

# KETTLEFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

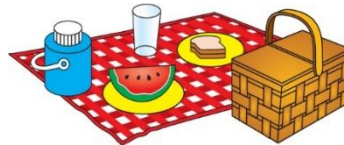
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10<sup>th</sup> July 2026



### WHOLE SCHOOL PICNIC NEXT THURSDAY

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July, we will be having an end of term picnic at lunchtime. Instead of the usual hot lunch, our cook will be providing a picnic lunch for all those who book a school dinner. Weather permitting, we will all gather on the field to celebrate the end of term – please remember your sunhats and water bottles!



### YEAR 6 LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY

We would like to extend a warm invitation to the parents and carers of our current Year 6 cohort to join us for our Leavers' Assembly on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 9am. This is always a special occasion as we celebrate the achievements, memories, and milestones of our Year 6 pupils before they move on to the next exciting chapter. There will be a leavers lunch for all children on the 17<sup>th</sup> July, with the menu chosen by Year 6. Please login to Arbor and make the usual lunch payment of £2.70.

**LEAVERS LUNCH**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026

BBQ Chicken Pizza served with Potato Wedges  
Baked Beans or Corn on the Cob & Fresh Salad  
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Tomato & Cheese Pizza served with Potato Wedges  
Baked Beans or Corn on the Cob & Fresh Salad  
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Caramel Mousse  
Fresh Fruit  
Fruit Jelly

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### YEAR 6 SCHOOL PAYMENTS

For Year 6 children, please check your lunch balance on Arbor and ensure that there are enough funds to cover lunch payments up until the last day of term. Any remaining credit over £1.00 at the end of term will be refunded to parents via the original payment method.

Please also ensure that all After School and Breakfast Club payments are up to date. It is important that no debts remain for all Year 6 pupils.

### DIARY DATES

#### 10<sup>th</sup> July

- Last Rocksteady lesson for the term
- Last celebration assembly for this term
- Ice cream Friday
- Reports go home today

#### 13<sup>th</sup> July

- Swifts & Peregrines Performance to whole school 1.30pm
- Singsational Show 4.00pm

#### 14<sup>th</sup> July

- Swifts & Peregrines Performance 2.30pm

#### 15<sup>th</sup> July

- Swifts & Peregrines Performance 9.00am
- Flute/recorder lessons with Mrs Dunton

#### 16<sup>th</sup> July

- Whole school picnic lunch
- Cricket club 3.30-4.30pm KS1
- Swifts & Peregrines Performance 6.00pm

#### 17<sup>th</sup> July

- Summer Term ends
- Leavers' assembly for Year 6 parents at 9.00am
- NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

#### 20<sup>th</sup> July – 1<sup>st</sup> September

- SUMMER HOLIDAYS

#### 1<sup>st</sup> September

- PD DAY

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> September

- Autumn Term starts

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## REPORTS

It has been a fantastic year for the school, with lots of positives to celebrate.

School reports will be sent home today. Please do complete the comments slip and return it to the class teacher or school office. We value your input, so comments are appreciated.

## ROBINS CLASS

The Robins loved watching the match highlights in their snack time on Monday!

Good luck England in the next round!

## KINGFISHERS OUTBACK ART

On Tuesday, Kingfishers had a very busy afternoon drawing the Australian Outback.

The children used their pencil and watercolour skills to make some beautiful landscape paintings. We discussed what colours would be best to use, and even what native Australian animals to include!

They had a great afternoon exploring Australia and cannot wait to learn more!



## BEING THANKFUL AND MOVING ON

Many thanks to Rev Moggridge for coming in on Thursday to take an assembly. She shared Psalm 100, a psalm of thankfulness from the Bible.

As we come towards the end of the school year, the children were encouraged to look back with gratitude and to be thankful for all they have. They all shouted together a big 'thank you to our teachers'!

The Reverend also gave all our Year 6 children a booklet about moving up to their new schools and took the opportunity to pray for them as they leave Kettlefields.

