



Life-long learning, Community and Friendship

John 10:10: Life in all its fullness

**Term 2
Newsletter 1
10.11.23**

Kingshill Church School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

Hope Respect Compassion Courage Perseverance Responsibility

Staying Safe

- If you have a Child Protection (Safeguarding) concern, please speak with Mrs Harvey or Mrs Culverhouse, Mrs Evans or Mrs Davies. You can also ring 01275 888690
- If you have any concern about a child being radicalised, please see a Safeguarding Lead
- If you have a cyberbullying or digital safety concern, you can contact the UK Safer Internet Centre on 0844 38147
- If you notice a Health & Safety concern, please report it to Lisa Harvey or Claire Webber

Attendance

Whole School attendance to date: 95.3%

Class with the best attendance this week: Amethyst



Diary Dates

10	Emerald Class showcase 2:45-3:15pm
13-17	Anti-bullying week NSPCC assembly 13 th – Odd socks day
13	Pupils from Ravenswood visiting Topaz Class
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16	Amethyst Class showcase 2:45-3:15pm
17	Children in Need day- donation and Tombola KFA donation- non school uniform day
22	Year R-6 First aid workshops
23	NSPCC workshop for Y5/6 in school
23	Coffee@Kingshill

24	KFA Christmas fair
25	Open morning for Reception starters 2024 at 10am
29	Garnet Class showcase 2:45-3:15pm
December	
1	Topaz Class Showcase 9-9:30am
4-7	Book fair in school
7	Kingshill Church School evening carol service at Christ Church- 6:15pm. All are welcome (changed from 14 th December)
7	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
7	Open afternoon for Reception starters 2024 at 4pm
7	Coffee@Kingshill
7	Emerald Class to Argentum Lodge 2-2.45pm
11	Pearl and Topaz Class to Argentum Lodge 11am-12pm
12	EYFS/ KS1 Nativity 10am in the hall
13	KFA Christmas Grotto Children's Christmas lunch Christmas jumper day
14	EYFS/ KS1 Nativity 2pm in the hall
19	Morning Christmas service at Christ Church- 9:30-10:30am. All are welcome
20	Last day of term
January	
2 & 3	INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED
4	Back to School
TBC	Y6 Christmas Forest School session PCSO visit Loki - Guide dog visit

Term Dates Calendar 2023-2024

Term 1	Monday 4 th September 2023 to Friday 20 th October 2023
Term 2	Monday 30 th October 2023 to Wednesday 20 th December 2023
Term 3	Thursday 4 th January 2024 to Friday 9 th February 2024
Term 4	Monday 19 th February 2024 to Thursday 28 th March 2024
Term 5	Monday 15 th April 2024 to Friday 24 May 2024
Term 6	Monday 3 rd June 2024 to Tuesday 23 rd July 2024
Inset Days – Pupils not in school	Monday 4 th September 2023
	Tuesday 5 th September 2023
	Friday 20 th October 2023
	Thursday 28 th March 2024
	Friday 24 th May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

There is much to share from our first two weeks of this term!

Please do see the pictures of the Pearl show case, the Amethyst Clifton Suspension Bridge trip and the Emerald Tithe Barn visit too.

In addition, the children have been learning and sharing their thoughts and reflections about Remembrance Day both through the week and in our Remembrance service. Our thanks to the wider church community and Mrs Hayes for joining us for the service. I know the children welcomed the opportunity to ask questions of Mrs Hayes afterwards.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Harvey

Remembrance service in school

Today, our school came together to observe a 2-minute silence and learn about Remembrance Day. We had a whole school service and shared the learning that had been happening in classrooms. We observed our 2-minute silence outside in inward facing circles. We were joined by representatives from the church and representative from the armed forces. All of the children were very respectful.



Remaining showcase dates for the term

Thank you for the survey responses about the most suitable days for showcases in each class. We have been able to shape our offer around this. Thank you to Pearl and Emerald classes for their wonderful showcases.

