



Dear Parents,

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Please send any completed boxes or donations in to school by **9am on Thursday 19th October**. You are able to fill any sized shoe box that you have at home, or alternatively we do have a limited number of flat packed boxes that the Rotary Club have donated at school. If you are unable to fill a shoebox but would still like to donate some items, we will be making up some boxes at school with donations that we receive.



Thank you for your support!

Harvest Festival

The children will walk to St Mark's Church on Thursday next week (19th October). If you do not wish your child to attend please email kisinfo@kempshott-inf.sch.uk by Wednesday 18th October or speak to your child's teacher.

In the past the children have very generously brought food gifts with them to be distributed in the local community. We appreciate that with the current challenges it might not be possible for everyone to give items for the Harvest collection but if you are able please send any food donations in to school by Thursday 19th October.

This year Basingstoke Foodbank will collect any items that you are able to donate.

A list of items that they are especially in need of can be found on their website: [Basingstoke Food Bank](#). Thank you for your support!



Year Group News



Year R



Year 1



Year 2

Year R

This week Year R have been working hard in Maths. They have been measuring their height and have created a class height chart. In PSED they have been discussing how they are the same and how they are different. In Music, the children have been practicing making a steady beat using claves. They have enjoyed throwing beanbags and playing games this week in P.E.

In the Shared Area they have been investigating the signs of Autumn.

Year 1

Year 1 had a visit from the witch, from the story 'Room on the Broom', and they had a chance to ask her questions about her adventures. The children have been learning about 'Nouns and Adjectives' which has allowed them to write about their favourite parts and characters in the story. In Maths, they have been adding one-digit numbers and looking at tally charts. The children went for a very exciting walk around the Kempshott area, looking for physical and human features, and stopped at the local park to conduct a traffic survey on the colour of vehicles.

Year 2

This week, Year 2 children have enjoyed learning about the UK. They have located the 4 countries on a map of the UK, their capital cities and the surrounding seas. In English, they have been learning to edit and improve their sentences by including adjectives and connectives. In Maths, the children have been learning to subtract 2 digit numbers by drawing cups and dienes. The children have enjoyed starting to make up their own cat dance in PE.

Parking Safely on Buttermere Drive

Unfortunately, we have once again received a complaint from a local resident regarding parking. They are very concerned that in an emergency vehicles maybe unable to gain access if needed due to vehicles parking inconsiderately in Buttermere Drive.

Please could we remind you once again to be respectful of our neighbours and park considerately. Our advice to residents is to inform the council of any parking infringements.

I appreciate parking is difficult at these times and thank you for your consideration.



Uniform

There may be an occasion where a child requires a change of uniform during the school day. Please remember that if your child wears different items home please may we ask that these are washed and returned to school as soon as possible, as we only hold limited items in class. Thank you!



Down Grange Football Club

Down Grange Football club are looking for Year 2 children to join their squad. Please see more information, including their contact details, on our website:

[Kempshott Infant School Community News](#)



School Photographer

If your child was absent for the Individual Photograph session on 28th September, they have been photographed today. Please look out for their individual card with the unique access code that has been sent home in your child's book bag today.

Half-Term Holiday Clubs

Kempshott Junior

There are still places available at the Junior School Holiday Club this half term on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

There will be lots of fun activities including badge making, crafts, cookery, organised games and much more. The day runs from 9.00am until 4.00pm, it costs £30 for one child and £27 for siblings.

If you would like your child to attend, please complete the attached form and return it to adminoffice@kempshott-jun.hants.sch.uk



Sports Xtra will be holding their half-term holiday camp at the Everest Academy, from Monday 23rd October – Friday 27th October 2023 (9am – 4pm). £25.00 per child per day. Please visit our school website <https://www.kempshottinfants.com/community-news/> for more information.

Diary dates

Parents Evening	Monday 16 th October
NO Sports Xtra Football	Monday 16 th October
NO Yr 1 & 2 Clubs today	Tuesday 17 th October
2024 Yr R Parent Tours	Wednesday 18 th October
Parents Evening	Wednesday 18 th October
NO Sports Xtra Dance	Thursday 19 th October
Final date to donate to the Shoe Box Appeal	Thursday 19 th October
Last day of Autumn 1 Term	Thursday 19 th October
Deadline for KSA Committee Member Applications	Thursday 19th October
School closed staff training	Friday 20 th October
Half-term holiday	23 rd – 27 th October

Inset days for 2023/2024

The school will be closed for staff training on:

October 20th

December 15th

March 28th

June 3rd

Reminders:

- **Parents Evening Appointments**

Have you booked your Parents Evening appointment?

This year appointments will take place **on Monday 16th October and Wednesday 18th October**. The online bookings are now open. Please visit www.schoolinterviews.co.uk using the event code **B74ET**.

Bookings will close at **midday** on Friday 13th October. Please make your appointments before this date.

- **Children starting school in September 2024**

Is your child due to start school in September 2024? Please visit our website <https://www.kempshottinfants.com/new-parents/> for visit dates and online booking information.

- **SENDCo Surgery**

Appointments are available for our next SENDCo Surgery on **Monday 13th November**.

To book an appointment please email **Mrs Clarke** at s.clarke@kempshott-inf.hants.sch.uk

For more information please see the email dated 14th September 2023.

Yours sincerely

N. Potter

Mrs N Potter
Head Teacher