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## SWIFTS & PEREGRINES PERFORMANCE

The excitement is building as our Year 4/5/6 children put the finishing touches to their production of *The Big One-Oh!*, taking to the stage next week.



If you haven't already, please log in to School Gateway to reserve your tickets and join us for this fun-filled, heartwarming musical adventure.

A maximum of 2 tickets are available per family for each performance. Tickets cost £4 each; please select the date of the performance/s you wish to attend and pay £4 for 1 ticket or £8 for 2 tickets. Tickets will not be sent home; we will keep an electronic register instead.

## YEAR 5 VISIT CANCELLED

Just a reminder that due to the heat, today's visit to the National Stud and racecourse is cancelled, however, those parents who have reserved tickets may collect their child at 12.00pm, if they would still like to attend the races.



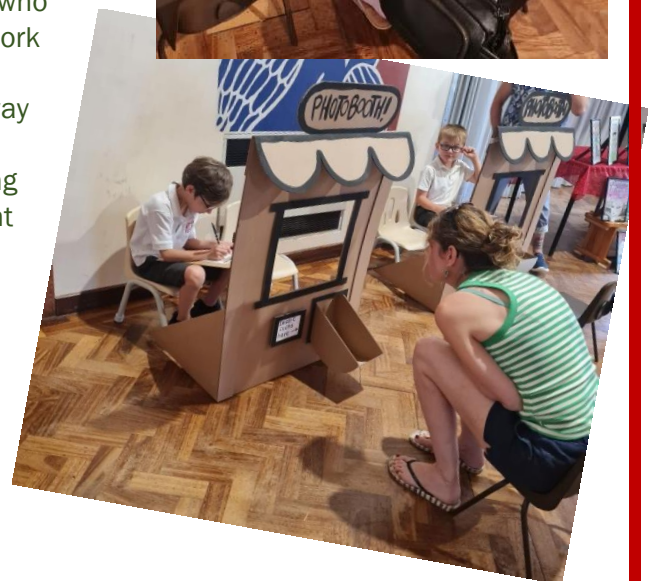
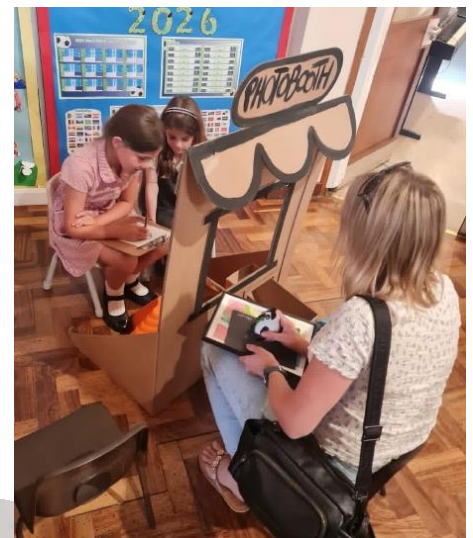
## WHOLE SCHOOL ART SHOW

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to our Art Show on Friday afternoon last week.

The children absolutely loved sharing their incredible artwork with you, and it was wonderful to hear so many positive comments about the high quality of art at Kettlefields.

Thank you also to everyone who purchased their child's artwork and took part in our portrait booths. It was a fantastic way to raise money for the PTFA while having lots of fun along the way. We raised a brilliant £413.34!

Many thanks also to DS Smith for providing the cardboard for our photo booths.



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## THE BIG FUTURE SURVEY

Thank you to those who have already completed the Children's Commissioner Survey. This survey has been launched to enable parents' views to be shared with the government.



To take part in the survey please click on the link: [About this survey : The Big Future survey - have your say!](#)

## OPEN AFTERNOON

Thank you to everyone who came along to this week's open afternoons. The children loved sharing their work with you and it was fantastic to see so many parents.

