Kingshill Church School
Learning, Community and Friendship

Newsletter 16.10.26

'That they may have life, life in all its fullness' John 10:10

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 Trudgeon, Mrs Mackie, 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

Value of the Term - RESPECT

Dear God,

Thank you for the gift of one another. Help us to treat everyone with kindness, fairness and respect.

Teach us to listen carefully to others, value our differences, and think about how our words and actions affect those around us.

May we show respect in our classrooms, on the playground, at home and in our community.

Help us to follow Jesus' example by caring for others and treating everyone with dignity, love and respect.

Amen.

Whole School Attendance to date: 96.4%



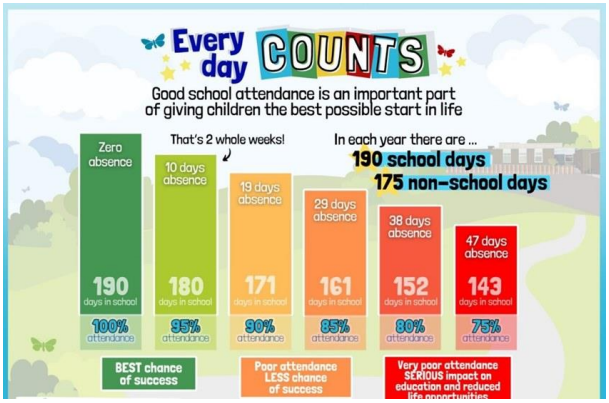
The Department for Education (DfE) is clear that good attendance is a key part of helping children succeed at school. National guidance asks schools to promote and support excellent attendance so that every child has the opportunity to benefit fully from their learning and school life. National guidance highlights that pupils with attendance below 90% are considered persistently absent, and research shows that even small amounts of missed learning can affect progress, attainment, and well-being over time.

Schools are expected not only to monitor attendance carefully but also to promote and encourage excellent attendance through positive approaches and incentives. This is why we have introduced the 100% attendance rewards, but kept the challenges manageable for families, which is why we have worked hard to offer 6 separate rewards, rather than just one at the end of the year.

At the same time, we must follow government health guidance to help keep everyone safe. If a child has been sick or has had diarrhoea, they should remain at home for 48 hours after the last episode before returning to school. This helps prevent the spread of illness within the school community and protects both children and staff.

We understand that this can sometimes feel frustrating for families, and we truly appreciate your support and understanding. Our aim is to encourage strong attendance. Thank you for working with us to support both good attendance and the health and wellbeing of everyone in our school community.

We will continue to communicate with you as our whole school community and communicate with families on an individual basis to continue our strong working partnership and ensure clarity for all.



1 - This term, we will be holding an extra Forest School session for the children with 100% attendance for Term 1.

Dear Families,

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Harvest Festival Service at Christ Church last week – we really appreciate the support from our school community.

Although the children got a little soggy on the walk to and from the church, this certainly did not dampen their spirits!

Thank you for your generous donations, which will be very much appreciated by Nailsea Foodbank.

Today, our school was transformed into a **forest of green** as children came dressed in **all sorts of leafy shades** to mark Just One Tree Day. It was wonderful to see everyone getting involved and raising money for a cause that encourages us to care for our planet and make a positive difference. **For every £1 donated, one tree will be planted!**

Kind Regards,Mrs Harvey, Mrs Trudgeon and the Kingshill school team.

Just One Tree Day - 16.10.2026

JUST ONE TREE.

Thank you to everyone who came into school today wearing something green and thank you to those people who gave a donation to the Just One Tree project. Here are some photos...

If you didn't have any cash, or forgot to bring some into school, or would like to donate more then please click the link below;

Donate to JUST ONE Tree Day 2026[1]

Thank you for showing your support and helping combat climate change. We have raised £51 today which will plant 51 trees.





[1]https://just-one-tree.givingpage.org/jot-day-2026-parents-donation?custom_C49xTe6JbGtV3Gf=KingshillChurchSchoolNailsea



Harvest Festival 09.10.26

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Harvest Service last Friday and thank you to everyone who brought in a donation for the local foodbank.



