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Dear Parents / Carers,

This has been another action-packed week at Kingsfield with children in Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 preparing for their national assessments. Over the next few weeks, Year 1 children will be checked on their phonics knowledge, Year 2 children will be assessed for their Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs), and Year 4 will take their multiplication check. Year 6 will be sitting more formal SATs tests next week. The results of all these assessments will be shared individually with the parents of the children taking the tests, and our school outcomes will be shared with all parents and published on our school website. A reminder for parents of Year 6 children: SATs breakfast will be available in the Year 6 classrooms each day next week from 8am. This is a great opportunity for children to prepare for the tests on each day and we would encourage all children to attend if they possibly can.

On Tuesday this week, the school was visited by Shirley Young, School Improvement Advisor for the Active Learning Trust. Mrs. Young undertook an audit of the school's safeguarding procedures including a review of attendance and children's behaviour. We are very proud to share that Mrs. Young finished her visit stating "Kingsfield is one of the safest school's I have visited". Thank you to all staff and children for their hard work to achieve this. I will share more of Mrs. Young's feedback with you, including her suggestions for further improvements, once we have received her final report.

Year 2 have visited Belvoir Castle this week linked to their history topic 'Castles'. The children had a wonderful visit; more information and photos of this can be found below.

6T

We have a number of exciting events and opportunities coming up over the summer term and I have included some information below about our sports' day and well-being day, both planned for later this month. Please do check the back page of this letter for all dates; changes in these will be highlighted each week.

As the weather improves, please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle and hat to help them to stay cool. We would ask that any sun-cream is applied before the school day and is not sent into school.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs. Read

House Points			
This week's points are:			
Blue	237	Green	276
Red	293		
Well done to <mark>Yellow Team</mark>			

Weekly Awards Well done to the following children: Class Star of the Week **Resilience Rock** RK Reggie S RMLewis T 1B Charlie R Logan H Everly D & Nancy R Connor C 1H 2R Riley B Bobbie F 2C Zander J Gabriella Z Charlie H Olivia C 3DH 3W Shana T Alfie R-P 4C Jonah L Lily F 4R Blake T Jacoby A 5P Mason E Erin S 5S Evie J Cameryn M 6R Vinny Shay L

Morgan P

Charlie B

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Attendance Reminder

Over the last few weeks we have had a number of children absent from school without having had contact from parents to let us know why. Our school policy states that parents should notify the school office of absence by 8.45am; this can be done in person, by email or phone, or by ParentMail.

If we do not know why your child is absent, the school office will email and phone you by 9.30am. If we are unable to make contact with you, we may carry out a welfare check and visit you at home to make sure everything is okay or if you need any support.

May we also remind you that if your child needs to be absent from school for a medical appointment, you should show a letter or appointment slip to the school office in advance of the appointment. Any other time off school for holiday or events should be applied for using our Request for Leave of Absence forms which are available from the school office. If this has not been completed in advance, the absence could be deemed as unauthorised.

If you have any questions about absence, please contact the school office for advice.

Sports' Day and a Platinum

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Jubilee Picnic



We are very pleased to announce that our sports' day this year will be fully open for parents to attend. Mrs. Macneil has planned a very exciting day with Key Stage 2 classes competing during the morning, starting at 9am and finishing at 12noon; and EYFS and Key Stage 1 classes competing between 1pm and 3pm on **Wednesday 25th May**. We hope that you will be able to attend to cheer your child on.

On the same day, we will be holding a Platinum Jubilee Picnic where all children across the school will be invited to picnic

outside on the field with their lunch. Caterlink will be preparing picnic bags for all children who would like a school meal on this day.



Year 2 Visit Belvior Castle

Our Year 2 children were lucky enough to visit a real castle this week as part of their castle topic. On Wednesday 4th May they travelled to Belvior Castle, near Grantham, and were met by Lady Liz and Cookie the cook. They met 'Persil' the barn owl in the castle kitchen before having a guided tour of the castle. As the children explored the rooms, they were able to uncover the past and find out more about castle life.





Outside in the castle grounds, the children were able to name the features of the castle which they had learnt about in class. The castle staff were very complementary about the children's behaviour, attitudes and understanding during the visit. Well done, Year 2!

