



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 1st May 2026

It's been another fantastic week in school!

Year 4 have taken pride in our community by heading out on their local area litter tidy, showing great responsibility and teamwork. We are also delighted to have announced our amazing new Year 5 Play Leaders, who are eager to begin their training and take on their important roles. Across the school, we've seen some truly incredible writing—do take a look at our social media pages to hear some wonderful snippets.

We've ended the week, and month on a real high celebrating our 'Best Things We've Seen in April'!

Wishing you all a lovely bank holiday weekend—fingers crossed the sunshine is here to stay!

Miss Parkes

Be Ready

Be Respectful

2027 Entry for the 11+ test

For your information, please note that the 11+ 2027 entry test for pupils who are currently in Year 5 will take place on Saturday 19th September 2026. Registration for this will commence from 12th May 2026 to 19th June 2026 inclusive.

The CSSE website www.csse.org.uk has lots more useful information on how you can enter and prepare your child for the 11+.

Year 6 SATS

These important assessment tests take place throughout the week commencing Monday 11th May 2026. The pupils and staff have worked incredibly hard to prepare for them, so please can all parents and carers of pupils in Year 6 ensure that any routine appointments are not booked for this week as the tests cannot be taken at a later date.

More information can be found on the SATs section of the Year 6 page on our website:

<https://www.kentshilljuniorschool.co.uk/key-stage-2-sats/>

During the week of SATs (11th - 14th May), we will be holding a Year 6 Breakfast Club to enable the children to settle in school ahead of the tests that day from 8am until 8:30am and will be free of charge. There will be a variety of croissants, pastries, toast, fruit, yoghurts and juice available for the children to help themselves to. This is a time for the children to prepare in a calm atmosphere and all of the Year 6 teaching staff will be available for them to discuss any concerns or worries.

DATE	TESTS
Monday 11th May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 12th May	English reading paper
Wednesday 13th May	Mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)
Thursday 14th May	Mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

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 and shorts, and P.E shorts on P.E days.



Sir David Attenborough's 100th Birthday Celebration

We are thrilled to be celebrating the incredible milestone of Sir David Attenborough turning 100 on Friday 8th May!

To mark this special occasion, we will be holding a themed non-uniform day, where children are invited to come dressed in a way that celebrates the remarkable life and work of Sir David Attenborough. From his iconic presenting style to the natural world he has brought to life, there are so many fun and creative options to explore!

Costume Inspiration

The Classic "Attenborough" Look

- The Field Explorer: khaki shirt, cargo shorts or trousers, hiking boots and even a grey wig
- The "Blue Planet" Presenter: a light blue shirt with trousers
- The Gentle Narrator: pastel shirt and trousers
- A David Attenborough mask
- A nature explorer hat and vest

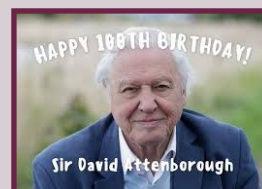
Iconic Documentary Ideas

- A "Fly on the Wall": black outfit with wings
- A Plant or Tree: dress in green with leafy additions
- An Underwater Explorer: wetsuit and snorkelling gear
- An animal of your choice; animal prints or patterns

Group Ideas

Camera Crew: all black with cameras or homemade props

We are very much looking forward to a fun-filled day celebrating Sir David Attenborough and the extraordinary impact he has had over the past 100 years!



INFORMATION

Ice Cream Friday

Now that the summer term is here, we will be celebrating by having an Ice Cream van on the school property (front gate) every Friday after school for children and parents to purchase a well earned treat. This will start from **Friday 15th May at 3.20pm.**



PTA Event: Zen with Ben

We are very excited to be holding a sound bath session at school, hosted by the amazing Zen with Ben. These hugely popular sessions involve the school hall being transformed into a space of peace, calm and stillness while you enjoy the magic of the a sound bath. Tickets are £20, are available to purchase via the School Gateway app and there are limited spaces available. This event will raise funds for the school. Please note, you will need to bring a blanket and pillows for this event, airbeds are provided by Zen with Ben. This session is for adults only. Smoothies and bottled water will be available to purchase on the night. We look forward to seeing you there.



ATTENDANCE

3AB	99%
4MM	98%
4RE	98%
6JC	98%
3LP	97%
4EKF	97%
KHJS TARGET	97%
5MR	95%
5NA	95%
5EM	95%
3LJ	95%
6CA	94%
6LT	93%

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	Mia G	5EM	William K
3LJ	Blake M	5MR	Eleanor M
3LP	Keji O	5NA	Soner G
4EKF	Alessia B	6CA	Nancy J
4MM	Milo C	6JC	Violet L
4RE	Beau P	6LT	Ellie G

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

Bank holiday—school closed	Monday 4th May	All day
Polling day—school closed	Thursday 7th May	All day
Sir David Attenborough 100th birthday dress up day	Friday 8th May	All day
Year 6 SATs Week	W/C 11th May	All week
Year 6 Colour run	Friday 15th May	PM
Ice Cream Fridays start	Friday 15th May	3:20pm
Roots to Food—all years	W/C 18th May	All day
Tri-Golf event—year 5/6 <i>Selected pupils</i>	Tuesday 19th May	AM
Year 5/6 girls football tournament <i>Selected pupils</i>	Tuesday 19th May	All day
Music Festival rehearsal	Weds 20th May	AM
Year 6 Rounders Competition <i>Selected pupils</i>	Weds 20th May	All day

MENU

The school menu for after half term 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 Firmcheese with Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes (E, M, G, SD)	Katsu Vegetables with Rice (V, G)	Vegetable Burgers 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 Daty Cookie with Peaches (V, G)	Vanilla Sponge with Sprinkles	Raspberry Jelly	Rainbow Shortbread with Fingers (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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