Greenslade Cake Sale 19.10.26



Greenslade Pre-School will be having a cake sale on Monday 19th October at 3pm.

Please show your support and make sure you take cash.

Thank you

Parents Evenings - 20th and 21st October



Parents Evenings this term will be on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st October.

If you haven't already booked slot then please contact the school office.

Thank you

School Photos - 22nd October



It's that time of year again!!

On Thursday 22nd October Tempest Photography will be in school to take individual photos. Please make sure your child is in full school uniform so they look nice and smart.

Thank you

Feather of the week



Barn Owl - Nairobi

Falcon - Lily W

Eagle - Elsie, Charlie-Sue

School Gates - Reminder



We would like to remind you that the **school gates open at 8.40am and close at 8.50am**. If you arrive later than this you will need to come in through the school office.

Registers close at 8.55am. Pupils who arrive later than this will be marked as late and will also need to come in through the school office.

Please remember that lateness affects attendance.

Thank you

Work of the Week



Falcon - Maisie

Eagle - Ethan, Emily

Kingshill Friends Association (KFA)

Kingshill Friends Association (KFA) Update

KFA Constitution Vote – Have Your Say!

We are currently updating and reviewing the **KFA Constitution**, which guides how our association operates and upholds its core values.

Voting is completely optional, but we want to ensure every parent, governor, and staff member has the opportunity to cast their vote and share their view.

- **Review the Changes:** Physical copies of both the original and amended constitutions are available to read in the school reception all next week.
- **Deadline:** Please submit your vote using this form; https://forms.gle/A9WPia1SX8KHFtMK7[2] by **1500, Friday, 23rd October 2026**,when the vote will officially close.

First KFA Committee Meeting – This Sunday!

We're having our first committee meeting of the school year this **Sunday at 3:00 PM** (68 Southfield Road). Whether you want to offer support, bring ideas or simply find out a bit more about what we do and how we operate, everyone is welcome! If you are unable to attend but have ideas you wish to share, feel free to email the KFA email or grab one of the committee members. We are always open to new ideas!

[2] https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.gle%2FA9WPia1SX8KHFtMK7&data=05|02||918daa9fa63640fc849f08df2a3a1b74|912786cd1df04ebe8f3f5f44c5f47805|0|0|639276101228203243|Unknown|TWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D|0|||&sdata=gy8HSXppIjEl4cWuyklt6KBVAjQ4Al6UwOo%2Fvf75foE%3D&reserved=0

Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies – Order Reminder

A quick reminder to all **Year 6 parents** that orders are being submitted to our supplier first thing **Monday morning**. If you haven't done so already, please fill out the ordering form (sent via the school office) as soon as possible so we can get all the hoodies ordered in time for Christmas!

Thank you for your continued support!

The KFA Committee

Barn Owl Class

Barn Owl has had a fantastic week learning about our topic London. We have all enjoyed making London skylines and using the red London bus that we all painted.

This week we have been learning about human and physical features including those in London and we ala continue to try our best and join in wonderfully with phonics and Maths, learning all the new sounds and finding new ways to compare numbers.

