

Friday, 15th November
2024

Kingsfield's



NEWSLETTER



A message from Mrs Hodson...

We have had another fantastic week at Kingsfield, with memories to last a lifetime being made across the school... Our KS1 and 2 children have made us incredibly proud on their trips to the Brampton Toy Museum and Knowsley Safari Park. They behaved impeccably and a brilliant day was had by all. We also enjoyed welcoming the grown ups from Early Years back to school with their children for our Early Years bedtime stories parent engagement, we hope you enjoyed this special event.

Today I have been seeing lots of spots-I do hope everyone is OK! ;-) Thank you all so much for your kind donations, supporting the fabulous Children in Need charity. Please click the following link to donate, if you haven't yet had chance:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/kingsfield-first-school-the-children-first-lp?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fkingsfield-first-school-the-children-first-lp&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share

We hope you all have a great weekend, from Mrs Hodson, Ozzy, Elvis and all at Team Kingsfield.

This Week's
Winners is:
Brilliant
Butterflies

Class Attendance

Brilliant Butterflies	98.1%
Busy Bees	96.52%
Charming Cheetahs	96.52%
Perfect Panthers	88.1%
Learning Lions	97%
Super Squirrels	98.06%
Fantastic Foxes	95.67%
Wise Owls	97.59%

WE ARE
HIRING



School Matters!

Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Our whole school attendance
target is 96%.
This week, our school
attendance was: 96.11%



Next week
we are on
week 3 of
our lunch
menu

After Half Term...

Monday	New Nursery & Reception Starters Open Day 1.30pm
Tuesday	SS swimming-3
Wednesday	
Thursday	WO Forest School-2
Friday	Non Uniform Day in exchange for items for the Christmas Fayre: EYFS-Chocolates KS1-Toiletries KS2-Bottles

Please see the updated dates
sheet on our website.

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor.

The position is term time only for 1 hour per day with an hourly rate of £11.79 (Grade 2 Scale point 3)

If you are interested or know someone who may be, then please call the school office on 01782 973800 for an application pack.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people / vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

This position is subject to a criminal records check from the Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly CRB) which will require you to disclose details of all unspent and unfiltered spent reprimands, formal warnings, cautions and convictions in your application form.

It is an offence to apply for this position if you are barred from engaging in regulated activity.

Rewards and Celebrations



Clever Caterpillars - Myles
Brilliant Butterflies - Jenson K
Busy Bees - Skye
Charming Cheetahs - Daisy
Perfect Panthers - Cody
Learning Lions - Oscar A
Super Squirrels - Oscar L
Fantastic Foxes - Harry S
Wise Owls - Jack

Clever Caterpillars - Reid
Brilliant Butterflies - Rosy
Busy Bees - Blake
Charming Cheetahs - Alice
Perfect Panthers - Elijah
Learning Lions - Hugo
Super Squirrels - Elsie
Fantastic Foxes - Frankie
Wise Owls - Parker

Clever Caterpillars - Ellie G
Brilliant Butterflies - Willow S
Busy Bees - Reggie W
Charming Cheetahs - Frankie
Perfect Panthers - Ralph
Learning Lions - Oakleigh
Super Squirrels - Alice
Fantastic Foxes - Olivia
Wise Owls - Isabelle



Other Celebrations....

Well done to Jackson who has passed his stage 3 in swimming

Please send an email to office.kng@cflptrust.co.uk if you would like to share any of your child's outside of school achievements.

House Points

Mars	269
Earth	231
Saturn	177
Jupiter	282

Admission open for 2025

Reception and Year 4
Middle School Places



The application process for a reception or junior/middle school place for September 2025 will open on 01 November 2024.

The closing date is 15 January 2025.

Grandparents SING-A-LONG

Come along to our Grandparents sing-a-long! Get into the Christmas spirit with your grandchildren, enjoy a warm drink and a mince, all whilst having a good sing-a-long to well known Christmas hits!

£3.50 per adult

Includes entry, a hot drink & mince pie. The grandchildren get juice and a biscuit!

Bring some pennies for the Christmas Raffle!

Tickets on sale via your child's class - letter coming home

Save the Date!

Wednesday 18th December

EYFS - 9am - 10am

KS1 - 10.15am - 11.15am

KS2 - 2pm - 3pm



Noticeboard...



WE NEED YOU!

We currently have a parent governor vacancy on our Local Advisory Board.

If you have knowledge of the education system and this is something that interests you, please email: office.kng@cflptrust.co.uk to express an interest and provide some further details about yourself and your expertise.



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SANTA'S GROTTO

FRIDAY, 29TH
NOVEMBER AT OUR
CHRISTMAS FAYRE -
SEE THE LETTER TO
BOOK YOUR PLACE

£4.50 PER TICKET
(£2.50 FOR ADDITIONAL
KINGSFIELD SIBLINGS)

Price includes craft activities,
a story with Santa's elves, a
photo opportunity with Santa
and a small gift.