I didn't think there would be peacocks there. We learned that peacocks are the symbol of the castle. I liked looking at the weapons they used. Zander, 2C Mrs. Culyer & Miss. Reid



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Personal Achievements

This week has seen some of our children and staff reaching some fantastic goals.









Congratulations to Stanley (6R) who has won a medal for playing for his Under 12 football team.



Well done to Mr. Rhodes for qualifying as a Football Association Referee.

Premier Sports want your feedback

Premier Sports are keen to provide an additional sports club after-school on a Tuesday. Previous offers of clubs have been met with little interest from children. We would like to know what kind of club your child might like to attend.

Please complete this <u>form</u> to let us know what kinds of sports clubs your child might like to attend after school.



Current Year 5 Parents

Last week we shared a link to a form to request parent to register their interest in their child attending a residential visit to Grafham Water in September 2022.

So far we have only received 13 responses to this which would not be viable for school to run. If you are interested, please complete this <u>form</u> by Tuesday 10th May or speak to the school office.

Transition Arrangements

As we progress through the summer term, we begin to plan arrangements for the next school year. We have a number of transition events on offer for children to prepare them for the next steps, dates of these can be found on the back page of the newsletter.

Our new Reception intake will be invited to take part with the whole of our school in our Meet the Teacher events on 29th June and 13th July. More details will follow. Mrs. Kent, our EYFS leader, will also be in touch with details of new Reception parent information meetings which will take place on 14th June at 2.30pm and 5pm.

Cromwell College have arranged a number of transition events for children to attend and staff at Kingsfield will be working hard to prepare our Year 6 pupils for the upcoming change.

Later this term, we will be asking all pupils in school about which children they would like in their class next year. We will be working with this information to prepare the class lists for September 2022.

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Guidance on Living with COVID-19 from the NHS:



NHS **Test and Trace**

Living with COVID-19: advice for those aged 18 and under

Has your child or young person aged 18 or under tested positive, or do they feel unwell with COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms? If so, there are a few simple steps they can take to protect their family and community – especially those at highest risk of severe illness.









If they feel unwell and have a high temperature, with COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms, they should:



Try to stay at home, avoid contact with others and follow the guidance on gov.uk



Try to avoid going to school, college or childcare until they no longer have a high temperature and





Carry on attending as normal if they only have mild symptoms like a runny nose, sore throat or slight cough



If they have had a positive test for COVID-19, they should:



Try to stay at home. avoid contact with others for 3 days and follow the quidance on gov.uk



Try to avoid going to school, college or childcare during this time, where they can



Go back after 3 days, but only if they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to do so

Find out more on gov.uk

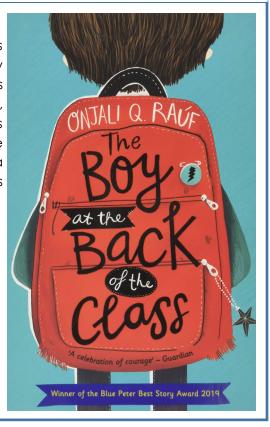
Book Recommendations

This week's recommendation was from Miss. Thomas. She has recommended the book "The Boy At the Back of the Class" by Onjali Rauf. The book tells the story of how three 9-year-old boys show empathy and acceptance for their new class-mate, Ahmet, a refugee from Syria. The story is told with humour and helps

children to understand the refugee crisis. The book has won a number of awards and comes highly recommended.



This is the story of a refugee and how the children in class react to him. The new friends end up going on an adventure together and Ahmet explains how he came to be a refugee. It's very relevant to today and is important for children to read.



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A Message Regarding the Midsummer Festival

Ready, Respectful, Safe



Chatteris Midsummer Festival Committee is looking for a Festival Prince and Princess to lead this year's parade.

If you would like to be the Prince or Princess we would like to hear why. Please either write us a short story or a draw us a picture explaining why you would be ideal for this exciting role.

The theme of the parade is Fairy Tales and Folklore and if chosen you will have the honour of leading the parade on the 25th June 2022.