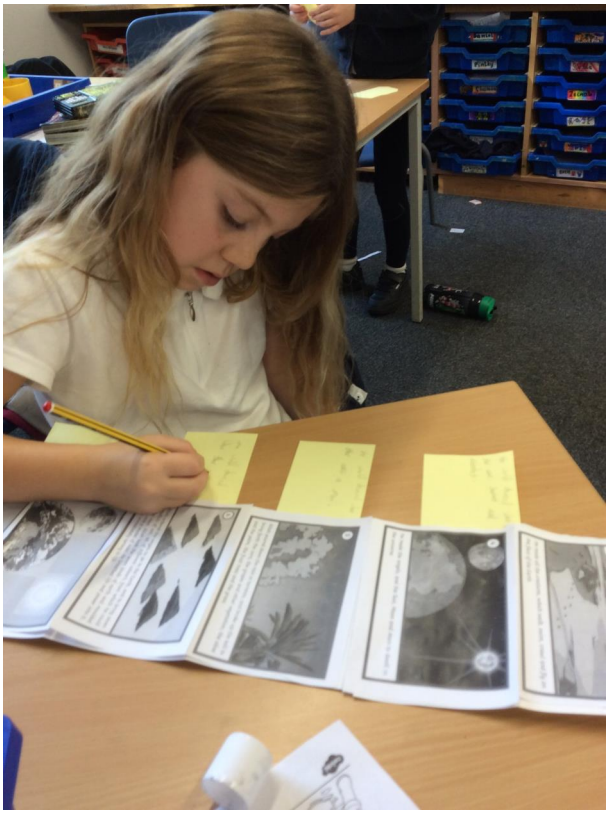
Falcon class

In Falcon Class, we were very proud to showcase our harvest artwork at the Harvest Festival on Friday. We carefully observed the shapes and patterns of different fruits and vegetables and enjoyed experimenting with oil pastels to create bright, vibrant images.

In Maths, we have been developing our understanding of place value. We have enjoyed rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1,000, as well as adding and subtracting ones, tens, hundreds and thousands.

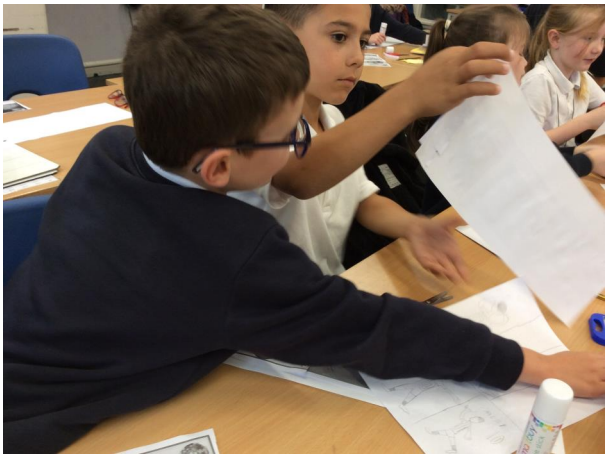
We have also been exploring the question, *“How do different people think the world started?”* We have learned about the Christian and Jewish creation stories and, this week, compared them with the Muslim creation story, considering both the similarities and differences.

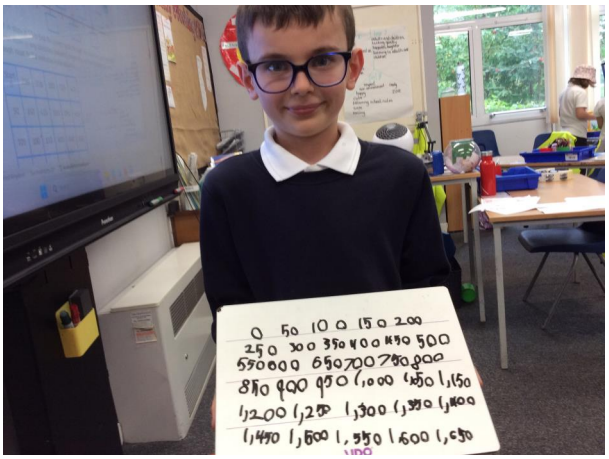
In Jigsaw, we have been learning about what makes a good team and the different roles people have within our school community. We enjoyed working collaboratively to discuss how everyone contributes to our school and learned that every role is important and valued.

