



Dear Parents,

This Half-Term:

Year R

This half term, Year R are diving into their Awesome Autumn topic! They will be exploring all the wonderful changes this season brings from colourful falling leaves to crisp, cool days. The children will be getting creative, using real autumn leaves to make, some seasonal artwork. In phonics, they will be busy learning single sounds and becoming super blenders! In Maths, the children will have exciting activities to help count, order, and recognise numbers. *Year R Team*

Year 1

This half term, Year 1's topic is "There's No Place Like Home." The children will be learning all about the history of Basingstoke. It has been wonderful to read the interesting facts they worked so hard to research over the half term! In P.E., the children's new focus is on gymnastics and fundamental movement skills. This week in gymnastics, they explored high movements by imagining they were tall giraffes! Can your child remember any of the high movements we practised? *Year 1 Team*

Year 2

Year 2's topic this half term is called Magnificent Monarchs.

The children will learn about the 2 longest reigning queens - Queen Elizabeth and Queen Victoria - and consider the impact that they had across the years. In History they will order events from the past and learn about life in the Victorian times. The children will be using the texts 'Where the Wild Things Are' and 'The Queen's Hat' to write exciting descriptions and their own story in their English sessions.

In Maths, the children will be learning how to tell the time and problem solving using all the skills they've learnt so far. In Geography they will recap the countries that make up the UK and name their capital cities.

Reminder for Year 2: Please remember to bring in your half-term homework posters (A3 or smaller) Friday 7th November. For a reminder, please see newsletter 7 (23rd October 2025)

KempshottInfants.com/Newsletters Thank you! *From the Year 2 Team*



Year 2 Parents – Information evening at Kempshott Junior School

Kempshott Junior School are holding a Parents Information evening on **Thursday 13th November at 6pm**. The information evening is for prospective parents of children starting Junior school in September 2026.

Applications for Year R and Year 3 September 2026 Admissions

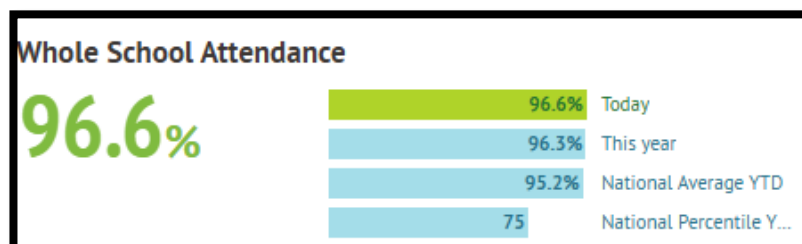
Applications for September 2025 Year R and Year 3 Junior School places opened on **1st November 2025**. For more information and to apply online please visit

www.hants.gov.uk/admissions

The Application deadline is Wednesday 15th January 2026.



Whole School Attendance



Year 1 & Year 2 Tuesday Clubs

Please note there will be no clubs for Year 1 and Year 2 children on Tuesday 11th November. The last club for the Autumn term will take place on Tuesday 2nd December.



Poppy Appeal

We are again supporting the Royal British Legions Poppy Appeal. Poppies and other merchandise are now on sale in school. 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.



Children in Need – FRIDAY 14th NOVEMBER

We will be having a non-uniform day to raise funds for 'Children in Need' on **Friday 14th November**. If your child wishes to support this event please send a donation into school on the day. All money raised will go to 'Children in Need'. Thank you for your support



On Children in Need day Year 2 will still be taking part in their P.E. lesson so please can they wear clothes suitable for outdoor P.E. Thank you! *Year 2 Team*

Nut allergy

We do have children at school with nut allergies. For these children contact with nuts, or products containing nuts can be life threatening. **Please make sure you do not send any products containing nuts into school**, this includes ensuring that all sandwich fillings (including chocolate spread) and cereal bars do not contain them. Your co-operation in ensuring a safe environment for our children is really appreciated.



School Lunches

Our full menus have now been uploaded on to the new school lunch section on our website [Kempshott Infant School Menus](#)



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 to us. Please send them in with your child. Thank you.



Reminders

Nasal Flu Vaccine – 27th November 2025. Action needed!

The Immunisation team will be at school on Thursday 27th November 2025 to administer flu nasal spray to the children.



Please visit their website [Annual Nasal Flu Vaccination Programme - Hampshire - Parents: Health for Kids](#) Our unique school code is: **SH116036**

IMPORTANT, please note: School health would like you to complete the form even if you do not wish your child to have the vaccine. This is to ensure your child's health records are up to date. If you change your mind or need to tell the immunisation team about changes to your child's medical history, do not complete another consent form. Please [Contact them](#) directly to tell them about any changes.

SENDCo Surgery - Tuesday 25th November. To book an appointment please email sendco@kempshott-inf.hants.sch.uk

K.S.A. News.

Please see the attached separate email for K.S.A. news, including information on tomorrow's cake sale (Friday 7th November).

Diary Dates

2026 Year R / Year 3 Applications Opened	Saturday 1 st November
Sports Xtra Dance starts (Yr 1 & 2)	Thursday 6 th November
Gazette First Class Photographs (Yr R)	Thursday 6 th November
Deadline for Parent Governor Applications	Friday 7 th November
Year 2 - To bring their U.K city facts poster	Friday 7 th November
K.S.A. Cake sale	Friday 7 th November
Sports Xtra Football Starts (Yr 1 & 2)	Monday 10 th November
NO Year 1 & 2 clubs today	Tuesday 11 th November
Parent Tours for September 2026 Year R	Wednesday 12 th November
Yr 2 Parents Sept 2026 YR 3 intake meeting at KJS	Thursday 13th November 6pm ←
Children in Need	Friday 14 th November
Parent Tours for September 2026 Year R	Tuesday 18 th November
SENDCo Surgery	Tuesday 25 th November
Parent Tours for September 2026 Year R	Wednesday 26 th November
Flu Vaccine	Thursday 27 th November
Last Sports Xtra Football today	Monday 1 st December
Parent Tours for September 2026 Year R	Tuesday 2 nd December
Last Yr 1 & Yr 2 clubs	Tuesday 2 nd December
Year 1 Christmas Journey at St Marks Church	Wednesday 3 rd December
Last Sports Xtra Dance club	Thursday 4 th December
Rocksteady Children – concert to their parents	Friday 5 th December
K.S.A. Winter Disco at Kempshott Junior School	Sunday 7th December ←
Year R Nativity	Tuesday 16 th December 10am
Film Club (Yr R, Yr 1 & Yr 2)	Tuesday 16 th December
Year R Nativity	Wednesday 17 th December 10am
Christmas - St Marks Church visit	Thursday 18 th December
Christmas songs on the playground	Friday 19 th December
Last day of Autumn term	Friday 19 th December
Christmas holiday	Monday 22 nd December – Friday 2 nd January
School closed – Staff training	Monday 5 th January 2026
First day of Spring term	Tuesday 6 th January 2026
Parent Tours for September 2026 Year R	Wednesday 7 th January 2026
2026 Year R / Year 3 Applications Close	Wednesday 15 th January 2026

Inset days - The school will be closed for staff training on the following dates:

Monday 5th January 2026,
Monday 13th April 2026
Monday 1st June 2026

Yours sincerely

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Mrs N Potter
Head Teacher