

Kinsale Infant School
July 2021 Newsletter

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Diary Dates

July 2021		
1 July	PM	Y1 & 2 Virtual Big Sing
2 July		Miss Edmead (Student teacher) last day at school
8 July	All day	Y2 Horstead Activity Day
9 July	All day	Sports Activity Dress Up Day – dress as your favourite sports person
12 July	All day	Sports activities in bubbles – wear PE kit all day
13 July	All day	Sports activities in bubbles – wear PE kit all day
w/b 12 July		End of Year Reports out to parents
16 July	All day	Y2 Transition to Kinsale Junior School (9.15am – 2.45pm) Rec and Y1 meet new teachers and TAs
19 July	PM	Hot chocolate Monday!
21 July		Last day of summer term
22 July	All day	INSET – school closed to pupils
September 2021		
2 Sept		INSET DAY – school closed to pupils
3 Sept		INSET DAY – school closed to pupils
6 Sept		Y1 AND Y2 Children back to school! New Reception children meet their teachers
7 Sept		New Reception children start school (part time)
15 Sept		Reception children attend full time
October 2021		
7 Oct	am	Individual photographs
Wb 25 Oct		Half Term holiday

Attendance

	Week beginning 7 th June	Week beginning 14 th June	Week beginning 21 st June	Week beginning 28 th June
Leopards - Reception	95	92	97	97
Tigers - Reception	98	100	95	100
Lions – Year 1	99	99	96	97
Pandas – Year 1	98	99	98	99
Elephants – Year 2	97	96	96	97
Giraffes – Year 2	98	97	97	97

Good school attendance and punctuality is crucial and impacts hugely on learning and progress.

Thank you to all parents and carers who value and support their child's good attendance at school.

If your child has a minor cough, cold, aches, pains or tiredness and you are in two minds whether to send them to school, please send them into school and we will ring you if they feel unwell during the school day.

Children should not be absent from school for routine medical and dental appointments. Please endeavour to make these at the end of the school day or during the holidays.

Children's attendance is measured in sessions throughout the year, and they are marked in for a morning session and an afternoon session everyday (2 sessions per day).

Please remember....

All school reading books must be returned to school for the summer break so they can be audited and replaced if necessary. Please return all books and reading record books to your class teacher by Monday 12th July at the latest. Any lost or damaged books must be paid for please (£4.00 per book will be charged).

Sports Celebration Days

Unfortunately due to Covid-19 restrictions parents won't be able to attend sports day this year but we are still going ahead with a number of sporting activities over three Sports Celebration Days in year group bubbles.

Friday 9th July – We are inviting all children to come to school dressed as their favourite sports person or in their favourite sports clothes. There will be one small prize per class for the best dressed “sports person”!

Monday 12th July – The children will spend the morning, with their year group bubble, completing traditional sports day team challenges to win points for their coloured team. In the afternoon, the children will take part in a sponsored bubble run on the school field.

Tuesday 13th July - The children will spend the morning, with their year group bubble, competing in individual races on the school field. In the afternoon, we will hold an Awards Presentation, via Zoom, in which we will announce the winning team and celebrate the children's achievements.

When the children are not taking part in the above activities, they will be experiencing a range of fun activities linked to fitness, physical development and well-being in their normal classes.

Please ensure your child wears their PE kit to school on Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th July.

Reports

Your child's annual academic report will be emailed to you during the week of 12th July.

Your child will bring home a sheet with their own views about their learning on Monday 12th July.

Staggered times for sept...

We feel the staggered start and finish to the school day have helped the children to begin and end their day calmly which is really beneficial to their learning, so want to continue something similar in September. Your child can be dropped off to their classroom door **between 8.50am-9.00am** and then collected **between 3.00pm-3.10pm** from 6th September 2021. The letter your name begins with will not affect the time you drop off or collect your child. The first bell will go at 8.50am when the classroom door will open and again at 9.00am when the classroom door will close. Please ensure your child is in school by this time.

Uniform reminder for Sept...

Please ensure your child is in the correct uniform from September (grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress or a blue checked summer dress, white polo T-shirt and navy blue jumper/ sweatshirt or cardigan) with sensible black shoes and if they have long hair, that their hair accessories are navy blue.

September 2021... Not long now!

The children in Reception and Year 1 will be meeting their new teachers and support staff on Friday 16th July. They will spend the day in their new classrooms, and will be very excited to tell you about their new year group at the end of the day.

We wish the Year 2 children luck as they enjoy time at their new junior schools. It is an exciting time, but there is also an element of anticipation!

Goodbye and Good Luck!

It is the time of year when we are sad to say a fond farewell to a number of staff. We will be bidding farewell to Mrs Faithorn, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Renegado who are moving onto pastures new. We would like to thank them all for their hard work and commitment to Kinsale over the last few years, especially during the Pandemic, and wish them all the best for the future.

We would like to say goodbye to Mrs Grand, our finance officer here for 6 years, who is relocating to another part of Norfolk. She has worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure the school's finances are in order. She is so efficient and well organised, we would like to say a massive thank you to her, for all of her hard work and commitment to Kinsale Infant. We wish her lots of luck in the move and her new job.

We would like to wish Mrs Sidy and her husband lots of luck with the upcoming birth of their baby, who is due in September. We can't wait to meet the new arrival!

Finally we need to wish Mrs Lake, our office manager, a Happy Retirement! She has been the face of our office for over 5 years and has the office organised perfectly so everything runs smoothly! She has worked extremely hard during the Pandemic, to ensure contact with the school was as normal as possible during the period of school closures. We would like to thank her for all of her hard work and commitment to Kinsale and wish her a relaxing and enjoyable retirement.

Thank you

I would like to extend my thanks to all parents and carers who have worked with us to support all elements of school life at Kinsale over the last academic year. It has been a challenging year but hopefully life can return to normality very soon! The way you supported your children with remote learning was fantastic, and the amount of progress children have made this year is brilliant, considering schools were closed for nearly a term. We value the fantastic support you give, and are so proud of all of our children who have coped so well during the Pandemic and really enjoyed their learning, whether they were at home or in school. We wish all the year 2 children best wishes as they continue on their educational journeys, and we look forward to welcoming the new children in September.

I hope you enjoy reading your child's end of year annual report, and my thanks are extended to all the staff here at Kinsale for their exceptional hard work and commitment to the children and our school, especially during the Pandemic. We would appreciate you returning the completed comments form which will be emailed to you week beginning July 12th. This helps us to plan and improve.

On behalf of the Governors and staff, I wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable summer break!

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