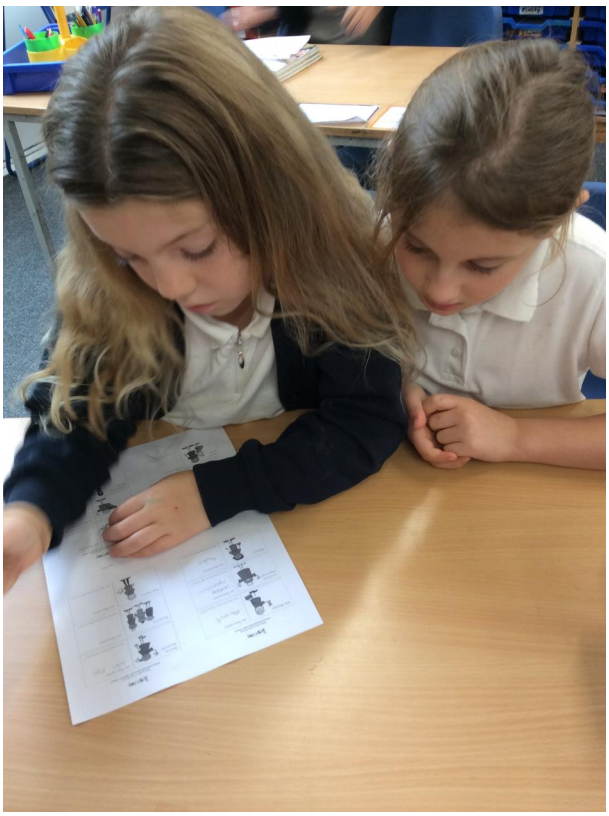


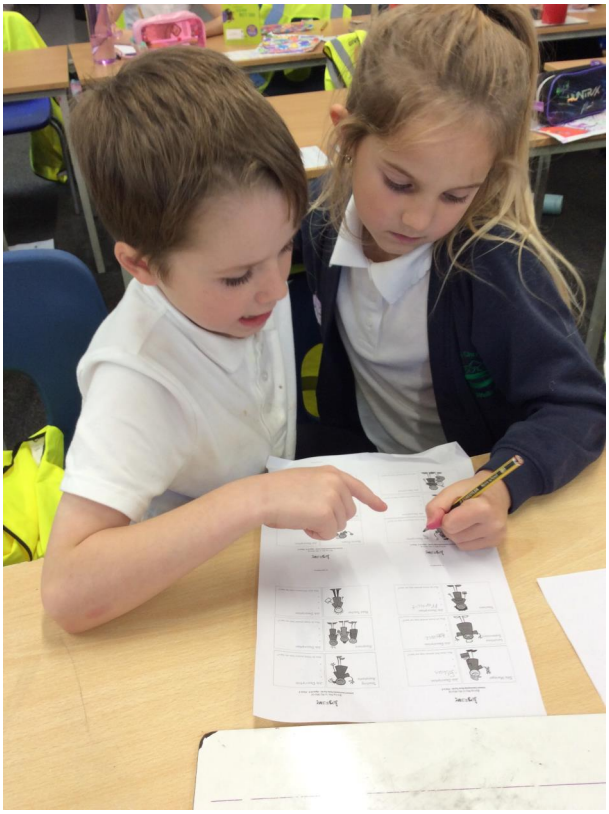


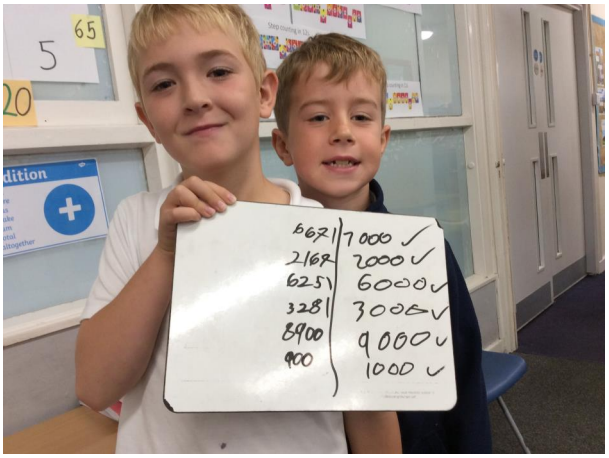





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Eagle Class

Eagle have continued working hard as we come towards the end of Term 1.

In maths, we have been working on addition and subtraction methods as well as understanding what happens when we multiply and divide numbers by 10, 100 and 1000.

In writing, we have created excellent mind maps with powerful vocabulary based on a video stimulus called 'Beyond The Lines'. We have also thought about how we can develop and connect our writing with prepositional phrases and fronted adverbials. We are looking forward to applying all of these to our second piece of 'best writing' next week which is a description of the battlefield from the perspective of a soldier.

