

The last few weeks seem to have raced by, with Year 6 children returning from their residential visit, full of excitement at the things that they have achieved and experienced during their time at Kingswood. We also enjoyed our Harvest Services at Holy Trinity Church. Thank you to all parents who helped walk the children to and from the church and who were able to join us in celebrating Harvest. Many thanks also for the donations of tins and packets, which you kindly donated to help needy families in the local area.

PTA – Thank you to the PTA who agreed funding for Ms Dobson to attend the first of the Forest School’s Training week. Ms Dobson found it truly inspirational & has told me it has been the best professional development training, she’s ever had! Already we have seen Year 2 using the knowledge to create their own maps from nature.

Bonfire Night – We have always been lucky to be a recipient of a large and kind donation from the Cuckfield Bonfire Committee, which was used recently to purchase the climbing wall for our junior children. We are now saving up to purchase new desktops and laptops for our computer suite, so that our children can access new technology and benefit from using them, learning how to debug, code and program. The Bonfire Committee would really welcome more parents on the committee, as there are currently none of our parents on the committee. The meetings for next year start in about February and are evening meetings. If you think you could help be being part of this committee please let Mrs Wells, Co chair of the PTA know. The Bonfire Committee would also welcome any help in clearing the site on the Sunday morning after the display. If you have carved pumpkins left over after Halloween, please could you bring them to school and put them inside the grounds, on the field near the pedestrian gate, so we can pass them onto the Bonfire Committee.

Trampolining Taster Days – On Thursday 9th & Friday 10th November, we are holding trampoline taster sessions for every class. Please make sure your child has their PE kit and socks in their PE bag for these days. We hope that some children may be encouraged to take up this sport in the future!

Online Safety Training - In this ever increasing world of technology, I know how difficult it can be as a parent, to monitor and fully protect our children whilst they are surfing the internet, as well as teaching them to be responsible whilst they are online. Many parents have also said they would welcome support with keeping their child safe online. We are therefore holding a parent training workshop on **Thursday 2nd November at 6.00pm** in the hall run by Safety Net, a Brighton based company who have a lot of experience working with children, teachers and parents in this field. I do hope you will be able to join us on this evening. The children will also receive age appropriate training on staying safe online.

Harvest - I think all parents who were able to join us at our Harvest Services would agree that both the infant and junior children worked hard to show us the meaning of Harvest and to celebrate it and thank God for the food we grow to eat. The children sang beautifully, performed their play and dramatic presentation with confidence, as well as reading us their prayers and poems. Well done to all our children and staff and to Father Michael for leading us in the Services.



Key Stage 2 Dramatic Presentation



The children enjoyed taking part in the Harvest Service



Presenting the Harvest gifts to Father Michael



Key stage 1's singing was wonderful!



We all enjoyed seeing the vegetable printing Year 1 did



The children's masks for their play and the storytellers told the story of "The Little Red Hen"

Photos of our very busy weeks!



Sunshine and Nate from Juniper planned their sequence of travelling and balancing very well in PE!



Chestnut Class working on their rugby skills!



Year 2 children making maps out of natural resources



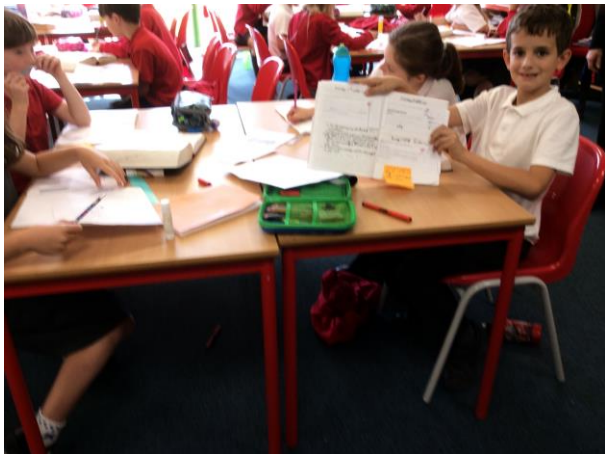
Year 1 children showing a good attitude to learning



Joel and Alastair were busy designing and making Robots



Reception children enjoyed observing a caterpillar



Harry in Oak class is very proud of his hard work!



Year 5 /6 are desperate to find out what happens next in "Rooftoppers!"

Achievement Leaves on the Tree:

06:10:17 Damson –Rose, Elder –Mia T, Hawthorn – Jacob, Juniper –Nate, Lime –Ellie, Maple –Nicola, Oak – Harry, Pine –Harrison, Silver Birch – Dylan , Willow –Freddie



13:10:17

Chestnut – Phoebe, Damson – Caris, Elder –Immie, Hawthorn –Christopher, Juniper –Emily, Lime –Oscar, Maple – Ollie K, Oak – Kieron, Pine –Will, Silver Birch –Archie , Willow – William



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017 – 2018 - correct at time of issue (may be subject to unavoidable changes)

AUTUMN TERM 2017 (may be subject to unavoidable changes)

INSET DAYS 2017 – 2018 Monday 30th October, Monday 19th February, Friday 8th June, Friday 6th July

Monday 23-27 October Half Term

Monday 30th October Inset Day

Thursday 2nd November – Online Safety Support Meeting for parents

Thursday 9th & Friday 10th Trampoline Taster Days for all classes

Monday 13th November – Anti Bullying Week

Friday 17th November – Children In Need

Thursday 23rd November Eucharist at the church

Friday 24th November – Open Afternoon

Monday 27th November & Wednesday 29th November – Parent Consultations

Wednesday 29th November Flu Vaccinations Years R,1,2,3,4

Monday 4th December – Carols around the Tree

Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th December 9.30am & 2.00pm – Reception/ Year 1 & 2 Nativity (Team A & B to be advised at a later date)

Thursday 14th December – House Treat

Monday 18th December – Interim Reports to go home

Tuesday 19th December – Party Day

Wednesday 20th December – Reception / Key Stage 1 Christingle 9.30am , Key Stage 2 Christingle 10.30am

Wednesday 20th December – Christmas Lunch

There will be further dates to be added, we are just awaiting confirmation of these dates.

