KETTLEFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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TRANSITION WEEK AT KETTLEFIELDS

It's been a busy and exciting transition week at Kettlefields. Our Year 6 pupils have thoroughly enjoyed their transition days at their new secondary schools; a big step as they prepare for the next stage in their learning journey. At the other end of the school, we've had the pleasure of welcoming our new Reception pupils for one-to-one meetings with Mrs Arbon. Mrs Moody and Miss Mingay.

The Reception team has also spent time visiting local nurseries, and it was lovely to see the children again during our stay-and-play session on Wednesday morning.

Across the school, pupils have taken part in their move-up days, spending time in their new classrooms with their new teachers and teaching assistants. There's been a real sense of excitement and curiosity as everyone gets ready for the year ahead.

Transition is something we value highly at Kettlefields. These opportunities to build relationships and get familiar with new routines make a real difference and help ensure a smooth and enjoyable start for all our children when they return after the summer break.

KEEPING COOL IN THE SUNSHINE

We started the week with some incredibly hot and sunny weather, and we'd like to say a big thank you to all parents and carers for sending children in with sun hats and applying sun cream before school. Your support really helped us to keep everyone safe and comfortable during the heat.



We made the most of the shade and took regular fresh air breaks to stay cool throughout the day. A special thank you to Mrs Marsh, who kindly bought ice poles for all the children, a thoughtful gesture that was very much appreciated and certainly helped to cool everyone down!

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 Wednesday 23rd 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.

BMX DAY

We are delighted that Mike Mullen, former UK & World Halfpipe Champion from BMX Academy, will be visiting children in Years 4, 5 & 6 on 14th July to deliver an assembly and run workshops. Please



DIARY DATES

4th July

- Rocksteady Concert 9.00am NO CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY this afternoon
- Ice Cream Friday 2.15pm

7th July

• Singsational 3.30-4.30pm

8th July

- Forest School Year R
- After School Forest Club 3.30-5.00pm
- Peregrines/Swifts Performance 2.15pm

9th July

Peregrines/Swifts Performance
 9.00am

10th July

- Peregrines/Swifts Performance6.00pm
- Archery Club KS2 3.30-4.30pm

11th July

- Race Day Year 5
- Celebration Assembly

14th July

• BMX Workshops Years 4, 5 & 6

16th July

 Open Afternoon for all classes and Summer Art Show 3.00-4.30pm

17th July

 Swifts & Peregrines visit to Grafham Water

22nd July

Kingfishers Performance2.30pm

23rd July

- Last Day of Term
- Leavers Assembly 9.00am

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ROCKSTEADY

A big thank you to all the children who took part in this morning's Rock Steady assembly. It was a pleasure to see the progress they're making with their music and to hear their growing confidence as performers. We were also really pleased to see so many parents and carers in attendance, thank you for coming along and supporting the children. Well done to everyone involved.











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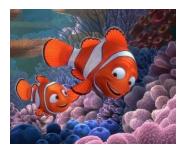
YEAR 5 NEWMARKET RACE DAY

Just a reminder that next Friday, Year 5 will be attending Newmarket Race Day, the final visit in the Under Starters Orders trilogy of trips.

Children should come to school in their full school uniform and bring clothing suitable for the weather forecast (sun hats, waterproofs, etc). Please ensure they have a packed lunch and water bottle. We're looking forward to another exciting and memorable trip to round off this fantastic series of visits.

Parents who have booked tickets for the racing can arrive at midday with the first race due to start at 1.45pm. Children who are not being met by their parents will return to Kettlefields at around 2.30pm.

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FINDING NEMO

The Swifts and Peregrines have all worked incredibly hard over the past few weeks, learning lines, songs, and choreography, and are looking forward to putting on a fantastic show for you next week.

