



# Kingskerswell

Church of England Primary School

Achieve, Believe and Create Together

Jeremiah 29:11.

For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

## MESSAGE FROM MRS MILLER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all those families who supported our Easter services in Church, and to all of you who came and shared Koala and Crocodile classes' service in school. This has been an incredibly busy term, with lots going on- we hope you enjoy seeing photos of some of the events in this newsletter!

If you haven't yet paid for your child's First Aid training, please do so- it's really valuable in helping them know what to do in an emergency and it's also a great confidence-giver. Following the last set of training, one of our pupils was able to recognise that a family member was in trouble, ring 999 and liaise with paramedics- it can quite literally help to save lives.

We would like to let you know that Andy Smith, our school caretaker, leaves us during the Easter holiday, after being with us for five years. We know that you will join us in wishing him all the very best in the future.

We wish you all a super Easter holiday and look forward to seeing everyone bright-eyed and bushy-tailed on Monday 17th April!

Kind regards,  
Rachel Miller

Headteacher

## ACHIEVEMENTS

We love celebrating the children's achievements, both in and out of school.

Millie Y - Dance Show performance in tap, ballet & modern, Palace Theatre.

James S - Swimming certificate Stage 2

Bethany S - Swimming Certificate 200m

Lily H- Swimming Certificate Stage 2

Lilian B - Swimming Certificate 50m

Noah L- Football, player of the match

Tiffany W, Noola P: Accelerated Reader  
Millionaires

[Congratulations to the Easter Garden winners](#)

Reception: George R,

Year 1: Myla P

Year 2: Finlay B

Year 3: Hektor M

Year 4: Fearne K

Year 5: Harrison W

Year 6: Lewis B

## UPCOMING DATES

Please check the School App for updates.

### March

22nd -21st Apr: Ramadan

31st: Break-up for Easter

### April

5th-13th: Passover

7th: Good Friday

9th: Easter Sunday

10th: Easter Monday

17th: Back-to-school

21st-22nd: Eid al-Fitr

23rd: St. George's Day



## FOREST SCHOOL

What have Forest School been up to this month?



Reception children demonstrated fantastic safety around their first Forest School fire, where they toasted marshmallows to make delicious s'mores.



Year 1 and 2 developed their nature skills, learning how to use leaves and bark to identify different trees. Once we found an elder tree in the woodland, we used its branches to make beautiful wooden jewellery.



Year 3 and 4 have been working on two different projects. Half the children have been learning to use a sheath knife, whilst the other half completed a team survival challenge.



Year 5 and 6 successfully used their fire knowledge to boil water in Kelly Kettles. As a reward they made tasty hot chocolate.

## CLUBS

Monday 3.30-4.30pm

KS2 Drama Club\*

Year 3/4 Lego Club

Wednesday 3.30-4.30pm

Year 5/6 Archery

KS2 Girls Football

Tuesday 3.30-4.30pm

Homework Club\*

EYFS & Year 1/2 Football

KS1/KS2 Gardening Club

LKS2 Yoga & Mindfulness Club

Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm

KS1 Tag Rugby

KS2 French Club

Fridays 12.30-1.15pm

Reading for Pleasure

Tuesday 3.30-4.15pm

Year 1/2 Poetry Club

Note

\*=Recurring club

## NEWSFLASH

### WORLD BOOK DAY

Look who Mr Moir found in our Jubilee Garden!  
Bill and Ben the Flowerpot Men!



## HOUSE POINTS

HOLLICOMBE - 1,766,834

BABBACOMBE - 1,280,298

MEADFOOT - 1,268,131

GOODRINGTON - 1,265,220



MEADFOOT - 262,040

GOODRINGTON - 260,022

HOLLICOMBE - 251,270

BABBACOMBE - 188,832





## SPOTLIGHT ON

### Year 2 Paignton Zoo Trip

This term, Year 2 went to Paignton Zoo to learn about Animals and their Habitats. We had a wonderful time visiting all of the different animals at the zoo and we even went on an African Safari! We had a chance to feel many different animal bones and artefacts that have been collected by the zoo. We had to work out which animal each bone belonged to. The elephant's tooth had us all a little puzzled!

