



Dear Parents,

## Year Group News

### Year R

This week Year R have enjoyed exploring pumpkins, they have been scooping out seeds and have been talking about growing pumpkins. They went on an Autumn walk this week to explore Autumn changes. In English the children shared their exciting holiday news. Coach Lyndsey has started football skills on Wiggle Wednesday and they had fun passing and dribbling footballs.



### Year 1

This week the children have been looking for animals on a night-time walk, listening to woodland sounds and spotting nocturnal animals in the classroom. They have shared ideas of things they may see when out at night time and writing sentences about the animals that are nocturnal. In RHEd this week, the children have been looking at Bonfire night and designing safety posters. In History they have been sharing their 5 facts that they have learned about the town of Basingstoke.



### Year 2

Year 2 have been writing a recount of their half-term holiday and have learnt how to edit their work by correcting spellings and punctuation. In Maths, the children have been learning to partition numbers in different ways, as well as adding by grouping tens and ones. They have enjoyed making their own 'balloon dance' in PE. They had to listen carefully to the music and imagine they were being inflated, deflated, and then move around as a balloon. In Science, the children have been learning about materials and their properties.



**Reminder for Year 2:** Please remember to bring in your half-term homework posters (A3 or smaller) by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. For a reminder please see newsletter 6 (19<sup>th</sup> October 2023) <https://www.kempshottinfants.com/newsletters-1/> Thank you! *From the Year 2 Team*

## Applying for a Year R Place for September 2024

Will your child be 4 years old between 1st September 2023 and 31st August 2024? If so, they will be starting school in September 2024. Applications opened on **1<sup>st</sup> November 2023**. For more information please visit: [www.hants.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hants.gov.uk/admissions)  
Please visit our website <https://www.kempshottinfants.com/new-parents/> for visit dates and online booking information.



## Applications for Admission to Year 3 – September 2024

Applications opened for Year 3 Junior School places on **1<sup>st</sup> November 2023**. For more information and to apply online please visit [www.hants.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hants.gov.uk/admissions)  
**The Application deadline is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.**

## Shoebox Appeal

You kindly donated 32 boxes to the Rotary Club Christmas Shoebox appeal. Thank you to everyone who supported the charity to support children whose families who live in extreme hardship and poverty.

## Poppy Appeal

We are again supporting the Royal British Legions Poppy Appeal. Poppies and other merchandise will be on sale in school from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November, please see the separate email sent this afternoon. If your child wishes to purchase one of these items, please send your contribution into school in an envelope noting which item you would like to buy on the envelope. Thank you for supporting the Royal British Legion.



## School Lunches

Please look out for the new menus which will be uploaded tomorrow on to our school website [Kempshott Infant School Menus October 2023 to April 2024](#)  
This link will also take you to the jacket potato menu.



## Tissue Box Appeal

At this time of year there are many coughs and colds around. We are running low on tissues at school and we would greatly appreciate any boxes that you are able to donate. Please send them in with your child. Thank you.



## SENDCo Surgery

Appointments are available for our next SENDCo Surgery on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**. To book an appointment please email **Mrs Clarke** at [s.clarke@kempshott-inf.hants.sch.uk](mailto:s.clarke@kempshott-inf.hants.sch.uk)  
For more information please see the email dated 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

## Diary Dates

Sports Xtra Dance Club Starts	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November
KSA A.G.M <b>6pm start</b>	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November
KSA Cake Sale 3.15pm	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November
Year R 2024 Parent Tours	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>Happy Bags drop-off 8am-8.50am</b>	<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b> <i>New date</i> ←
SENDCo Surgery	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November
Kempshott Junior School Info Eve for Year 2 Parents	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 6pm
Year R 2024 Parent Tours	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November
Year R 2024 Parent Tours	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November
Last Year 1 & 2 Clubs	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November
No PE for Year R Today	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November
Year R 2024 Parent Tours	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November
Last Sports Xtra Dance	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November
Rocksteady Concert for their Parents	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December
KSA Christmas Fair	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December
Last Sports Xtra Football Club	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December
Film Club	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December
No PE for Year R Today	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 1 Christmas Journey at St Marks Church	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December
Year R Nativity	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December <b>10am</b>
Year R Nativity	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December <b>10am</b>
No PE for Year R Today	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Church Service at St Marks Church	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December
Last Day of Autumn 2 Term	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December
School Closed for staff training	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Holiday	18 <sup>th</sup> Dec – 29 <sup>th</sup> December
First day of Spring 1 Term	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2024

Yours sincerely

*N. Potter*

**Mrs N Potter**  
**Head Teacher**

**Inset days for 2023/2024**  
**The school will be closed for staff training on:**  
**December 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**March 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**June 3<sup>rd</sup>**