NA	98%
3AB	98%
4JC	98%
5MR	97%
6LT	97%
3LP	97%
KHJS TARGET	97%
3LJ	96%
4RH	95%
4RE	94%



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	Bethany S	5CC	Violet L
3LP	Dolly W	5MR	Selina C
3AB	Charlotte E	5EM	Ahmed F
4RH	Jessica C	6LT	Holly N
4JC	Theodore T	6NA	Gracie B
4RE	Frankie D	6CA	Marlee-R A

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>

[#KentsHillDifference](#)

KEY DATES

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Parents Evening	Tuesday 15th Oct	3:45pm—6:15pm
Year 4-6 My Futures Programme	Tuesday 15th Oct	PM
Boys Football Match vs Thundersley PS (away) - (invited pupils)	Wednesday 16th Oct	3:30pm
Parents Evening	Thursday 17th Oct	5:30pm—8pm
Year 3 My Futures Programme	Thursday 17th Oct	PM
Help in the community week	W/C 21st Oct	All week
SEND Drop in session—invite to follow	Tuesday 22nd Oct	PM
Boys Southend United Football tournament (invited pupils)	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

DINNER MENU

The school menu this term is the Autumn/Winter menu and will be week 1 (week commencing 14.10.2024).

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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