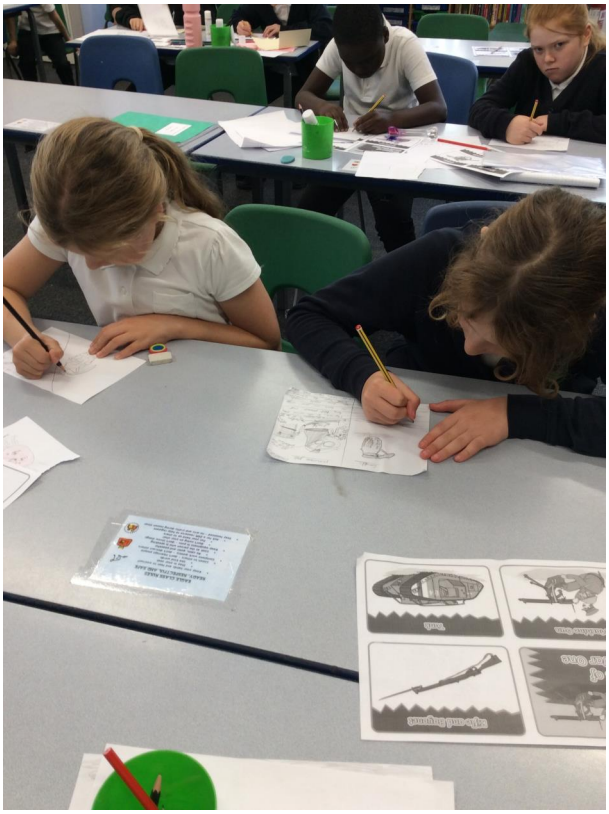
In our PE unit of basketball, we have been developing our skills of passing - using chest passes and shoulder passes. Then we thought about defensive tactics and had a go in small groups. Next week, we will be developing shooting skills and - hopefully - applying them all to a game.

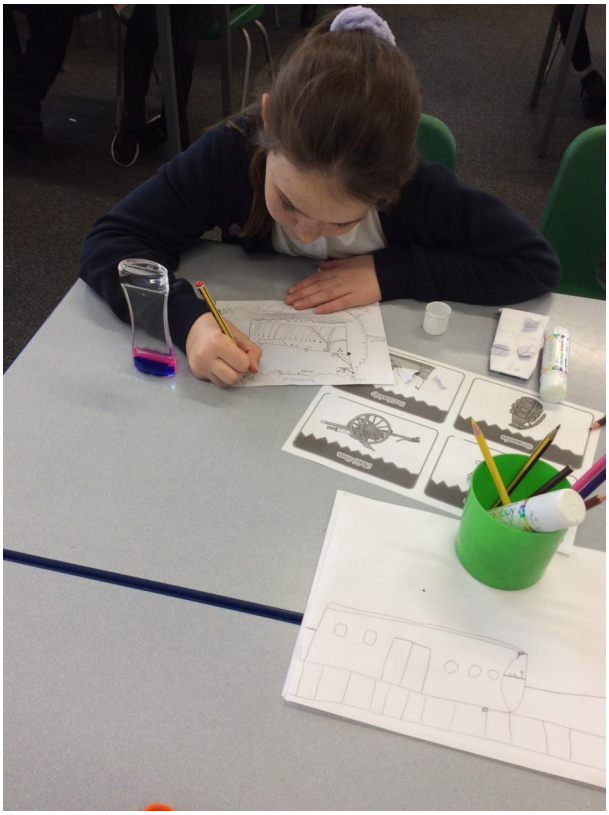
In history, we have learnt about weapons that were used and developed in WW1 and had a go at making careful drawings of these and labelling them with information.