YEAR 2



## SPORTS SECTION

WELL DONE



The Year 5/6 Girls' football competed in their first inter-school football match against Ipplepen Primary School this week, to contest a Quarter-Final place against Rydon Primary School. A well-deserved first goal was scored by Alice, with numerous chances created in the second-half to draw the score level by Veronica, Millie and Maisy.

Our attacking play was backed up with some brave defending by Myla, Lexi and an excellent goalkeeping display by Kaci-Jo. Well done for excellent teamwork and effort - the team were a real credit to our school.



The Year 5/6 football team beat Abbotskerswell 14-0 in the semi-final of the Frank Burley Trophy. Hat tricks for Maxwell, Leo and Jake. Reggie was chosen as player of the match by the opposing team.



The week beginning 20th March was 'Big Walk and Wheel Week' at school. Well done to all those children who walked, scooted or cycled to school! It's great to see lots of you taking a more active journey where possible. Well done.



We are now Week 6 into our Half Marathon Miles. Over 100 hundred children are taking part in running a mile each week. Keep it up everyone!

## RED NOSE DAY 2023

On Friday 17th March, the children and staff at KKPS celebrated and fundraised for Comic Relief Red Nose Day by wearing something red, donating cakes for a bake sale. Thank you for your kind donations and support for such a worthy cause.

Thank you!

We raised  
£425!



## ROTARY SCHOOLS QUIZ

On Tuesday 29th March, our team of Year 5 children took part in the Rotary Quiz organised by Rotary of Dawlish Water. The quiz is usually open to Year 6 children. However, with Heatree residential taking place the same week, the Year 5s were given the opportunity to test their knowledge.

We came joint  
4th with 125  
points!



### Rotary Quiz

Have a go at some of the questions!

1. Which river flows through London?
2. Alexander the Great was a leader of which ancient country?
3. Who was the mother of Elizabeth I?
4. What is one tenth of 30?
5. Who is the current Dr WHO?

## EASTER GARDEN COMPETITION

Well done to all the children who entered this year's Easter Garden competition. The judges found it incredibly difficult to pick the winners from all the amazing gardens!

Congratulations to the following winners:

Reception: George R, Year 1: Myla P  
Year 2: Finlay Year 3: Hektor M  
Year 4: Fearne K, Year 5: Harrison W  
Year 6: Lewis B



### Pupil voice

Very impressed with the amount of effort  
They were really creative – under the sea, different  
themes – really cool!  
I really liked the ones that grasped the aspect of  
Easter – the facts that some of them had a mini-  
Jesus

One said 'He has Risen'. One showed the Last  
Supper. I liked them – everyone had their own  
type of style – some had eggs as people or  
Easter – they were all unique.  
Easter Gardens get everyone involved, makes  
families think about what Easter is really about.







# VALUES IN ACTION

Our Values for Spring 2 term  
Forgiveness & Truthfulness/Peace  
The Road to Peace



Lindsay Williams from Christian Aid came in to speak to the children about Fairtrade Fortnight. The Eco Council designed posters to create awareness and promote this very worthy cause. Children and families also took to the supermarket to search for Fairtrade food.



## A Prayer for Peace by Year 5

Dear Lord,  
 At this time, when there is so much sorrow and war  
 around the world,  
 Help us to support others who are in need  
 And to show our love through our actions.  
 Please bring us peace and the hope in knowing that  
 You are always there.

Amen



Молитва за мир  
 Дорогий Господи,

У цей час, коли в світі стільки горя і війни,  
 Допоможіть нам підтримати інших, хто цього  
 потребує

І виявляти свою любов своїми вчинками.  
 Будь ласка, принеси нам мир і надію на  
 знання цього  
 Ви завжди поруч.

Амінь



## OPEN THE BOOK

### Jonah the Groaner in Y3

Sandra and Heather visited Year 3 this term to tell the story of Jonah the Groaner. The children loved having to GROAN throughout the story.

#### Year 3 Pupil voice

I loved the bit of acting.  
I loved the questions at the end about people around us who groan all the time.

My brother always complains about food. My mum just says, "Eat it."  
When we are around people who groan all the time, it makes me want to move away from them.

Sometimes we want to groan but we should just do it on the inside.  
Groaning about something makes it bigger. It doesn't always turn out to be so bad.



