

NEWSLETTER 5 – 17th March 2017



To all of our Irish families!
Have a great day! 17th March 2017

CLOSING TODAY! CLOSING TODAY! – 17th March - Last chance to apply!

Applying for a Nursery place for September 2017

If your child was born between 1st Sep 2013 and 31 Aug 2014 you need to apply for a nursery place for them to start from Sep 2017. This is the case even if your child is currently in our Pre-School class or Nursery Green afternoon group with Petra.

Please visit our website to see our Admissions Policy.



Calling all mums! Save the date!

There will be celebrations on

Friday 24th March at 11am and 12.30

Please come and join us for a short assembly in either the Nursery or Pre-School Classroom.

Extreme Reading Challenge

Thank you to all of the children and staff who took part in this challenge!

The entries we received were captivating! They included reading:

- * in the bath * under a table * in bed * in a dust cart * wearing dressing up clothes * on a slide * up trees
- * on Daddy's shoulders * on a slide * in a wash basket * on a roof * in a tree house * on the toilet * on cars
- * at the hospital * buried in the sand * whilst having a hair cut * on the trampoline * hanging upside down
- * on a climbing frame * up a ladder * sitting on a dustbin * on a bike * under a bush * in a cupboard
- * in a box * in a homemade camp (eating marshmallows) * on a bouncy castle * at Ashridge
- * beside a huge aeroplane picture * sitting on a dinosaur

We couldn't possibly chose a winner from these 29 delightful entries and so every child who took part will receive a book to say well done and carrying on reading!

Outstanding payments to school

As it will soon be the end of the financial year it is very important that all outstanding payments are made to school urgently. We must make the books balance so we can start preparing our budget for next year. **Please send in any outstanding payments urgently.**

Parking outside school.

Thank you everyone who has supported us by not parking on our residents dropped kerbs. I am pleased to say there has been a noticeable reduction in phone calls to the office. I did give copies of the letters to our local residents and know that several of them did contact the Parking Service as mentioned in my last newsletter. Last week we had two parking officers and our local PCSO Keith Sayers on patrol. Please keep up respectful parking!



From the Summer Term we will be introducing 'Walk or Roll to School Wednesdays'. Each child who has walked, rode or scooted to school will get a stamp at the gate!

**Hopefully the children will encourage the parents to walk!
You know it is good for you!**

Recent website additions

Thanks to Charlotte who put together the 'Bedtime Story Session' photos. It was great to see mums and dads in pyjamas too! <http://kingswood.herts.sch.uk/publication/view/bedtime-story-session-march-2017/>

And our wonderful visit from Lord Listowel has been captured in photographs - follow the link: <http://kingswood.herts.sch.uk/publication/view/the-earl-of-listowel-visits-kingswood-march-2017/>

**There are some great ideas on our website for learning at home.
Please spend some time having a look and give us your feedback!**

<http://kingswood.herts.sch.uk/>

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY SHOW

27th & 28th May 2017

If you have never been to the Herts County Show this is something you may like to take your children to.

Admission is free for children under 5 and adult tickets are £15.20 if ordered in advance.

<http://www.bradsons.co.uk/tickets/2017/05/27/hertfordshire-county-show-2017/>

So many lovely things happen at Kingswood every day, but I must say that the 'Moment from Home' I received today from the 'Mum's Night Out' really made my day!

Some of these lovely mums are helping me to plan for Kingswood's 75th anniversary. Our Nursery School was built in 1942 and so we will be celebrating in September 2017. We have arranged our first planning meeting for Wednesday 22nd March at 8.40am after drop off time.

EVERYONE is welcome! Come and help us make some plans!

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NEED
FUN!

SPRING TERM 2017 Forthcoming diary dates:

Date	Time	Event	Place
Friday 17th March	Deadline to apply for a maintained school Nursery place to start in September 2017		
w/b Monday 20th March	By appointment	Parent/staff consultations for those Nursery children who joined in Sep 2016	Staffroom
Thursday 23rd March	11am and 12.30pm	Sarah Moreton to tell nursery children a story and play the guitar.	Nursery classroom
Friday 24th March	11am and 12.30pm	Mother's Day celebration	Nursery classroom and Pre-School classroom
Friday 31st March	Last day of Spring Term. School open 10-12 noon. Theatre production of 'The Gruffalo'		

SCHOOL CLOSED from Monday 3rd April until we re-open on Tuesday 18th April 2017

SUMMER TERM 2017

April 2017	
Tuesday 18TH April	TERM STARTS - children back
May 2017	
Monday 1st May	May Day - school closed
Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June	HALF TERM
June 2017	
Friday 30th June	STAFF TRAINING DAY - school closed
July 2017	
Thursday 20th July	END OF TERM open 10-12pm
Friday 21st July	STAFF TRAINING DAY - school closed
Monday 24th July	STAFF TRAINING DAY - school closed