



Kents Hill

Junior School

Be Ready ~ Be Respectful ~ Be Safe
Successful ~ Creative ~ Kind
For Today ~ For Tomorrow ~ For the Future



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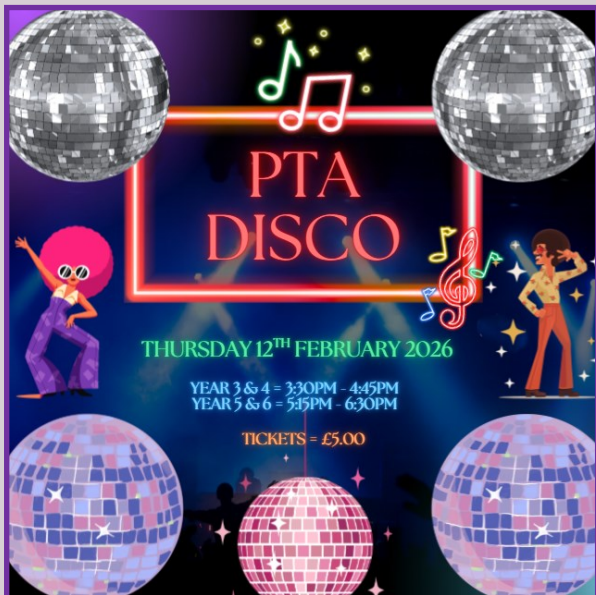
Dear Parents/Carers, **Newsletter**

Term: Autumn | Date: Friday 23rd January 2026

It's been a very creative week across KHJS!
 Everyone has been enjoying a wide range of hands-on learning experiences. Year 3 had a brilliant DT day—designing and building catapults, pulleys and levers while developing their problem-solving and teamwork skills.
 Year 4 focused on sewing, showing great concentration and care in their work.
 In Year 5, creativity shone through both their vector drawings and their keyboard work in music.
 Meanwhile, Year 6 impressed us with imaginative diary entries inspired by Diagon Alley, full of detail and creativity.
 Have a lovely weekend,
 Miss Parkes

Be Ready

PTA UV Disco—Thursday 12th February
Year 3 & 4 = 3:30pm—4:45pm (*they stay straight from school*)
Year 5 & 6 = 5:15pm—6:30pm
 Tickets cost £5 per child and can be purchased via the School Gateway app.
This day will be a non-uniform day, so children can come to school wearing their best clothes.
 They can bring along a small amount of cash as hot dogs, snacks, drinks, glow sticks and 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. Our PTA are looking to raise funds to improve our outside area. All our events this year will be helping raise money to fund fun outside areas like these:



Be Ready

Essex Libraries Winter Reading Challenge
 This year, the theme is 'Pawfessionals' and children will complete a range of fun, interactive, literacy-boosting activities to earn stickers! Plus, they can enter the big prize draw for some amazing prizes. Children can sign up in any Essex Library, any time until Sunday 22nd February 2026. More information can be found on the Essex Libraries website: [Winter Reading Challenge 2026 | News | Essex Library Service](http://www.essexlibraries.org.uk/winter-reading-challenge-2026)



SEND Coffee/Topic Session—Monday 26th January @ 2pm
 Please be advised that our next SEND Coffee/Topic session will be taking place on Monday 26th January at 2pm. We are delighted to confirm that we have a lady from 'Your ADHD Home' coming to visit us.

For this session, she will be covering "Rethink Your ADHD Home: A Blueprint for Calm." This session focuses on working with a neurodivergent brain rather than against it, covering practical concepts like:
 If you would like to come along, please let the school office know on admin@kentshill-jun.essex.sch.uk so we know for numbers.

Rethink Your ADHD Home: A Blueprint for Calm
 Working with your family's unique brain, not against it

Does your home feel like a constant battleground of "doom piles", lost keys and PE kits?
 Join us for a relaxed, 20-minute session with Jenefer, founder of Your ADHD Home, to explore how we can make our homes actually work with our brains.

Practical Wins You'll Take Away

- Understand "Clutter blindness" & why it happens
- The "one-step rule" to reduce daily friction
- Why out of sight is out of mind
- How to create a regulation toolbox for your child

Plus: Your Questions Answered

Date: 26th January 26

Time: 2pm

INFORMATION

Dance Festival

Well done to the following girls who participated in the Dance Festival at Westcliff Palace Theatre on Wednesday. They performed brilliantly!

Scarlet D	Caitlyn M	Emilia P-W
Erin P	Renee M	Amy S
Selina C	Anika R	Ruby T
Evie R	Helen M	Frankie D
Poppy T	Maisie P	



BATiCs Got Talent

Well done to Louella from Year 4 and Erin from Year 5 who represented KHJS at the BATiCs Got Talent event at Westcliff Palace Theatre yesterday. Louella sang a song from Matilda and Erin performed a fantastic dance routine. Well done girls!



ATTENDANCE

3AB	99%
4RE	98%
6CA	98%
3LJ	97%
KHJS TARGET	97%
3LP	96%
4EKF	96%
5NA	95%
5EM	95%
5MR	94%
4MM	92%
6LT	91%
6JC	90%

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	Georgina K	5EM	Frankie D
3LJ	Theodore K	5MR	Millie J
3LP	Lenny B	5NA	Joseph H
4EKF	Jasmine H	6CA	Sadie C
4MM	Luca L	6JC	Issy W
4RE	Frankie W	6LT	Ralphie P

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

Class 4EKF Spurs workshop	Monday 26th Jan	AM
Class 4RE Spurs workshop	Monday 26th Jan	AM
SEND coffee/topic session	Monday 26th Jan	2:30pm
Year 6 Antisocial workshop	Thursday 29th Jan	All day
Class 5MR Spurs workshop	Monday 2nd Feb	AM
Class 5EM Spurs workshop	Monday 2nd Feb	AM
School closing at 12:30pm	Wednesday 4th Feb	12:30pm
Year 6 Windrush Drama Workshop	Thursday 5th Feb	All day
Class 5NA Spurs workshop	Monday 9th Feb	AM
Class 6LT Spurs workshop	Monday 9th Feb	AM
PTA Disco (Year 3 & 4 = 3:30—4:45, Year 5 & 6 = 5:15pm—6:30pm)	Thursday 12th Feb	3:30pm—6:30pm
Sponsored PTA pancake toss	Friday 13th Feb	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://](https://www.kentshilljuniorschool.co.uk/lunch-menu/)

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radsh IT'S ALL FOOD		KENTS HILL INFANT/JUNIOR SCHOOL AUTUMN/WINTER 2025				
WEEK 1		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (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 (S) with Pasta (G)	Cheesy Lentil 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)	Anzac Biscuit (V, G) with Apple Slices	Strawberry Jelly	Vanilla Sponge (E, G) with Sprinkles	Chocolate Cookie (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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