## WORLD ROBOT OLYMPIAD (WRO)

Following on from last week's newsletter, we are delighted to hear that Tala & Alex's team qualified for the International Finals in the WRO! Here is Tala's report from Google Classroom:



*On Friday, Alex and I competed in the World Robot Olympiad (WRO) UK National Final. The event was attended by His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Leicestershire and the local MP, who is the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology.*

*We did really well and have qualified to represent the UK at the International Finals!*

*We also toured the space research centre at the University of Leicester, where we got to hold a real rock from Mars!*

## VOLUNTEERS FOR READING

Do you have an hour to spare each week? We are looking for enthusiastic parent, grandparent and community volunteers to support our children with reading during afternoon sessions on a weekly basis.

Reading regularly with an adult can make a huge difference to a child's confidence, fluency and enjoyment of books. As a volunteer, you would spend time listening to children read, encouraging them and helping to foster a love of reading.

To promote independence and help all children feel confident in their learning environment, it is unlikely that you would be placed in your own child's class. Instead, we would love to welcome you as a reading helper in another classroom, where your support would be just as valuable.

If you are able to commit to a regular weekly afternoon and would like to make a real difference to our children's reading journey, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact the school office for more information or to register your interest. Please note that we request references and a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check for all school volunteers.

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## KETTLEFIELDS CHALLENGE AT THE ELLESMERE SUMMER SHOW

What a fantastic display of amazing artwork at the Summer Show last weekend. There were so many lovely comments about what talented artists we have, and the judges had such a tricky job to choose their winners!

Well done to all the winners! Elsie from Kingfishers came 1<sup>st</sup> overall.

A huge thank you to Mrs Palmer and the children for singing at the show. The children sang absolutely beautifully and it was lovely to see so many people enjoying listening to them. Thank you to parents for bringing your children along and supporting this community event.



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## FOREST SCHOOL

This week was Robins' last Forest School session with Mrs Hyde Dragonfly.

The weekly visits have provided so many wonderful learning opportunities and have become a real highlight of the week for so many of the children.

Roasting marshmallows over a campfire was a particular favourite!

## FOOTBALL CLUB (AFTER SCHOOL NEXT HALF TERM)

In September, we will be offering an after school Football club on the following Fridays, which will be run by staff from Prestige Sports Development:

- 4<sup>th</sup> September
- 11<sup>th</sup> September
- 18<sup>th</sup> September
- 25<sup>th</sup> September
- 2<sup>nd</sup> October
- 9<sup>th</sup> October
- 16<sup>th</sup> October
- 23<sup>rd</sup> October (Last one)
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This will be available to pupils who will be in 3, 4, 5 & 6 in September (current Years 2, 3, 4 & 5). The club will run from 2.15pm until 3.15pm. Pupils who are signed up to attend will need to bring an afternoon snack, plenty to drink and trainers.



There are limited spaces available. Parents are able to sign their child up to attend on the School Gateway App, under the 'payments' section.



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## AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB SUMMER PARTY

Join us for a special end-of-term celebration with a traditional summer fête theme on Wednesday 15th July from 3:30pm to 5:30pm. The children can enjoy a range of exciting activities, including:

Hook-a-Duck / Token Tombola / Traditional fête games / Cake Stall

There is no need to bring money, all the above are included in the cost of after school club session. This event is exclusively for children attending After-School Club and is not open to families or siblings.

If your child would like to attend, please book their place for After-School Club on 15th July via School Gateway.

We have a limited number of spaces available. We look forward to celebrating the end of term together.

## WRAPAROUND CARE

Breakfast Club and After School Club can be booked via the School Gateway App.



**AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB SUMMER PARTY!**

AN END-OF-TERM CELEBRATION WITH A TRADITIONAL SUMMER FÊTE THEME!

WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY 3:30PM - 5:30PM AT AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB

CHILDREN CAN ENJOY:

- HOOK-A-DUCK
- TOKEN TOMBOLA
- TRADITIONAL FÊTE GAMES
- CAKE STALL
- ICE CREAMS FOR OUR SNACK

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- This event is exclusively for children attending After-School Club.
- The Summer Party is not open to families or siblings.
- Limited spaces are available.