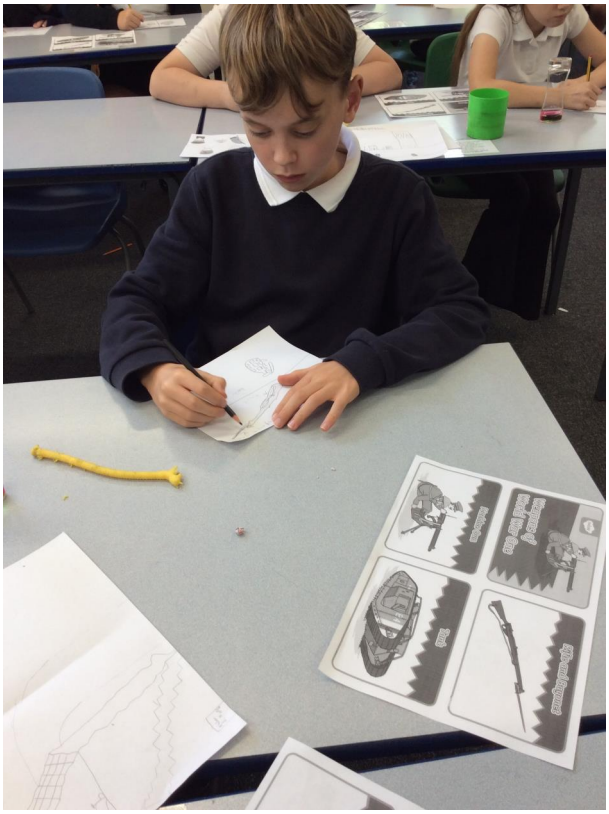






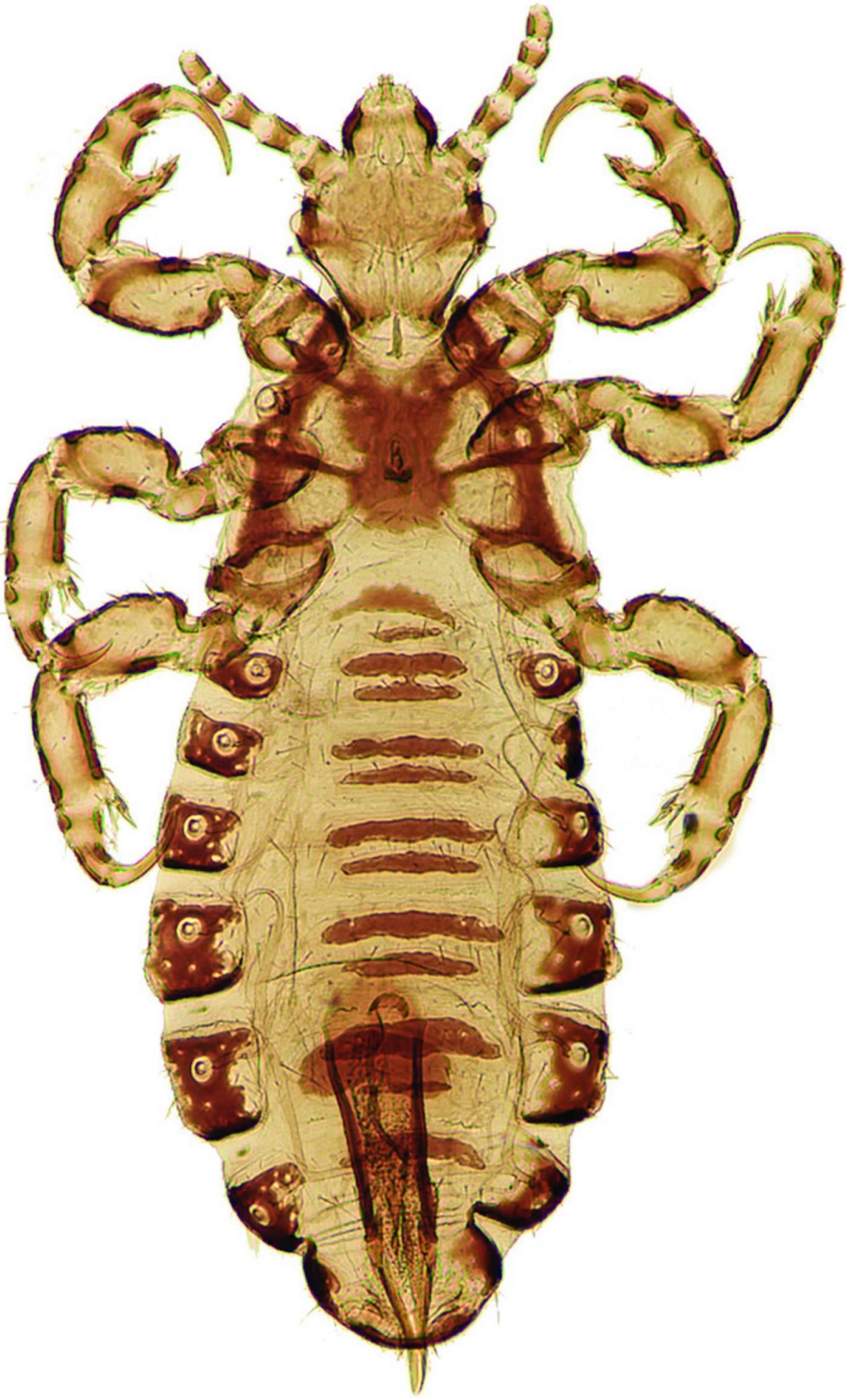








Head Lice



To support our school community, please check your child's hair carefully and regularly.

If your child does have live lice, the school nurse has recommended the 'Bug Busting' approach to eradicate the problem. The procedure to follow is:

- Wash your child's hair normally
- Rub conditioner into the hair
- Use a nit-comb to brush through the hair thoroughly until all lice are removed
- Do this every other day for two weeks
- Continue to check the hair weekly.

If the head lice infestation is particularly bad, specialist treatments can be bought from pharmacists but the school nurse recommends that you check that the product kills the eggs as well as the head lice.

Thank you in anticipation of your co-operation in this matter.

Reminders

- **Please remember that we are a nut free school.** ***Please check all packed lunch items to ensure they are nut free.***

- **Only healthy snacks are to be eaten at breaktimes** ***such as fresh fruit or vegetables. Crisps and chocolate is only allowed to be eaten at lunchtime.***

- ***In colder weather, please remember to bring in coats everyday.***

- ***In warmer weather, please remember to put sun cream on your child and ensure they have water bottles and sunhats.***

- **Please remember no toys** ***are to be brought in from home. We cannot be responsible for lost items.***

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

- ***Please remember to name all of your child's clothing.***

- ***Please remember that if you move house, change your phone number or change your email address it is important that you let the school office know ASAP.***