They have also been hard at work preparing the backdrop for the performance. They have

enthusiastically taken to painting the set, bringing colour and creativity to the production preparations. It's been a joy to see everyone so engaged and excited. A big thank you to all involved; the set looks fantastic, and we can't wait to see it all come together on stage next week. Don't forget to book your place for the performances:

- Tuesday 8th July at 2.15pm
- Wednesday 9th July at 9.00am
- Thursday 10th July at 6.00pm

Entry is by ticket only and tickets should be purchased in advance by logging in to School Gateway. 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. All the proceeds of ticket sales will go toward the cost of the performance.

For the Thursday evening performance, we kindly ask that all children taking part arrive back at school at 5.15pm (no earlier). They should go straight to their classrooms to meet their teachers, where they will get changed and prepare for a 6:00pm start. Children should be collected at approximately 7.10pm, once the performance has finished. This is a team effort and an important part of the children's experience, so we ask that all children attend the evening performance, please.

The PTFA will be supporting the event by selling cold drinks at the Thursday evening performance, and raffle tickets will be available to purchase at all performances, so do bring some change along. We can't wait to see you there and to celebrate all the children's hard work on stage.

THANK YOU TO THE NSPCC

We would like to say a big thank you to the NSPCC for visiting us on Tuesday to deliver their 'Speak Out Stay Safe' programme, with workshops specifically for our current Year 2 and Year 5 pupils.



The workshops explained the NSPCC's work and the importance of speaking out if children ever feel worried, unsafe, or unsure. The Speak Out Stay Safe programme is designed to help children understand that they have a right to feel safe, and that there are trusted adults they can speak to if they ever feel uncomfortable or concerned. Through engaging and age-appropriate activities, the children learned how to recognise the signs of abuse and neglect, and how to get help if they need it. Our pupils responded thoughtfully and maturely to the sessions, and we're grateful to the NSPCC team for delivering such an important and valuable day of learning.

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NEWMARKET COMMUNITY AWARDS

We are absolutely thrilled to share that Jane Buick, Kettlefields School Governor and School Mum, has been awarded the Diversity Award at the Newmarket Community Awards, hosted by the Jockey Club on Tuesday evening. This well-deserved recognition celebrates Jane's tireless work in raising awareness and understanding of autism, inspired by her own family's journey.

In her emotional speech, Jane expressed her gratitude to Kettlefields Primary School: Jane thanked Kettlefields Primary School for its work with Thomas. 'It has been our saviour,' she said.

Jane's powerful words are a true reflection of Kettlefields' commitment to inclusion and the way we support all our pupils, especially those with special educational needs. We are incredibly proud to have Jane as part of our school community, both as a parent and as a governor, and we're honoured to have been part of her family's story. Well done, Jane, we are so proud of you. See this week's Newmarket Journal front page for the full article.

WHOLE SCHOOL OPEN AFTERNOON/ART SHOW

All classes will be hosting a parent's open afternoon on Wednesday 16th July from 3.00pm to 4.30pm. This will include a fabulous Summer Art Show with a chance to buy your children's latest fully framed masterpiece!



Art will cost £5 and we will take cash payments only. All money raised goes to the PTFA. We look forward to seeing you there.



KINGFISHERS ASSEMBLY PERFORMANCE OF CASTLES & KNIGHTS

Don't forget to book your tickets by logging in to School Gateway. A maximum of 3 tickets are available per family. Please pay £2 for 1 ticket, £4 for 2 tickets, £6 for 3 (please note that this payment item can only be used once on School Gateway). Tickets will not be issued, a register of tickets purchased will instead be kept.

AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL CLUB

In September, we will be offering an after school football club on the following Tuesdays:

- 9th September
- 16th September
- 23rd September
- 30th September
- 7th October
- 14th October
- 21st October



There are a few spaces left for children who will be pupils who will be in years 3 and 4 in September. The club will be run from 3.30pm until 4.30pm. Pupils who are signed up to attend will need to bring an afternoon snack, PE kit and football boots. There are limited spaces available. Parents are able to sign their child up to attend on the School Comms app, under the 'payments' section.