**BOOK NOW!**

To secure your child's place, please book After-School Club for WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY via **SCHOOL GATEWAY**

BOOKINGS WILL BE ALLOCATED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

After School Club Activities week beginning 13 <sup>th</sup> July	
MONDAY	Outdoor games
TUESDAY	Craft session
WEDNESDAY	Party! Spaces are limited, so book now to avoid disappointment.
THURSDAY	Free play
FRIDAY	LAST DAY OF TERM NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

## FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL CLUB UPDATE – SEPTEMBER 2026

We are pleased to let you know that, from September 2026, our Friday after school club will be delivered by staff from Prestige Sports Development. Please note that this change applies to Fridays only, after school provision on all other days will continue as normal.

Parents will continue to book sessions in the usual way through School Gateway, and there will be no changes to the booking process, collection arrangements, or timings. The only difference will be the staff leading the sessions on Fridays. Prestige Sports Development will provide a varied programme of activities each Friday afternoon, designed to appeal to a wide range of interests. Activities may include arts and crafts, Lego and construction, team games and outdoor play etc. Prestige has extensive experience working with schools, and delivers a broad range of programmes, including sports coaching, holiday camps, and enrichment clubs.

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## PTFA NEWSLETTER

### JULY 2026

#### FIREWORKS SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

**Do you have, or know, a business who would like to advertise to 700 people attending our fireworks event this year?**

We have sponsorship packages available that do just that, ensuring your business name and logo is put in front of not only our school community, but also the wider local community of Newmarket and surrounding villages.

If you are interested and would like further information, please email us.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**PTFA AGM WITH CHEESE & WINE**  
**\*ALL INVITED\***

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September, 7.15pm

**CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS**

More info to come in the new school year

**FIREWORKS & BONFIRE EVENT**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November, 5.30pm

#### SPORTS DAY SOCIAL & FAREWELL TO CLARE

**THANK YOU** to all our school community who stayed on for our Sports Day Social. As usual it was a lovely afternoon – all whilst raising over £800. We especially thank all of the wonderful volunteers – such brilliant teamwork as always.

We also said a **fond farewell to Clare**, who has been our brilliant Chair over the last few years.

Under her steerage we have raised money to purchase the mini-bus, the library building, and much more. She has devoted so much effort and many unseen hours into making sure all our events are a success. We send her off with a massive thank you and our best wishes for her next school journey.

**PTFA AGM - MON 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPT**  
**(with Cheese & Wine)**  
**\*ALL INVITED\***

We will hold our Annual General Meeting on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September** and encourage all to attend, even if you've not been involved before – any input is always appreciated as we plan for the year ahead.

**7.15pm at KETTLEFIELDS SCHOOL**

**THE ART SHOW** last week raised over £400 – thank you to everyone who came and supported. The children's work looked fantastic.

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OUR FACEBOOK PAGE - Kettlefields Primary School PTFA

[www.kettlefields.cambs.sch.uk](http://www.kettlefields.cambs.sch.uk)

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**ARE YOU CONTEMPLATING WHETHER TO  
GIVE YOUR CHILD A SMARTPHONE AND  
WHEN THE RIGHT TIME MIGHT BE?**

**CONCERNED ABOUT THE RISKS  
ASSOCIATED WITH INTERNET ACCESS?**

**CURIOUS ABOUT ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS?**

**JOIN US FOR A DISCUSSION TO EXPLORE  
WHAT WE CAN DO AS PARENTS AND AS A  
COMMUNITY, TO NEGATE THE POTENTIAL  
NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF EARLY  
SMARTPHONE USE.**

**Refreshments  
provided!**



Fairstead House

## Who?

Cambridgeshire's SFC

Lead:

**Amy Ruffell**

**also with special  
guests parent and  
daughter, Jo and  
Bella, to talk about  
their lived  
experience  
&  
child  
psychotherapist  
Ellen.**

## When?

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July  
2026  
7- 9pm

## Where?

Fairstead House  
School & Nursery,  
Fordham Road,  
Newmarket,  
CB8 7AA.