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR

MULTI SPORTS HOLIDAY CLUBS

KINGSFIELD FIRST SCHOOL

Come and join us for some sports, games and activities from January 02-03. Our action packed program gives children the chance to remain active, develop skills and make new friends within a safe and secure program.

**MULTI-SPORTS - ASSAULT COURSE - WELLBEING
PARALYMPICS - ARTS & CRAFTS - ALTERNATIVE SPORTS
TEAM-BUILDING - COMBAT SPORTS + MUCH MORE!**

FULL DAY 08:30-16:30

Ofsted Registered

We accept payment of child care vouchers from most schemes. Applies at selected venues.

Half Day options available:
AM 08:30-12:30 PM 12:30-16:30

Booster Events:
INFLATABLES - BRING A BIKE - CIRCUS SKILLS - FRISBEE GOLF - MINI GOLF

FREE PLACES

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

Children eligible for free school meals can access up to two full days. Includes a healthy meal and drink.

EARLY BIRD
Full Day
£20.00
Expires December 16

SCAN HERE

Book now at asmsports.co.uk
Call: 01782 366332 Email: info@asmsports.co.uk

Working with
Kingsfield First School

mychildart

Your child has uploaded a Christmas drawing to our website!
VIEW NOW

by logging into the parent order portal at
www.mychildart.co.uk/order

Order portals open NOW until the 31st December

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT FOR 2 WEEKS ONLY

Use code **Kingsfield5X24** during checkout for 10% off your order!

One use only. Excludes all sale and RRP. Valid for 2 weeks from the start of opening date, not for date that you receive the order. Not applicable to school orders and cannot be added to an order that has been cancelled.

Username: **Kingsfield5**
Access Code: **4bhg24aw**

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Scan here



This week our spotlight is on Christmas!



Nativity performances

EYFS are performing *Our First Christmas Play*

KS1 are performing *The Nativity*

KS2 are performing *Straw and Order*

Letters regarding costumes and lines were sent out earlier this week-we have some costumes available, please speak to a member of staff for more information.

Up-coming dates for the diary

Friday 22nd November

Non-uniform day in exchange for raffle prizes for Christmas fayre. We kindly ask for donations of the following:

EYFS—Chocolates

KS1—Toiletries

KS2—Bottles

Friday 29th November

3:30-4:30 Christmas Fayre

Thursday 12th December

Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner day

Monday 16th December

9.30am Choir singing at Sainsburys

Wednesday, 18th December

Grandparents Singalong

Thursday 19th December

Christmas party day

Friday 20th December

Closed for Christmas

Nativity Week Dates

Monday 9th December - 1:45pm EYFS

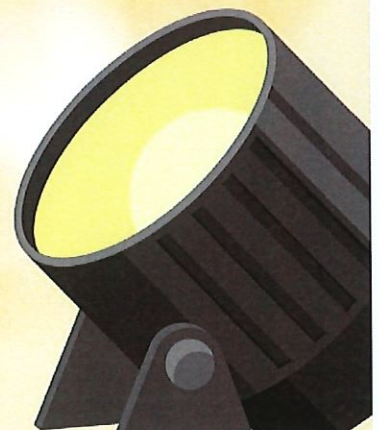
Tuesday 10th December - 9:45 EYFS

Tuesday 10th December - 1:45 and 6pm KS1

Wednesday 11th December - 9:45 KS1

Wednesday 11th December - 1:45 and 6pm KS2

Thursday 12th December - 9:45 KS2



This week our spotlight is on our Christmas Fayre...



Tombolas and hampers-thank you in advance for your donations next week!



On Friday 29th November at 3.30pm we have our Christmas Fayre. Here is a sneak peek at some of the things our fabulous PTFA have planned...

Toy & Book Sale-donations welcome please...



Face painting and glitter tattoos



Pre-loved Christmas Jumper sale-donations gratefully received



Games



Santa's Grotto and Christmas Crafts-remember to pre-book and pay please





This week our
spotlight is on our
Christmas Raffle!



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INSPIRING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER



KINGSFIELD RAFFLE

Do you want a chance to win some fantastic prizes? Our Raffle Contest gives you the opportunity to win big while also helping a good cause. Tickets are available from your child's class teacher and they will be on sale at the Christmas Fayre.

£2 a strip

Prizes include vouchers for...

STOKE SKI CENTRE

DIMENSIONS

HIDEAWAY CAFE

FAMILY PIZZA

BIDDULPH FISH BAR

SWIM HUB

TUMERIC INDIAN RESTAURANT

JELLYBEAN WARDROBE

TRENTAM MONKEY FOREST

JUST KIDDING HANLEY

INFLATO AND MANY MORE...

Thank you so much to all the businesses that have supported our raffle and to our wonderful PTFA!



This week our spotlight is on attendance...



