

Kempshott Schools Association News October 2023



Welcome to the new school term! We hope everyone is settling in well and looking forward to a great year of FUNdraising activities.

Recap of 2022/23

We are incredibly proud of the fundraising activities the KSA was able to do last year, **together we raised £13,434.46** which is incredible!!!!! **Thank you** to everyone who contributed, donated, organised and attended the KSA events. We couldn't have done it without you!

Take a look at our 2022/23 FUNdraising overview:



So what do we have planned for this year?

We value feedback from our school community and would love to know more about you and your family's interests so we can bring you engaging events and activities this school year.

We also know we have some very talented individuals in our community, and we'd love to hear about your skills and hobbies, and where you might be able to help us.

Click <u>here</u> to complete our questionnaire and help us shape the activities for the year ahead and our support for the schools.



What is the Kempshott Schools Association?



What is the Kempshott Schools Association and why is it important?

The KSA is a registered charity that is very active throughout the year. We are a small group of parents, carers and teachers who volunteer some of our time working together to organise fun activities, with huge support from the whole school community we aim to raise money to benefit all of our children across the Kempshott Infants and Junior Schools. This money is then spent on things like additional items for the classrooms and playgrounds, new technology and subsiding school trips.

What do we do to raise money?

- Family Discos
- Cake Sales
- Pre-loved book sales
- Non-uniform days
- Magician Show and other quests
- Christmas & Summer Fairs
- Clothes Recycling
- School Lottery
- And much much more!

How is the money spent?

Over the last five years, we have raised more than £50,000 which has been split between both schools. Each year the schools let us know what they would like funds for; past projects have included:

- MUGA (multi use games apparatus)
- Outdoor classroom
- Woodland area
- Outdoor musical instruments and artificial grassed area
- Laptops and technology
- Infant school library refresh
- And much more!



Refreshed the Infants School Library



The Summer house



Outdoor musical instruments

In addition, we provide fun items for the children at various events... Commemorative pins to celebrate the Queens Jubilee, Bookmarks to celebrate the Kings Coronation, Christmas crackers for the school Christmas meal, ice lollies for every child on sports day and leaving gifts for Years 2 and 6.

THE KSA NEEDS YOU

The majority of our current committee members have been involved for 6+ years and are now looking to stand down or step back a little, and so we are looking for new members to take over the running of the association in the roles of Co-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, and general committee members who support the planning and execution of our events.

We need you

Voting will take place at the AGM in November but if you are interested in taking on one of the roles above or becoming a general committee member then we would love to hear from you. Click here to express your interest by Thursday 19/10.

If no one comes forward before the AGM then the KSA will sadly have to reduce the number of activities this academic year and will be forced to close at the end of this school year. This would be such a shame as the events that the KSA usually run throughout the academic year will not take place and the schools will miss out on the funds which would normally be raised.

Did you know we have a weekly School Lottery?

Our School Lottery is an easy way to support our school and help raise funds.

- Tickets cost just £1 a week.
- 40% of ticket sales go directly to the KSA.
- There's a guaranteed winner from our school each week.
- As well as the chance to win the £25,000 nationwide jackpot!
- It's super easy to join and will make a real difference to our Kempshott Infants & Junior schools.

Buy your ticket today

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/kempshott-infants-and-junior-school

The AGM & Welcome Evening

Come along to our **KSA Annual General Meeting & Welcome Evening** Thursday 2nd November at 5.45pm in the Infant School Hall

What is the AGM and Welcome Evening?

At the start of the school year we hold our Annual General meeting whereby we update the community (that's all of you!) on our current financial situation and introduce our plans for the year.

- Come along and meet the committee, teachers and other volunteer helpers, we are a friendly bunch!
- Learn more about our recent fundraising successes and our plans for the school year ahead!
- Find out about the school's wish lists for the coming year, the volunteering opportunities coming up and how you might be able to lend a hand.
- Elect the core charity members (Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary) for the new school year.

As a parent/carer of a pupil at one of our Kempshott Schools, you are automatically a member of the association, so even if you are not interested in joining the committee we would be delighted to see you at the AGM & Welcome Evening, even just for morale support!

Thinking of signing up?

This year we have space for 12 new committee members including the core charity roles. We would love to see more new faces to allow the KSA to continue in following years.

Click <u>here</u> to express your interest. **Deadline Thursday 19**th **October**. If you have any questions please contact us at KSAevents10@gmail.com

We look forward to welcoming you at the meeting



Upcoming Events

support our school

join our lottery!

Thursday 2nd November
KSA Annual General Meeting &
Welcome Evening
5.45pm Kempshott Infant School

<u>Friday 3rd November</u> <u>Spooks & Sparkles cake sale</u> afterschool in the playgrounds

<u>Friday 10th November</u> <u>Clothes recycling</u> drop off 8-9am

And lots more coming soon this autumn term including:

- Children's Art Christmas cards.
- Christmas Market with external stalls, games & food.
- Non uniform day

Keep in touch with everything that's going on:



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