

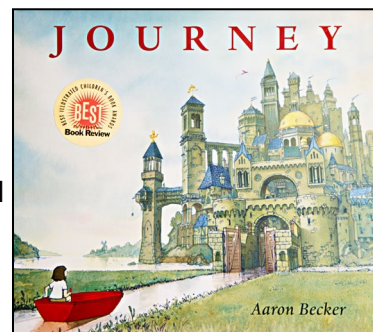


Kingshill Church School Friday 14 September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

It's hard to believe we've only been back at school two weeks!

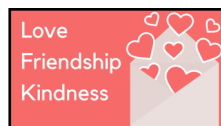
Everyone has settled in really well and the children are all working hard and enjoying their learning. The whole school has been doing a mini-topic about a wonderful picture book called 'The Journey' by Aaron Becker. This beautiful book has captured the imagination of all the children across the school and we have seen some wonderful descriptive language, imaginations fired up and a real buzz about a book!



The children are well under way with their learning now - I have seen some really busy, buzzing classrooms!

The new reception children stayed to lunch this week - quite an experience for them - they coped brilliantly and we look forward to them starting full time next week.

Our value at the moment is Love and Friendship. This week we have been talking about how important it is to be a good friend to others and how we can be a blessing if we are a good friend.



The KFA are holding their AGM on Thursday 20 September at 9 30 am. Please try to come along and support this as they are always looking for new members. This is a really valuable way in which you can get involved with supporting our school.

I met with our volunteers this week for a safeguarding briefing. It was lovely to welcome them back, we are so fortunate to have so many helpers. If you want to volunteer as well it's not too late - just contact the school office.

Can I ask parents to send in photos of children finding 'Grommits' during the summer? Please ensure that all photos are named on the back so that they can be safely returned! Thank you.

Today we have received our certificate to celebrate our Gold School Games Award. Well Done Kingshill!

Jan Thomson
Headteacher



Starting the school day with some active travel helps keep our children fit and healthy. It has also been shown to improve their concentration levels for the day ahead, help promote independence and can be fun!

It is great to see that many children already walk or cycle/scoot to Kingshill. We want to support this by improving the bike/scooter racks at school, delivering initiatives that encourage active travel and promote road safety at the school.

We are now working with the Sustainable Travel and Road Safety Officer at North Somerset Council to improve facilities at school and are eager to put together an application for the match funding grant available from North Somerset Council to improve facilities. We hope to run some fundraising events to contribute towards this. Currently we have just 10 cycle parking spaces at school so we hope to improve scooter and cycle parking as a priority.

We are developing a working group to assist the school so please get in touch if you would like to get involved in active travel. This would involve planning sustainable travel initiatives and events as well as supporting pupils and staff to travel to and from school using active and sustainable modes.

Kind regards

Tawny Watkins and Lisa Wood



Miss Pennell and her team would like to thank all the parents for the very successful “home visits” during the first two weeks of term.



This week saw the start of Family Forest School again. We had great fun in the forest with some beautiful craft projects and some sawing for a new game to be played later. We look forward to welcoming our new Diamond parents next week when the children are in school full time.

Happy Friday everyone



Yesterday we had a lovely tea party with the reception children and their parents. It was lovely to meet them all and to welcome them into the school.

Letters have gone home again regards our **FASHION SHOW** on **Thursday 27 September** from **7 pm onwards**. *We need to sell 60 tickets by the close of next week to stage this event otherwise sadly we will need to cancel losing our deposit plus money we had hoped to raise towards new reading books for the school.*

This event is not just for those at the school so grab your female family and friends and make a night of it. We will be selling tickets in the playground after school so come and find Sam or myself up until the 21 September or you can purchase them through the office – tickets are £5 each and make sure you order your wine (red or white) at £10 a bottle or Prosecco at £12 a bottle in advance. For more information contact Pip on 07956 276 287 or Sam on 07557 789640, email us at kingshillkfa@gmail.com or visit our events section of our Facebook page.

Our **AGM** is next Thursday (20 September) at 9 30 am, we hope to see you there. Sam and I have agreed we will be continuing for another year as Joint Chair, as well as Rachel as Vice chair and Becky as secretary. However, our Treasurer has had to step down due to work commitments. We'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Vicky for all her work and help, she will be sorely missed.

This leaves us with an opening for a **TREASURER**, so if you are interested get in touch or come along to the AGM. This is a great opportunity to learn a new role, we are a fun and enthusiastic bunch that love supporting our children at school, no experience is necessary we all work as a team and support each other. The role includes: keeping the books up to date with in and out-goings, banking money taken at all events, putting together floats for events and supporting the KFA at all events.

Finally, our **TUCK SHOPS** will be kicking off again after school on the **Friday 28 September** and will be the last Friday of the month unless stated otherwise.

Have a good weekend.

The KFA

Join Our Face Book Page for updates - 'Kingshill KFA'

Important Message from School Admissions - Year 6 pupils transferring to Year 7 September 2019

All Year 6 children will have received a 'Time to Apply' letter this week. In previous years School Admissions have sent letters to each individual child's parent/carer with a UID code. They will no longer be doing this.

Parents can apply online or by paper - all information on how to do this can be found on the North Somerset Council's website.

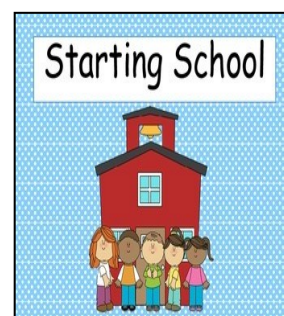
Applications can be made from Wednesday 12 September and the closing date is 31 October 2018.

Applications for children starting primary school in September 2018 opened Wednesday 12 September and will close Tuesday 15 January 2019.

Kingshill welcomes parents and children to our Reception Class Open Sessions!

Wednesday 26 September @ 11 am
Thursday 27 October @ 2 pm
Wednesday 3 October @ 11 am
Tuesday 9 October @ 2 pm

Please call the office if you would like to attend.



Attendance



Congratulations to Topaz class for achieving 98.89% attendance this week.

Well done

Forthcoming Dates

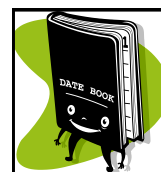
18.09.18 - Year 5/6 One Day Adventure at Mendip Outdoor Pursuits

20.09.18 - Coffee@Kingshill - 8 45 am

20.09.18 - KFA AGM - 9 30 am

26.09.18 - Reception Class Open morning 11 am

27.09.18 - KFA event Fashion Show 7 pm



Just a reminder that playtime snacks should be fruit or vegetables only.

Many thanks



We are committed to safeguarding, please see our Safeguarding Policy on our website:-
www.kingshillbwmat.org

Facebook

Just a reminder that children of primary school age should not be using Facebook.
We would ask parents not to use any social media to make comments about our school or staff -
please contact us if you need to speak to us about anything.

E-Safety Reminder

E-Safety is an important part of keeping children safe at Kingshill Church School.
Any E-Safety incidents are recorded and managed in accordance with our E-Safety Policy.
E-Safety is taught to all pupils explaining and demonstrating how to stay safe and behave appropriately online.
We can only be successful in keeping children safe online if we work with you to ensure the
E-Safety message is consistent. Your help is needed to talk to your children about how they can keep safe and
behave appropriately online, which includes not playing any 18+ playstation/Xbox/on line games as this can
lead to inappropriate games and behaviour at playtime.
May I draw your attention to the guidance/advice which is on our website.

We value parental support. Please let us know by e-mail (office@kcs.bwmat.org) calling into
the office or catch us in the playground if you have any comments to make.