



Your weekly guide to life at Kingsway Infant School

Best School in East of England for Pupil Premium

-----6th September 2103-----

Wonder Wall Question

Can you describe a peach to someone who has never seen one?

Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome you back for the start of another school year and I hope you had a very enjoyable summer break. I extend an especially warm welcome to our new families. All the staff have commented on how well the children have settled into their new classes, especially our Reception children, who are already getting to know their way around the school.

We are really pleased with the punctuality of the children this week. A prompt 8.55am start to the beginning of the day helps them with social relationships and ensures no learning is missed. On the very rare occasion you may arrive with your child after 8.55am please report to the school office.

Children with 100% attendance are rewarded at the end of each half term, term and school year.

School Council and Eco Champions

Congratulations to all who have been successfully voted to represent their classes for the year. We look forward to working to improve our brilliant school even more during the coming year. The school council meet monthly with Mrs Walmsley and along with the Eco Champions regularly take assembly on a Friday.

CLASS	SCHOOL COUNCIL	ECO CHAMPION
ORANGE	Kimberley + Oliver	Leila + Aaron
RED	Roxanne + George	Jessic + Otis
YELLOW	Lucie + Billy	Lily + Jake
GREEN	Jessie + Shay	Emma + Greg
BLUE	Alex + Indie	Kacey + Billy
PURPLE	Lily Mae + Ozzie	Francesca + Riley
WHITE	James Dean + Ellie	Ruby + Alfie

Holiday Absence

Recent changes to legislation make it clear that unless there are exceptional circumstances Headteachers no longer have the discretion to allow up to 10 days in a school year for a family holiday or to agree extended leave for parents to visit their country of origin. If your child is absent from school because of a holiday which has not been agreed this will be classified as an unauthorised absence and you may be fined and legal action taken against you. If there are exceptional circumstances please make an appointment to discuss these with Mrs Walmsley.

DIARY DATES

Monday 2nd September

INSET Day

TERM STARTS

Term begins for children

Tuesday 3rd September

Tuesday 10th September

2.45 pm Year 1 *Parents Meet the Teacher*

Friday 13th September

2.45 pm Year 2 *Parents Meet the Teacher*

Monday 16th September

2.40 pm *Reception Parents Meet the Teacher*

Wednesday 25th September

9.15 am Harvest Assembly –
Orange, Green, Blue & White Classes

2.15 pm Harvest Assembly –

Red, Yellow & Purple classes

HALF TERM

28th October – 1st November

TERM ENDS

20th December 2013 at 1.30 pm

Letters

Sent Out This Week

School Meal Order
Forms

P'zazz Singing Club

Cheerleading Club

Choir (now full)

Road Safety

We have had very positive results from the petition that Mrs Palmer initiated last term. During the summer break the bushes and trees have been cut back from the path and road improving visibility for pedestrians and road traffic along North Approach near the school. Two staggered pedestrian barriers have been installed on the path at the top of the subway to prevent running or cycling out onto the road. Funding has been made available to put in place a speed and volume count so the speed of traffic using that stretch of road can be established to see if further measure are needed to slow traffic. Thank you to Mrs Palmer and all who supported the petition.

School Fund Contributions

We are once again asking for a contribution of £3 per term towards school funds. This will be spent on food for cooking, art, and science and technology materials. Please send your contribution to school, via the post boxes, cash in a named sealed envelope, cheques payable to Kingsway Infant School or pay via WisePay by debit/credit card. You may pay £3.00 per term or £9.00 for the whole year. Thank you for your support.

Child Protection Procedure at Kingsway Infant School

It may be helpful for parents to know that Headteachers are required to report any obvious or suspected cases of child abuse or neglect to Social Services. This procedure is intended to protect children at risk. Headteachers are encouraged to take the attitude that, where there are grounds for suspicion, it is better to be safe than sorry. This does mean that there is a risk of upsetting some parents by reporting a case, which on investigation proves unfounded. In such circumstances, it is hoped parents will appreciate how difficult it is to carry out this delicate responsibility, and would accept that the Headteacher was acting in what were believed to be the child's best interests. To find out more about this you can read our Child Protection Policy in full on our website. As members of the community we all have a duty to report any concerns or suspicions that a child is not being treated correctly. You can telephone Children Schools and Families on 0300 123 4043 to report your concerns or if it is very serious/urgent dial 999 and ask for the police.

Staff Meeting

On a Friday morning from 8.25 am to 8.50 am we have a whole staff meeting and the school is closed to parents and pupils. Therefore you will not be able to bring your child into the classroom earlier (even if it is raining) or pop in to see the classteacher. Please see the teachers at the end of the day or write a note or make an appointment.

Flower Festival
Stanborough Park Church
13th September
Viewing 10am-5pm
14th September
Viewing 2pm-5pm
Concert 7.00 pm
Gala Dinner 8.30 pm £20
15th September
Viewing 10am-5pm
01923 260270

School Meals

£2.05 per day
£10.25 per week

Correct cash please

or
Cheques payable to
Herts Catering Ltd
or
Debit/Credit Card on
WisePay

**ALL ORDERS FOR MEALS MUST BE
RECEIVED IN ADVANCE UNLESS
EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES.**

Reminders

Please remember to bring a coat to school as the weather is now very changeable!

Bring a water bottle filled with fresh water each day

All clothes and accessories must be named