

NEWS



A SCHOOL FOR ALL, WITH COMMUNITY AT ITS HEART

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Message from the Head Teacher

Welcome back to a new academic year!

A warm welcome to our new families—thank you for choosing Little Kingshill for your child's education. We are excited to share another action-packed year of learning and growth with you all.

If you have any concerns at any point, please start by contacting your child's class teacher, who will be happy to assist. Should you still feel your concern has not been resolved, you are welcome to reach out to a member of the senior management team, including myself, and we will do our best to help.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Dodd

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Meet the Teacher for Reception to Year 6 Classes

Monday 14th September 3:15pm-4:00pm

After school, on Monday 14th, there will be the opportunity for you to see your child's class and acquaint yourself with their class teacher.

The teachers will place their class information presentation up on the class page at the latest the Friday before. This will mean you can have a look at it before the occasion and then be able to ask any questions that may arise with the teacher. The presentations will remain on the class pages for anyone who is unable to make the meeting.

Ordering School Dinners

All children in Reception through to Year 6, who will be having a school lunch, will need an order placed for them by midday on the Friday before the week ahead at the latest via www.kidslunch.co.uk

If your child has any specific dietary requirements please make sure that you have completed the details on your account with the company.

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are eligible for universal free school meals. However, free school meals are also available to pupils in Years 3 – 6 whose parents receive certain benefits. Eligibility for FSM may also mean that we can receive Pupil Premium for your child. This money can be used towards raising attainment or towards school trips. Please complete and return the attached form by Friday 11th September should you believe yourself to be eligible, even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2.

Permission to collect

If another adult will be collecting your child on a regular basis, please complete the attached Authorisation to Collect form and hand this to your child's teacher.

For ad hoc changes to arrangements, please ensure that you tell your child's teacher or email the office at the beginning of the day. Please do not send an email after midday as we cannot guarantee that they will be read in time.

Next Friday – FOLKS Family Social

Everyone is invited to an informal get-together on the field after school where we will be selling ice creams and refreshments. It will be a great way to kick-start the new school year and catch up with friends, this event will be weather dependent, fingers crossed for some sunshine!

Absences

If your child is going to be absent owing to illness or an urgent medical appointment, please ensure that you call the main school number and leave a message (option 1) before 8.30am, so that the office can advise teachers before they start the day. We will telephone, where we do not have a reason for absence, to ensure the safety of our children. If you are aware that your child will be absent from school in advance, please advise us in advance.

Forgotten items

We encourage the children to be independent from an early age and ask parents to support us in this. Children are more likely to remember next time if you don't bring in forgotten items.

Packed Lunches from Home

Please may I bring to your attention the fact that we have children at school who have life threatening allergies to nuts and dairy products. We therefore request that all packed lunches are free of nut products including peanut butter. Please could we also request that any foods that contain dairy products are in an easy to open wrapper/container to try and avoid spillages. If your child has eaten a breakfast that contains the above allergens, please could you ensure they wash their hands. Your support in these matters is greatly appreciated.

Please also be aware of our carbon footprint and consider using reusable containers and wrappers wherever possible to reduce our overall wastage.

Dates for your diary

Please look out for a more complete list in future newsletters and on parentmail, but in the meantime, please note the following:

Stop and Share – Monday 5th October (3.15-4.15pm)

Pupil Progress Meetings – Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th October (3.30-7pm)

Congratulations

Well done to Jack and Olivia who have been raising money for Young Lives Vs Cancer. It is the only charity in the UK with specialist social workers who provide tailored support to children and young people with cancer, and their families.

The challenge was to complete 1 mile a day, every day for 31 days between the 1st - 31st August. You could run, walk, skip, swim, wheel or scoot, or whatever way you want to cover the distance. Every mile counts.

Jack and Olivia managed a combined total of 138 miles and so far have raised £300.

Here is a link to the fundraising page should anyone else wish to contribute to a fantastic cause.



Team Fawbert

fundraise.younglivesvscancer.org.uk

Club News

Please refer to the timetable on the website which shows all of the clubs which will be operating this term. Our clubs run by school staff are available to book via Parentmail from tomorrow morning. Please be aware that not all clubs start next week and teacher led clubs start in the week commencing 15th September. Some of our clubs are very popular and once fully booked cannot accept any more children. We do not keep waiting lists as experience tells us that places do not become available during the term. There will be no clubs for Reception children as we would like them to concentrate on settling in to the school routine first.

Picture News

Picture news is an online resource designed specifically for Primary aged pupils. It will highlight any current news items or areas of interest to the children, whilst also linking the article to British values, protected characteristics and children's rights according to the United Nations. As a school we use it once a week for a class assembly, so that we can use the differentiated resource appropriately for the classes. It always starts with a big picture and question which then facilitates the lesson and allows the opportunity for pupils to ask questions and gain a wider understanding of the world around them. Each week I will place what the picture and topic was for the week in the newsletter. Should you so wish to, you can then discuss this further with your child at home using the questions and information provided.

We will begin placing the articles in next week's newsletter.

Week commencing 7th September ... at a glance

Monday	
Tuesday	Secondary Transfer Test Practice
Wednesday	
Thursday	Secondary Transfer Test
Friday	FOLKS Family Fun Afternoon