



Pupils of the Week				
	Betty Bee Award	Wilbur Woodpecker Award	Olive Owl Award	Samuel Squirrel Award
Kingfishers	Isabelle	Alana	Hattie	Ruben
Jackdaws	Emi	Sophia	Daisie	Arthur
Ospreys	Ivy Matilda	Charlie	Sahara	Megan
Head of School Award				
Sophie in Jackdaws class for A caring attitude towards herself, her classroom and her peers				

Dear Parents

Apologies for not getting the Parents' Evening signing up sheet out yesterday afternoon, the time got away with me I'm afraid, but it will definitely be out there this afternoon!

It was lovely to see all the children back in school looking so keen. The teachers spent much of the INSET day making their plans for the term, including some outdoor learning days and trips out. We are mindful that we cannot make too many definite plans as we still need to be aware that restrictions can change at a moment's notice, but we hope to resume some of the usual summer term activities such as sports day and a whole school trip. It also looks like we will also be able to use the Village Hall again soon.

HOME LEARNING

Each class has received a leaflet outlining the curriculum for this term – please ask your child about this if you have not seen it. There will also be a copy going on the school website.

We discussed 'Home Learning' at length on the INSET day. All the teachers want home learning to be meaningful and not just something to cause issues. We ALL agree that daily reading is ESSENTIAL, with the time spent on reading increasing as they go through the school. As a guideline, these are the minimum expectations:

- Reception – 10 minutes daily
- Year 1 – read the whole book daily
- Year 2/3/4 – 20 minutes daily
- Year 5/6 – 20-30 minutes daily

Spelling:

Weekly spellings will be given to children in Years 1-6. These are taken directly from the statutory spelling lists in the National Curriculum and are given as home learning because they sit outside the spelling pattern teaching that we do in class. In Year 1 and 2 these are generally the words that are considered 'high frequency' words, meaning that they are encountered regularly in all texts and are often not spelt phonetically. Knowing how to spell these words will help with the fluency of writing. In Years 3-6, the words become less common words but are in the statutory learning for those age groups. Spelling patterns continue to be taught throughout the school in English lessons, but those statutory spellings are in addition to the patterns taught.

Maths

Key facts sheets will be sent home that match to the learning being done in class. These might be number bonds, times-tables, key vocabulary etc and are best practised little and often while going about daily tasks. For example, reciting the 3 times table while going up the stairs, on a car journey etc...

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PTFA News

Our annual duck race can go ahead this year on Friday 7th May. The children really do enjoy watching and cheering the ducks along the stream. Each family will be sent home 5 raffle tickets either today or Monday, please can we ask you to try and sell them at £1 a ticket to family, friends etc. There will be cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place!

If you require more tickets please message Emma James (details sent via ParentMail) with your child's name and what class they are in and how many tickets you would like, we can then send them home with your child.

Your support is as always very much appreciated, especially in these strange times still. PLEASE RETURN ALL NON SOLD TICKETS AND MONEY TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 5TH MAY

Good luck

PTFA Team

PTFA DUCK RACE

Registered Charity Number: 1047003



Friday 7th May @ 11am

£1 a duck

Each child will be sent home with 5 tickets

All classes will be cheering the ducks on.



1st Duck Home - £20

2nd Duck Home - £10

3rd Duck Home - £5

Thank you for supporting the PTFA in raising funds for the children and school.

School Diary Dates

Our forthcoming events and diary dates are on our website listed in the *News & Events* section.

More specific details can be viewed online by clicking on the relevant event, this will then display the letter content or additional information

www.kilmington-primary.org.uk/news/school-diary/

April	
Wed 28 th	Kingfisher outdoor learning – PACKED LUNCH
Wed 28 th	Parents' Evenings via Zoom (by appointment/sign-up sheet)
May	
Mon 3 rd	School Closed - Bank Holiday
Wed 5 th	Kingfisher outdoor learning – PACKED LUNCH
Wed 5 th	Parents' Evenings via Zoom (by appointment/sign-up sheet)
Thurs 6 th	Jackdaws outdoor learning – after lunch
Fri 7th	PTFA Annual Duck Race
Mon 10 th	Ospreys outdoor learning – after lunch
Wed 12 th	Kingfisher outdoor learning – PACKED LUNCH
Mon 17 th	Ospreys outdoor learning – after lunch
Wed 19 th	Kingfisher Science Day (parents to transport: arrive 9.30am / collect 2.30pm) - PACKED LUNCH
Thurs 20 th	Jackdaws outdoor learning – after lunch
Mon 24 th	Kingfisher outdoor learning – PACKED LUNCH
Mon 24th	PTFA Bag2School collection 9.00am
Fri 28th	PTFA non-uniform day – donations for Spring Hamper
Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June Half Term	
July	
Fri 11th	PTFA Hamper Draw
July	
Tues 6 th	R-Y5 Move up morning
Tues 6 th	Y6 Axe Valley Transition Day (information from AVA)
Mon 12 th	Sports Day
Tues 13 th	Y5 STEM day
Wed 14 th	Reserve Sports Day
Mon 19 th	TBC Y6 Bikeability
Tues 20 th	TBC Y6 Bikeability
Wed 21 st	TBC Y5 Bikeability
Thurs 22 nd	TBC Y5 Bikeability
Thurs 22 nd	Last day of term – normal pick up time
Fri 23 rd	Non Pupil Day – Staff Training
Mon 26 th	School Closed – Occasional Day
Tues 27 th	School Closed – Occasional Day
Wednesday 28th July – Friday 3rd September Summer Break	
MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER – NON PUPIL DAY	