Thank you for joining us for our Easter services and we wish you all a restful Easter.



We would also like to wish our Muslim community a happy Ramadan, and a happy Pesach to our Jewish community.







# WORLD BOOK DAY 2023



Dressing up for World Book Day 2023 @KKPS



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Teachers class swapping and book sharing on World Book Day @ KKPS 2023



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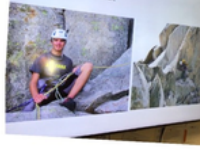


## MOUNTAINEERS IN YEAR 6

The summit of Mont Blanc – 4808m



Rock climb up Mont Maude



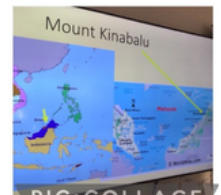
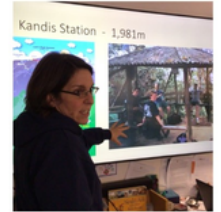
Real-life mountain climbing adventures shared with Year 6...



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Our mountain climbing teachers share their stories with year 6!



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## SCIENCE WEEK 2023

The children in Reception class were treated to a visit by Animals South West. They enjoyed their time tickling ferrets, being tickled by cute creepy crawlies, feeding nibbling tortoises and becoming a human bridge of arms for a friendly corn snake.



## FIRE SERVICE VISITS YEAR 5



Year 5 were paid a visit by the Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service. The children tested their knowledge about hazards around the house and who to call in an emergency, and how to use WHAT3WORDS. They learnt about the importance of having smoke-detectors around the house (and to test them monthly) and to have an 'exit-plan' at home. They also learnt about the seriousness of prank calls and to never be tempted to dial '999' for fun!





# WRAP-AROUND NEWSLETTER

**MARCH 2023  
EDITION**



## WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING?



## WHAT HAS BEEN MOST FUN?



**'DODGEBALL IS MY  
FAVOURITE AND I  
HAD FUN TONIGHT!'**

**'MEETING NEW  
PEOPLE'**

**'I REALLY LIKE WRAP-AROUND'**



## WHAT HAVE I LEARNT?

**'TO BE KIND TO  
EVERYBODY'**

**'HOW TO MAKE  
HAMA BEADS'**



## HOW WE FEEL ABOUT WRAP-AROUND..

**'I FEEL MYSELF WHEN I GO  
WRAP-AROUND'**

**'EVERYBODY IS LIKE FAMILY'**



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**LILY-ANA & EDEN (PHOTOGRAPHERS) & MACY (JOURNALIST)**



# GOVERNING BOARD NEWS

## ~ MEET YOUR GOVERNORS ~



Hello and welcome to the Governing Board section.

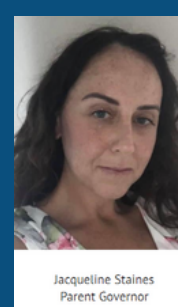
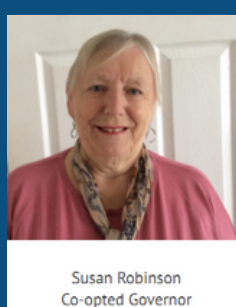
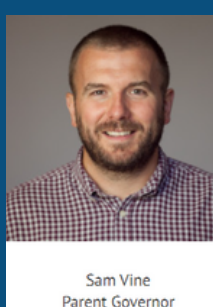
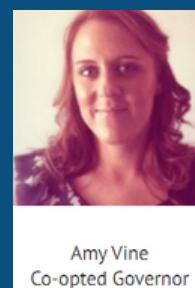
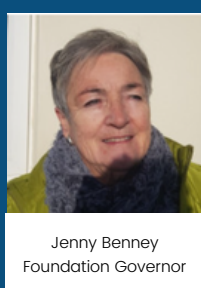
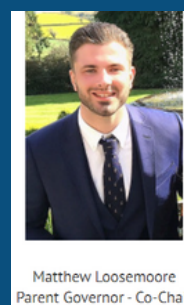
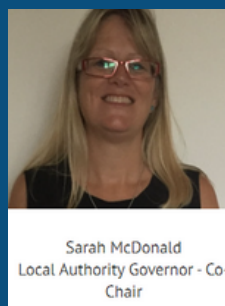
Some of you may not know who we are, as we meet outside of school hours, but others may have seen us on visits around the school. We are a group of volunteers – parents, teachers, our local reverend and others from the local community with an interest in making the school the best it can be.

