

# Kings Worthy

Primary School

## Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers

### Happy 2024!

I hope this year's Christmas holiday provided you with a welcome change of routine and a chance to enjoy some family time. Thank you very much to so many parents who sent in gifts and cards for staff, which were very much appreciated.

The children in Rabbits and Hedgehogs also performed brilliantly in their nativity. I am sure that all the parents who were able to attend enjoyed the performances, and again my grateful thanks to Miss King, Miss Hutchins and the rest of the team who helped prepare the children so well.

The Spring term is an important one for all the children to push on in their learning and make progress and they have settled quickly to their work this week. Our attendance was hit in the run up to Christmas with so many bugs and colds tearing through both children and staff alike so please could I ask for your support in ensuring that your children attend school regularly and are punctual – remember our aim is to close the gates at 9am every morning.

If ever you have a concern or worry about any aspect of your child's education please do not hesitate to contact his/her class teacher in the first instance or speak to myself or Miss Eggleston on the gate each morning.

Many thanks, in anticipation of your support, and I'm looking forward to a brilliant 2024 at Kings Worthy.

### New faces

Miss Hyde who has been working in 3H for the last term has moved on to her second placement school and will return to 3H after February half term. Whilst she is away we have Mrs Philp joining Miss Roadnight in 1R for this half term. We also have Mrs Passingham who is joining our teaching team in key stage 2; Mr Forrester who is joining our learning support assistant team in key stage 2; Mr Corrie who is joining our learning support assistant team in key stage 1.

Thank you to the children who have already spent time with our new additions and for making them feel so welcome.



Mrs Passingham



Mr Forrester



Mrs Philp



Mr Corrie

We will also be joined by three new student teachers who will be with us until Easter from the University of Winchester. Miss Antrum will be joining Miss King in Rabbits; Miss Hagger will be with Miss Singleton in 3S; Miss Palmer will be joining Mrs Smyth in 6S.

I am sure all of the children will help give them a warm Kings Worthy welcome when they start next Tuesday.

### Year 3 Outdoor Day

Just before Christmas, Year 3 had a cold but exciting day in the Woodland Walk. In English, we had been looking at the text, 'A Walk in Paris', before we wrote our own guidebooks to Winchester. Because of this, we decided to experience Parisian life in our Outdoor Day. The children took a trip down a Parisian street and enjoyed drawing characters in the style of caricature art. They loved making the Eiffel Tower out of spaghetti and marshmallows; carefully thinking about the structure to make it 3D, able to stand whilst still resembling the famous tower. They played boules and were challenged to make the French flag out of materials found in the Woodland Walk. The children were absolutely fantastic despite the weather conditions and we are looking forward to our next outdoor day soon! *(written by Mrs Holloway)*



### Spelling Shed

Well done to everyone who continued to practise their spellings over the Christmas holidays. Can you make it to the top of the leader board next week?

*(written by Mrs Cowling)*

### Maths Shed

What an exciting second half term we have had reporting on Maths Shed! It was a serious battle, but here are our half-termly winners who will receive either the class trophy or a prize! Well done to all of the winners!

Can **you** make it the top next week?

#### Classes

1<sup>st</sup> Place – **6S**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – **2B**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – **5VT**

#### Individuals

1<sup>st</sup> Place – **Faith**, Year 6

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – **Naomi**, Year 6

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – **Rafal**, Year 5

*(written by Mrs Smyth)*

### Reading

Just a reminder that you can find some recommended reads for your child's upcoming topics on our website.

<https://www.kingsworthy.hants.sch.uk/page/?title=Recommended+Reads&pid=285>

Having parallel texts with the books the children are reading in class can really enhance their learning and support your child with pre-learning for their topic making writing, reading and any topic work more accessible.

### Coats

Temperatures look set to drop next week so please could I ask that you continue to send your children in with coats - at break and lunch time they are allowed to take them off when they get warmed up from running around.

### Year Group Newsletters

Year Group Newsletters will be distributed the week commencing **8<sup>th</sup> January**.

### Extra-Curricular Activities

A reminder that our extra-curricular clubs commence week beginning **8<sup>th</sup> January**.

### Inset Day

A reminder that our next **Inset Day** will take place on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January**.



### Lunchtime Supervisors

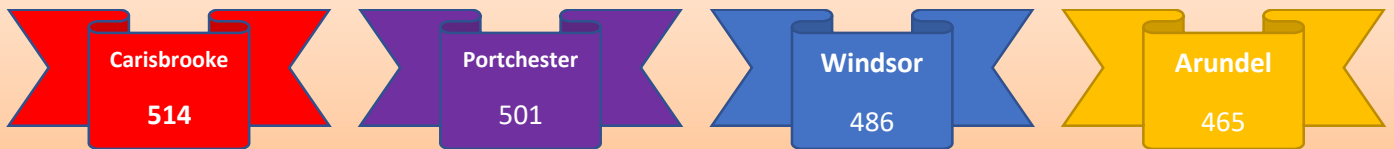
We are on the hunt for lunchtime supervisors to join our amazing team – if you are interested then please pop into the office for information.

### Parking

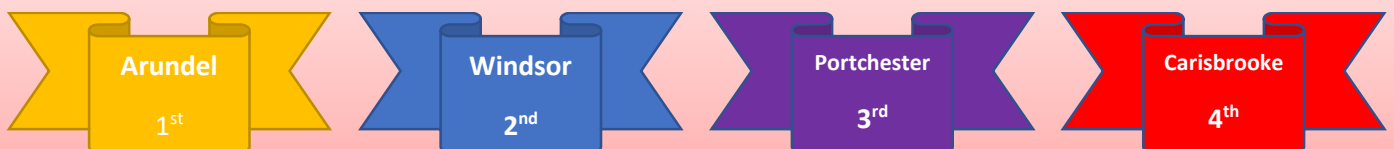
Please can I ask those of you that drop your children to school each morning to show care and consideration to others. Please try to avoid parking on double yellow lines around the school as well as mounting curbs. I know it is incredibly tricky to find space when dropping the children to school. One way to avoid this is perhaps park a little further away and have a brisk 5-10 minute walk each morning (which I know many of you already do).

Thank you for your support in this matter.

### House Points – Final Week of Term



### House Points – Autumn Term Results



*Congratulations to our Termly Champions - Arundel*

Jamie Dodson

Headteacher