

NEWSLETTER 2 – Friday 3rd May 2019

Transition arrangements to support children moving on to reception

Thank you to everyone who came to the workshops ‘Getting Ready for Primary School’ on Monday 29th April. If you were unable to come there is a document on our website to support your child with transition, which we hope you find useful:

<http://kingswood.herts.sch.uk/publication/view/top-tips-to-prepare-your-child-for-starting-school/>

It has been good to see that so many nursery parents ARE allowing their children to be independent in the cloakroom areas at drop off times. Thank you. Developing this independence is very important. Please try not to block the doorway, so that other children can get through. During these sessions the children do not meet the teachers of Kingsway.

Transitions arranged with Kingsway Infant School:

Because Kingsway is our nearest school, they very kindly invite all of our children who are moving on to reception in September, up for visits so that they can have some experience of a new school. We are aware that not all of the children will be transferring to Kingsway and we explain this to them, but all of them enjoy the excitement of the visits!

All of the children will go in groups to Kingsway to experience a session in the main hall on Tuesday 11th June and Tuesday 18th June.

On Friday 5th July all of the children are invited to Kingsway for a taster lunch!

We also arrange for some of our ex pupils to come and talk about what it is like to be in reception and our children get a chance to ask questions.

If the nursery staff need help with volunteers to walk up they will put a list by the door.

Please note: If your child is transferring to Kingsway Infant School you will be invited to take your child up to meet the teacher and experience the classroom. Kingswood Nursery are not involved in these visits.



‘Walk or Roll to School Wednesdays’ will start on Wednesday 8th May! Each child who has walked, rode or scooted to school will get a stamp at the gate!

**Hopefully the children will encourage their parents to walk at least part of the way!
Go on, you know it is good for you!**

Charlotte on maternity leave

Charlotte’s last day with us is on Thursday 9th May when she will be starting her maternity leave.

I am sure you will join me in wishing Charlotte all the best for baby number two.

Exciting days ahead! We can’t wait to hear the news!



Admissions into Kingswood Nursery class – September 2019

We have some places available in our Nursery and Pre-School for September 2019. Please ask any friends to give us a call if they are still looking for a place!

Governor vacancy coming up soon:

One of our long standing governors will be leaving us soon. If you are interested in supporting the school and becoming a member of the Governing Body then please let us know.

Have a look on our website to find out more about the role of governors:

<http://kingswood.herts.sch.uk/about-us/meet-the-governors/>



Wednesday 15th May

'Maths – more than just number' Workshops for parents

10.30, 12.30, 6pm – letter coming out next week.

SUMMER TERM 2019 Forthcoming diary dates:

Date	Time	Event	Place
Monday 6th May	SCHOOL CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY		
Tuesday 7th May	11am and 12.30pm	Singing and Story sessions with your child	Nursery/Pre-School classrooms
Wednesday 8th May	2-3pm 5-6pm	New Parents meetings for Nursery September new entrants	Nursery classroom
Wednesday 15th May	10.30, 12.30, 6pm	'Maths – more than just number' workshops for parents	Staffroom
Thursday 16th May	6-7pm	New Parents meeting for Nursery September new entrants	Nursery classroom
Tuesday 21st May	8.30-9.40am or 12.30-1.40pm <i>Please note new times</i>	Open sessions for parents – Maths and Science open sessions. Come and play with your child and join in with their learning.	Nursery/Pre-School classrooms and garden areas.
Thursday 23rd May	September new entrant's paperwork back by today		

May Half-Term W/B 28th May: **'Maths is all around us'** family learning challenge.

Wednesday 5th June	11am and 12.30pm	Singing and Story sessions with your child	Nursery/Pre-School classrooms
Monday 10th June	9.30-10.30 1.30-2.30	September new entrant's open sessions. Come and see the nursery class in action.	Nursery classroom
Friday 14th June	8.30-10am or 12.30-2pm	FUDGE (Fathers, Uncles, Dads, Grandads and every other male carer) open sessions. Come and play with your child and join in with their learning.	Nursery/Pre-School classrooms and garden areas.
Thursday 20th June	9.30-10.30 1.30-2.30	September new entrant's open sessions. Come and see the nursery class in action.	Nursery classroom
Tuesday 25th June	9.30-10.30 1.30-2.30	September new entrant's open sessions. Come and see the nursery class in action.	Nursery classroom
Thursday 4th July	10.30-11.30am 2.30-3.30pm	Grandparents 'Tea and Cake' invitation. <i>To celebrate the wonderful contribution Grandparent's make!</i>	Weather permitting in the playground.
Tuesday 16th July	10-10.45	Last Baby Rhyme Time for this term	Staffroom
Wednesday 17th July	11.15-12.45	Family Picnic Enjoy a picnic with your child – all family members welcome.	Weather permitting in the garden.
Friday 19th July	Last day of Summer Term. School open 10-12 noon. Fuzzy Duzzy booked!		

SUMMER TERM 2019

April 2019	
Tuesday 23rd April	STAFF TRAINING DAY - closed
Wednesday 24th April	TERM STARTS
May 2019	
Monday 6th May	School closed – May Bank Holiday
Monday 27th – Friday 31st May	HALF TERM
July 2019	
Friday 19th July	END OF TERM open 10-12pm
Monday 22nd July	STAFF TRAINING DAY - closed
Tuesday 23rd July	STAFF TRAINING DAY - closed
Wednesday 24th July	OCCASIONAL DAY - closed

AUTUMN TERM 2019

September 2019

Monday 2 nd September	STAFF TRAINING DAY - closed
Tuesday 3 rd September	STAFF TRAINING DAY - closed
Wednesday 4 th September	TERM STARTS
October 2019	
Monday 28 th October – Fri 1 st November	HALF TERM – School closed
December 2019	
Friday 20 th December	END OF TERM open 10-12pm
CHRISTMAS BREAK - MONDAY 23 rd DECEMBER FRIDAY 3 rd JANUARY	

SPRING TERM 2020

January 2020

Monday 6 th January	STAFF TRAINING DAY - closed
February 2020	
Monday 17 th - Friday 21 st February	HALF TERM
April 2020	
Friday 3 rd April	END OF TERM open 10-12pm
EASTER BREAK - MONDAY 6 th APRIL – FRIDAY 17 th APRIL	

SUMMER TERM 2020

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Tuesday 21 st April	TERM STARTS
May 2020	
Monday 4 th May	School closed – May Day
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th May	HALF TERM
July 2020	
Friday 17 th July	END OF TERM open 10-12pm
Monday 20 th July	STAFF TRAINING DAY - closed
Tuesday 21 st July	OCCASIONAL DAY - closed