Academic Year 2026-2027

Term 1 – Thursday 3rd September 2026 to Friday 23rd October 2026

Term 2 – Monday 2nd November 2026 to Friday 18th December 2026

Term 3 – Monday 4th January 2027 to Friday 12th February 2027

Term 4 – Monday 22nd February 2027 to Thursday 25th March 2027

Term 5 – Monday 12th April 2027 to Friday 28th May 2027

Term 6 – Monday 7th June 2027 to Friday 23rd July 2027

INSET DAYS – Pupils not in school:

Thursday 3rd September 2026

Friday 4th September 2026

Thursday 25th March 2027

Monday 7th June 2027

Thursday 8th July 2027

Calendar Dates Term 1 and 2

October

20 Parents Evening 3.30 – 6pm

21 New Reception Open Session at 1.30pm

21 Parents Evening 3.30 - 6pm

22 Tempest in for individual photos

w/c 26 HALF TERM (SCHOOL CLOSED)

November

4 Year 6 visit to the LifeSkills Centre

9 New Reception Open Session at 10am

10 Falcon Class visit to Argentum Lodge

11 Remembrance Service in school

12 Falcon Class trip

w/c 16 Anti-bullying week

16 Coffee Morning at 9am

16 Odd socks day

16 Eagle class ASB talk from Police

20 Children In Need – please wear something spotty

20 Eagle class visit to Argentum Lodge

25 Falcon class showcase at 2.45pm

December

3 New Reception Open Session at 10am

4 Coffee Morning at 2pm

8 EYFS Nativity performance at 10am

10 EYFS Nativity performance at 2pm

11 Eagle class showcase at 2.45pm

14 Year 6 height and weight measurements

14 Christmas Service at 9.30am at Christ Church

14 Christmas Carol Service at Christ Church at 6pm

16 Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Lunch, KFA Santa's Grotto

w/c 21 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS (SCHOOL CLOSED)