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ROBINS UNDERWATER ADVENTURE

On Thursday. **Robins Class went** on an exciting adventure inspired by 'The Magic School Bus' book series and the classic 90s cartoon! Mrs Moody channelled her inner Miss Frizzle and led the class onto "The Magic School Bus" (...the minibus!) for an underwater journey.

This adventure was used as a fun and engaging way to support our phonics learning. The children became deep-sea explorers, spotting and recording as many underwater creatures as they could. Back in the classroom, they wrote some brilliant recounts of their magical experience beneath the waves.

A huge thank you to Mr Pinnock for providing the













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amazing underwater creatures for us to discover! What a fantastic day of learning, imagination, and fun!

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SWIFTS POP UP FRUIT STALL

Our pop up fruit stall at breaktime on Thursday and Friday was a big hit with the children!

Thank you for your support – all money raised will go towards the cost of the upcoming Finding Nemo production.

KNITTED BIBLE AT STETCHWORTH CHURCH



There will be a 'knitted bible' on display in Stetchworth church from Wednesday 16th July – Sunday 27th July. The church is open 9.30am – 5.30pm every day and you might like to visit with children to view the display. There will be many scenes of stories from the bible with an explanatory sheet for each story.

On Monday 21^{st} July I will be serving tea/coffee and cake 10 am - 12 noon and on Thursday there will be tea/coffee and cake served from 2.30 pm - 4.30 pm

ELLESMERE CENTRE KETTLEFIELDS CHALLENGE

Once again, the Ellesmere Centre will be running the Kettlefields Challenge. Artwork from the school will be on display this Sunday, 6th July from 12.00pm. There will be certificates for the winning entries.

Here are just a few entries from Woodpeckers:



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CREATING DREAMS

Children in Woodpeckers Class on their transition days read extracts from Roald Dahl's 'The BFG'. They then used water colours to decorate jars and shared their dreams with each other. We loved how varied the dreams were:

'My dream is to be a vet because I can take care of animals'

'My dream is to be a dragon rider and to have a fairy that is called toothless because I think it's lovely to be in the sky!'

'My dream is that when I am older I can help people who have disabilities. I want to this because it follows my heart'

'My dream is to be a jockey because I see my mummy doing riding and I want to achieve lots of trophies'





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WRAPAROUND CARE

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

After School Activities week beginning 7th July	
MONDAY	Playdough fun
TUESDAY	Paper aeroplanes
WEDNESDAY	Craft night
THURSDAY	Outdoor play
FRIDAY	Rounders

This week, children at After School Club enjoyed making boats and then sailing them in the 'Dullingham vs Stetchworth Boat Race'!





LEAVERS LUNCH MENU

Wednesday 23rd July

Chicken or Vegetable Nuggets Skinny Fries served with Beans and Ketchup Cappuccino Cake Jelly

Fruit

Our Year 6 leavers have chosen the menu for the last day of term, however, the lunch is open to all. The lunch is free for all children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2, and to those in receipt of Pupil Premium. For all others the usual charge of £2.60 should be paid in advance via Arbor.

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1-1 Singing Lessons with Jaz

Mondays just got more Singsational!





I'm delighted to announce that in addition to our afterschool club, I'll now be offering I:I singing lessons, during the school day at Kettlefields, starting in September.

These sessions are perfect for children aged 4-11 who want to:

- Explore their voice and build real confidence
- II Sing their favourite songs, and/or create their own
- Develop vocal skills in a fun, child-centred way
- DExpress themselves freely in a calm, supportive space
- * Feel empowered to be creative, unique and proud of their progress



Each child receives their own personal Singing Journal in their first session. A creative space to decorate, doodle, jot down lyrics, spark ideas, and capture every step of their singing journey.



Prebook for September (limited spaces)

- £20 for 35 minute lesson weekly or fortnightly
- Mondays during school hours

 (Holiday bookings by arrangement)
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