

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back everyone and a **Happy New Year** to you all. Hope you have all had a lovely, restful break and enjoyed the time together.

We have a few changes that I need to inform you of involving staffing. Miss K. Jones has now taken over as the Safeguarding Lead Officer across the federation. Since the start of the academic year, Miss Jones has already been providing excellent support for children and families at King's Hill, her role now will involve her working with Salisbury Primary School as well. We also have a change to Miss S. Worthington's role in school as she now joins our inclusion team.

Although the Spring term is short, we have a great many things taking place for the children. Please make a note of what we have planned to ensure children are provided with a wide range of opportunities at school. This is very important to us as we continue to incorporate as many different, enriching experiences as possible to enhance children's learning.

Our workshop sessions for parents, last term, were well received so we aim to provide further sessions for you over the next two terms. The feedback you provided was very helpful in determining what we focus on next.

I would like to draw your attention to matters relating to children's attendance and punctuality. We have been working closely with parents / carers and pupils to improve attendance and lateness. At the end of the Autumn term, the whole school attendance is 92.3%. To support our target of 97% please ensure your child / children are in school, on time every day.

Well done to all children with attendance above 97%. Bronze badges will be given in next week's assemblies. Silver badges will be awarded at the end of the spring term and Gold at the end of the summer term. We hope pupils wear these with pride.



Improved attendance will also be rewarded at the end of each term.

Thank you for your continued support, which is always, greatly appreciated.

Mrs N. Matharu
Executive Headteacher



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Spring Term 1 Activities / Events

Computing Workshops

Key Stage 2 classes will be taking part in some very exciting computer robotics workshops being delivered by the curriculum team from Walsall Council. They will help children develop knowledge and gain skills to support their learning in a really fun and practical way.

Reception 2024

Online applications are now open for Reception 2024. The closing date is 15th January. Please ensure all applications are submitted before this date. If you require assistance, please contact the school office.

Animal Man

The Animal Man will be in school, visiting year 1 and year 2 on Monday 15th January. There is no cost to parent / carers for this visit

Visit to The REP Theatre

Y6 – Wednesday 17th January 2024
Y5 – Thursday 18th January 2024

We will be leaving school at 8:15am, and therefore your child is required to be in school for 8.00am. Children will be required to wear school uniform for this trip and be equipped with a waterproof coat and suitable trainers.

World Religion Day

As part of PSHE lessons, classes will be looking at Religions from around the world on Friday 19th January

Flu Nasal Spray catch up. Friday 19th January

This is the final chance to get the flu vaccine and if you would like your child to have the vaccination, please advise the school office and the nurses will ring you on the day.

Explorer Dome

Y1, Y3 & Y6 pupils will be taking part in the experience of the explorer dome as part of their Geography and Science lessons on Monday 22nd January

Children's Mental Health week. Monday 5th – Friday 9th February



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Coding Workshop

EYFS, Y1, & Y2 pupils will be taking part in a classroom workshop learning coding with Walsall council ICT team on Tuesday 6th February

Darlaston Library visit

Y6 will be visiting the Darlaston library on Wednesday 7th February
Miss Davies' class 11.15am & Mrs Sunner's class 2.00pm

Terra charity day

Wear it Green Thursday 8th February
Non-uniform day for all children for a £1 donation for Action Aid UK - Additional details to follow

Census day – Thursday 18th January



Our menu for January Census day will be

Crispy chicken wrap / Quorn wrap
Potato waffles
Peas / sweetcorn

(Sandwiches, Jacket Potatoes and Pasta Bake are also available)

Chocolate Sponge cake with Chocolate Sauce

We would like to see as many children enjoying school meals, our menu is available online or from the school office

Children who are in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 are eligible for free school meals and do not need to pay
For all those who are not, please pay £2.15 in a sealed envelope with the name of your child clearly displayed on it
The roast dinner will be served on Wednesday 17th January

Half term

School closes on Friday 9th February and re-opens Monday 19th February to all pupils



Jolly jumper day - December 2023

King's Hill raised £251 for Birmingham Children's Hospital

Thank you for all donations