Our attendance target for this year is 96.5%

At Kingsfield First School we are committed to working together to ensure all pupils receive the best education possible and to enable them to make progress and do as well as they can. For this to happen, pupils need to be in school to access the valuable teaching and learning opportunities.

Good attendance is celebrated at Kingsfield in a number of ways including class percentages on the newsletter, celebration assemblies, displays and termly treats.

Thank you for your continued support, most children have great attendance in our school.



Please could we ask that all routine medical appointments (dentist etc) are made for outside of school hours. We understand that this is not always possible for hospital appointments etc.



Our Attendance Officers meet Miss Matthews and Miss Edge regularly to discuss ways we can improve attendance at Kingsfield. They are our attendance **HEROES**-Here Everyday Ready On Time!

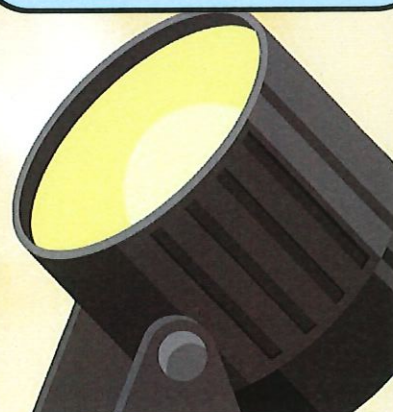
PUNCTUALITY MATTERS!		
MINUTES LATE PER DAY DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR		APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF DAYS TEACHING LOST IN A YEAR
5 mins	EQUALS	3 days
10 mins		6 days
15 mins		9 days
20 mins		12 days
30 mins		18 days

Please visit our website for more information and guidance...

[Attendance – Kingsfield First School](#)
[| Biddulph | Staffordshire](#)

How we can support you?

We know that life does not always go as planned, especially in busy family homes in the morning getting ready for the school day. Our staff are able to signpost support for families, if there are ongoing issues, we will support families as much as possible and want to work together to support our children. We appreciate that at this time of year, attendance levels can be affected by illness, to support with knowing whether your child can be in school, we have attached the following NHS guidance: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)





We are proud to be part of the Little Heroes Campaign...



Make every day count

Regularly being absent from school can lead to a significant loss of learning opportunities, potentially putting your child at a disadvantage later in life.

- If your child has 95% attendance, which means 9 days off school, it can significantly affect their performance, making it unlikely they will meet the expected standards in reading, writing, and maths.
- If your child has 90% attendance, missing 19 days of school, this can cause your child's academic performance to drop by up to 50%.

Attendance during one school year	Equals this number of days absent	Which is approximately this many weeks absent	Which equals this many lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons

The Department for Education is introducing important changes regarding school attendance and the issuing of penalty notices when children are absent from school.

The changes to the National Framework for Penalty Notices mean that parents will face stricter rules regarding their child's school attendance.

These changes are designed to ensure children attend school regularly and parents take greater responsibility for their child's education. To find out more about these changes, visit: www.gov.uk



Raising Little Heroes

HERE
EVERY DAY
READY
ON TIME

SCAN ME



Supporting parents to help their child to attend school every day

Helpful Heroes



Every hero has worries, but together we can manage them.



School attendance

Attending school on a regular basis is the key to your child doing well at school and will set them up with good habits for later life. It will also give your child the opportunity to:

- Make friends and improve social interaction
- Learn new things and develop skills
- Increase confidence and self-esteem
- Have better career prospects
- Achieve their potential and fulfil their aspirations

Absences

Did you know? Absence disrupts the education of the individual pupil and the whole class. Children who do not attend school regularly can:

- Struggle to achieve well in exams
- Fall behind in class
- Find it difficult to maintain friendships
- Miss out on important and fun opportunities

What if my child doesn't want to go to school?

Some children are reluctant to attend school or look to their parents to provide them with an excuse. Never give in to pressure to let a child stay off school, it may make things worse.

If you are experiencing problems, talking to your child's school is the best place to start. Don't be afraid to contact your child's teacher or head teacher - communicating is the first step to addressing the issue. Most problems can be resolved once the school is made aware of the situation.

What is the Little Heroes campaign?

We understand that for many families, getting their children to attend school can be a real challenge, and many children face significant barriers.

Staffordshire County Council have launched their school attendance campaign to support and encourage regular school attendance, with a strong focus on emotional health support.

Our Little Heroes campaign focuses the message:

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Around your child's school, you may spot creative Little Hero on display to remind and motivate pupils, as well as sticker charts and certificates to reward pupils that are leading by example and to create a fun and engaging attendance activity in the classroom.

To find out more about the campaign, please visit www.staffordshire.gov.uk/littleheroes

Helpful Heroes

For pupils that are struggling with their emotional health, we have created a 'Helpful Heroes' workbook to understand children's barriers to avoiding school and to help manage their worries through a book full of mindfulness activities, suitable for their age group.

If you feel your child could benefit from one of our Helpful



Little Heroes Assemble

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How many HERO stickers can you get?