Topaz showcase - Friday 1st December at 9-9:30am

Garnet showcase - Wednesday 29th November 2:45-3:15pm

Amethyst showcase - Thursday 16th November at 2:45-3:15pm

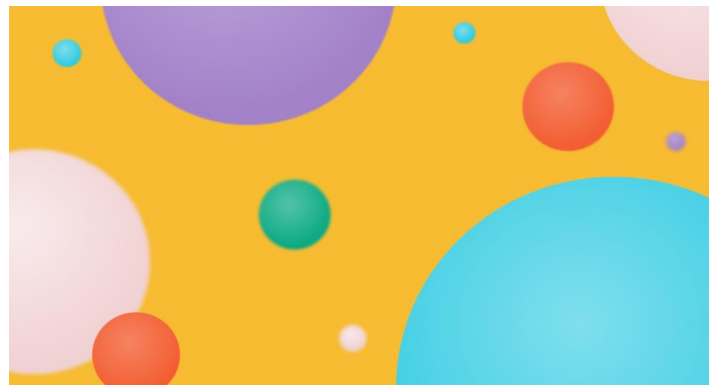
Odd socks day on Monday 13th November



On Monday we will be launching Anti-Bullying week with 'Odd Socks Day'. We are inviting the children to come into school with odd socks on for the day. Our Monday whole school service will be linked to the odd socks message and the Anti-Bullying message of 'Make a Noise about Bullying'.

The children will be taking part in activities linked to the message of 'Make a Noise about Bullying' throughout the week.

Children in Need and non-school uniform day – Donations for Christmas Fair and Children In Need please



Children in Need is on Friday 17th November. We are inviting the children to wear non-school uniform for the day. The theme is spotty, but children can wear the clothing they feel comfortable in. We have linked this with the KFA non-school uniform day for Tombola prizes.

£1 donation towards children in need for non-school uniform and a donation towards the tombola at the KFA Christmas fair. We also have some wristbands which will be available to buy at the school office from Monday 13th November, at a cost of £1 each.

- With the sequence of school photos, Remembrance Service and Children In Need, it is necessary this year for both to be on the same day.

Emerald Class trip to the Tithe Barn

On Monday, Emerald Class visited the Tithe Barn in Nailsea as part of their local history study and focus on WWII for their topic 'Whose Footsteps do we follow in?'. The children made their own evacuee labels, made rock cakes and looked at artefacts from the war.



Amethyst Class trip to the Clifton Suspension bridge and Observatory



'I loved being an engineer and building my bridge.' Max

'The views from the cave and the tower were amazing.' Esme

Garnet Class

We are learning a new story in Garnet class - Jack and the beanstalk. The children have discussed how this version of the story is similar or different to other versions they know. The children then has a chance to write their own questions to ask Jack. The children enjoyed interviewing Jack to find out more about what Jack thought, saw and felt at different points in the story.



Topaz Class

Have been making Remembrance poppies, measuring with litres and learning about the Fire of London.



Pearl Class



Pearl Class have been working with their buddies in Emerald Class. They worked together to create firework pictures and read to each other.

It was a pleasure to welcome parents of Pearl Class. The children did a splendid job of re-telling their Enormous Turnip story. Funky Fingers was fun too!

Librarians

This week the children who applied for the role of librarian were interviewed for the role. They discussed their favourite book and the skills they could bring to the role of librarian. Congratulations to all the children who interviewed as they did a brilliant job and should be proud of their performance. Offer letters for the role of librarian will be sent out over the next few days.

Family Forest School



Work of the Week

Pearl – Finley

Topaz – Amelia

Garnet – Tobias

Amethyst – Cruz

Emerald - James

Thank you to all the children who came to the disco, it was great fun. We made around £275.



Thank you to everyone who filled out the questionnaire, there was great suggestions and lovely feedback.

Next week on Thursday 16th November we are holding an open KFA meeting. This will be at the Moorend Spout at 7:30pm (in the upstairs function room).

Our Christmas fair is on Friday 24th November. This year we are introducing a hot chocolate station and mulled wine. We will also have Tombolas, Christmas merchandise, hot food, refreshments, craft, games and lots more.

If you can help with the fair with either the setting up or running a stall (either for the duration or a half hour slot) please let Rachel Kent know.

In preparation for the fair we will be holding a non-school uniform day on Friday 17th November in exchange for a tombola item or raffle prize. This is the same day as the Children In Need fundraiser so please also bring in £1 donation for wearing something spotty.

We are also looking for the following:

- Good quality primary school age toys, books, puzzles and games.
- Good quality soft toys.
- Filled jam jars with goodies for selling.
- Christmas clothing.

Please join our Facebook group - Kingshill KFA

Thank you

School Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 14th December

The school Christmas Lunch menu is attached to this newsletter, and available to order on ParentPay. Please can all orders be put on by Thursday 30th November so the food can be ordered by the kitchen, in preparation.

Please note that this day is also our Christmas Jumper day for all children and staff.



Reminders

Please remember that we are a nut free school.



Please check all packed lunch items to ensure they are nut free.



Please do not use your mobile phone while on school site. Many thanks for your support.

Please walk your scooters and bikes when on the school site.

Please remember to name your child's clothing.