A Governing Board is a requirement for all maintained schools (ones funded by the local authority) and our job is to review the performance of the school – what money is spent on, the policies and processes for running the school, the plans or strategy that the leaders of the school have in place. We ask questions, we may challenge the strategies to ensure they are right for the school and we support the work of staff in delivering the schools vision and ethos within their teaching practices.

You can see our photos and our roles on the newsletter. As well as being on the Governing Board, each member takes a Lead role and is responsible for an important aspect of the school. We visit regularly with the Lead teacher in school to understand what is going well and their future plans.

Ultimately, the Governing Board want the same as everyone involved in the school – high standards of teaching, excellent educational achievements and for Kingskerswell Primary to be a welcoming and successful place to learn and work.

Sarah McDonald and Matthew Loosemore  
Co-chair of Governors







## ATTENDANCE UPDATE 5/9/2022 – 17/3/2023

	KKPS Attendance	FFT National Attendance
Reception	93.8%	92.1%
Year 1	95.2%	93.1%
Year 2	96.0%	93.8%
Year 3	96.1%	94.2%
Year 4	95.8%	94.2%
Year 5	95.2%	94.1%
Year 6	95.4%	94.0%
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>95.3%</b>	<b>93.7%</b>



Well done on  
great attendance!  
Keep it up.

## PTFA EASTER EGG HUNT



A huge thanks to the PTFA who work tirelessly to support our children! The school was buzzing with egg-hunters this week!

## NUT FREE SCHOOL



THANK YOU

Please do not send your child(ren) to school with snacks that contain nuts. As a school promoting the health and wellbeing of all children, we would please ask that children bring in healthy snack choices, such as chopped up fruit or vegetables. Thank you for your support with this.



## SAFEGUARDING

Worried about a child's safety?

If you are concerned about the safety of a child in Devon and want to speak to someone, or if you are a child worried about your own safety, contact our Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on 0345 155 1071 or email [mashsecure@devon.gov.uk](mailto:mashsecure@devon.gov.uk) and give as much information as you can.

If a child is at immediate risk, contact the police on 999.

## Contact Information

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[admin@kingskerswell.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kingskerswell.devon.sch.uk)





# COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

St Mary's Kingskerswell



Kingskerswell Parish Church  
St.Mary's  
Part of The Three Wells Mission  
Community

VICAR: Michael Wilkie

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Church End Road, Kingskerswell,  
TQ12 5LD

Vicarage: 01803 875248

Office: 01803 873006

admin@w3church.co.uk

Website: [www.ackchurch.org.uk/](http://www.ackchurch.org.uk/)

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/The-Three-Wells-Mission-Community-106678921001432/>

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9.30am to  
2.30pm

Service takes place each week  
at 10.30am

For girls aged 7 to 10

**Brownies**

Kingskerswell



Kingskerswell Parish Hall  
Mondays 6-7.30pm  
Contact Brown Owl:  
07963884801



Find out more about Brownies  
at [girlguiding.org.uk/brownies](http://girlguiding.org.uk/brownies).  
Register your daughter  
at [girlguiding.org.uk/joinus](http://girlguiding.org.uk/joinus)  
or call 0800 169 5901.



## AFTER SCHOOL TAIKO

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April -  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May  
5.30 - 6.30pm

A fun taiko drumming class at the Taiko Centre,  
Seale Hayne, TQ12 6NQ for children aged 9+.

£16 per child for all four sessions.  
Limited places available so please book in advance by emailing  
[hello@taikosouthwest.org.uk](mailto:hello@taikosouthwest.org.uk).

[www.taikosouthwest.org.uk](http://www.taikosouthwest.org.uk)



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## TEA AND COFFEE IN THE LIBRARY

We will be open from 10am-1pm for tea and coffee on:

Friday 17th February  
Tuesday 21st February  
Friday 24th February  
Tuesday 28th February  
Tuesday 7th March  
Tuesday 14th March  
Tuesday 21st March  
Tuesday 28th March



Why not join us for a chat?

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[kingskerswell.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk](mailto:kingskerswell.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk)

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