The winners will be chosen by the Festival Committee and crowned just before the Queen's Platinum Jubilee concert in Chatteris Parish Church on the 2nd June.

Now for the boring stuff for Mum and Dad:

Entries must be ready for collection from your child's school on Monday 15th May and must include the child's name and a contact telephone number or email address. The winners will be offered costumes which will be purchased by the Festival Committee. Your child must be available for the parade, which leaves Church Lane at 11am on the 25th June, and the crowning ceremony at 6pm on the 2nd June.

Your child must also be confident enough to walk at the front of the parade and they will be photographed. If you have any queries please email chatteriscouncil@btconnect.com

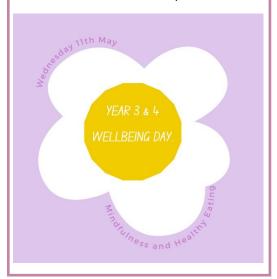
Good Luck Everyone



Year 3 & 4 Well-Being Day

Next week our Year 3 and 4 children will be taking part in a day all about their well-being. The children will experience some yoga tuition and mindfulness activities as well as learning about healthy eating.

Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school for the day.



Measuring in Fireflies

Our children in the Fireflies group have worked very hard over the last couple of weeks on measuring in their maths lessons. The children have been learning about different units of measure and how to measure accurately.

The children applied their new measuring skills to make a model dragon linked to their topic about castles and their book in English "The Paperbag Prince". Well done Fireflies for all your hard work!

We had to do all of our measuring but it was quite easy. I really like my dragon.

Goda, 2C

Diary Dates

New dates will be added weekly so please do read this section each week.

May 2022

4th, 11th, 18th, 25th - Year 3 swimming

9th - Visit to Nursery from our local police officer

9th - 12th-Year 6 SATs

9th - W/C Bikeability Year 1/2

11th - Wellbeing Day Years 3&4

12th - Year 6 Uniform event at Cromwell 4.30pm-6.30pm

13th - 5P Class Assembly

20th - 3DH Class Assembly

24th - 6R swimming

24th - Choir Performance

25th - Sports Day

26th - 2C Class Assembly

26th - 6T swimming

27th - PD Day

30th - 3rd - Half term

June 2022

6th - Children return to school

7th, 14th, 21st, 28th - 6R swimming

8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th - Year 3 swimming

8th - Sports Day back-up

9th, 15th, 23rd, 30th - 6T swimming

14th - Olympic and Paralympic Pentathlon Yrs 5&6

14th - New Reception Parent Information Meetings - new event

17th - 1H Class Assembly

17th - Year 4 Athletics Quadkids Event

23rd - Reception visit to Old Hunstanton

24th - RK Class Assembly

25th - 26th - Chatteris' Summer Festival

29th - Year 6 transition day to Cromwell #1

29th - Meet the Teacher #1 - new event

July 2022

1st - RM Class Assembly

5th, 12th - 6R swimming

7th, 14th - 6T swimming

13th - Year 6 transition day to Cromwell #2

13th - Meet the Teacher #2 - new event

14th - Year 6 production

14th - French Event

18th - Bikeability Year 6

20th - Celebration of Work

21st - Last day of term

21st - Leavers' Assembly

22nd - PD Day

Dates for the 2022-23 academic year:

Autumn Term Dates 2022

1st September – PD Day

2nd September – PD Day

5th September - Children return to school

18th October 2022 - Individual photographs

24th to 28th October 2022 - Half term

20th December – Last day of term

21st December 2022 - PD Day

Spring Term Dates 2023

4th January – Children return to school

13th to Friday 17th February – Half term

20th February – PD Day

21st February - Children return to school

31st March – Last day of term

Summer Term Dates 2023

17th April - Children return to school

1st May – Bank Holiday

26th May - PD Day

29th May to 2nd June – Half term

19th July – Last day of term

Did you know that Kingsfield Primary School has a Nursery?

We offer Nursery places for children from the age of two up until they are able to start Reception. We currently have spaces for the summer term as well as significant numbers of spaces for September 2022.

If you would like a space in our Nursery, please contact the school office for an admissions pack.