



**Kidmore End CE Primary School**

**Super News Kidmore End!**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021

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## What a Bash!

Thank you to all the children, staff and parents who contributed and participated in our fabulous Back to School Bash. The KESA team and class representative organised a wonderful community allowing our families to come together at such an important time in our school.

It was also lovely to see so many grandparents!



Well done to all the children who scored a goal against Mr Griffin and Mr Heritage!



Well done to the Choir!



We are happy to announce that we raised over £1800 and we will start to put this money towards the winning option for fundraising, which was the Wild Wood Area.

A big thank you to all staff and children for getting the classrooms and corridors ready and ensuring there was some super work in the children's books.

### **Non-Uniform Day Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

Children can wear their own clothes on this day and we politely request that the children bring in a £1 to £2 donation raising money for our Fundraising Project.

### **IMPORTANT MESSAGE: Changes to the School Term Dates**

The Governing Body and ODST have agreed to a change the Inset Days for this year.

There will also be an additional Inset Date to support School Improvement.

The next Inset Dates will be:

- ❖ **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021**
- ❖ **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021**

(The school will be closed on these days for children).

The next and final Inset Day for this academic year will be Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

There will be no Inset Day on April 2022.

The term dates will be amended on the website and we apologise for any inconvenience with this short notice.

## Dates for the Diary

### 1<sup>st</sup> Half term Autumn 2021-2022

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Active Leaders with Y6 this week  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Website photography in school  
(Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Langtree School Open Morning)  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October - Non-Uniform day (KESA Fundraising)  
(Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October - Langtree School Open Morning)  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Oct - FS, Y1 & Y2 Henley Literary Festival Trip  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct, 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct 2.35-3.00pm Harvest Assembly in Church  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 11.00 Harvest Service in Church  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Active Leaders with Y5 this week & next  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Parents' Evening -short evening  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Oct, 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October - Parents' Evening -long evening  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October - NO CLUBS  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October - KESA Bag2School Collection  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October - Y3, Y4 and Y5 trips - details to follow  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October - No choir  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - No Running Club or Chess Club  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - KESA children's discos  
25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> October - Half term week

### 2nd Half term Autumn 2021-2022

Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Oct Y6 parents Deadline for secondary applications

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November - Inset Day 4

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Inset Day 5

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Back to school

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Nov - 1.30pm Open Afternoon for prospective parents  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November - Y6 to Woodlands  
Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Nov, 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 9.30am - Open Morning for Prospective Parents  
Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.30pm - Open Afternoon for prospective parents  
Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Dec KESA/St John the Baptist Church Christmas Fair  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christingle Service at St John the Baptist.  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December - FS/Y1 Nativity  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December - FS/Y1 Nativity  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Y2 Nativity  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Y2 Nativity  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Service in Church  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December - End of term 1.30pm

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 Inset day 6 (no school for pupils)

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January - First day of term



### Flu Vaccinations

We have heard from the School Health Nursing Team that the flu vaccinations will be postponed to after half term. **For children who are at risk** because they have an underlying health condition, it is very important that they get the flu vaccine for their own protection. These children have a 'double offer' as they are also eligible to receive this vaccination in general practice, and should receive an invitation for flu vaccination from their GP practice. We will communicate our new date as soon as possible after we receive it.

## Open Mornings

We ask that all parents and carers raise the profile of the school by sharing the details of our Open Morning and Afternoons with our prospective parents.

Dates for Open Mornings and Open Afternoons - Autumn 2021	
Date	Time
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2021	9.30am -11.00am
<b>October Half-Term Break</b>	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	1.30pm-3.00pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	9.30am -11.00am
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	1.30pm-3.00pm

## Cross Country Events Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge



If your child is interested in running for the school at the event. Please see the details below.  
Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October,  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November and  
Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

Race times -

Year 1 - 10.00, Y2 - 10.20,

Y3 - 10.40, Y4 - 11.00,

Y5 - 11.15 and Year 6 at 11.30.

Years 3 - 6 will have a team event if there are 3 runners for each boys' and girls' race.

Parents are also requested to help either with car parking or marshalling if they are able.

Mr Griffin will be there on the day and will be next to the large school banner.

Venue: Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge School,  
Sonning Common



Well done to the following children who received a Star of the Week Certificate in assembly this fortnight. We are very proud of all our winners!

#### Week 2

FS - Charlie and Sadie  
Year 1- Sophie and Leo  
Year 2 - Oscar and Charlie  
Year 3 - Jacob and Robbie  
Year 4 - Lois and Ben  
Year 5 - Naomi and Bobby  
Year 6 - George and Ellie

#### Week 3

FS - Max and Freya  
Year 1- Arlo and Thea  
Year 2 - Ned and Aaron  
Year 3 - Maya and Darcy  
Year 4 - Isabella and Leo  
Year 5 - Isaac and Edie  
Year 6 - Arabella and Alfie

### Year 1 'Show and Tell'

Mrs Smith has now planned to 'show and tell' on Wednesdays.

### More news from Year 1...

Congratulations to Mrs Potter who had a baby boy, Freddie, a few weeks ago. We wish her, the baby and all the family the very best wishes from everyone at Kidmore End School.

#### Around the school....

##### In Foundation Stage/Reception

In Foundation, we have been enjoying exploring even more of our resources. We have had lots of fun building towers with the big blocks and enjoying watching them tumbling down too! Our new focus book is 'Elmer' and we have been celebrating what makes each of us unique.

In maths we have been matching, sorting and comparing groups of different objects in preparation for our number work. This week we met Olly the Owl in our phonics lessons and he needs lots of help to sound out words. We have been helping Olly to blend sounds together to make words.



### In Year 1

This week we have been very busy! We have been looking at phonics and handwriting and have been planning and writing our own version of The Three Little Pigs. In maths we have been learning about the days of the week, how to write numbers in words and we have learnt about the symbols + and = to start writing our own number sentences.

In PE we have been developing our rolls and balances to put together a sequence. In our topic, following our walk around Kidmore End we have been looking at maps of the local area to identify key landmarks.



### In Year 2

We really enjoyed looking at the church and graveyard, where we saw the grave of Thomas Flower Higgins who was The Headmaster at Kidmore End a long time ago.

We also looked at other gravestones, they were very interesting. We found the war memorial and some family graves, some of them were very old.

We wrote wanted posters for the wolf in Little Red Riding Hood and had fun finding great adjectives to describe him.

This week we have done some amazing pastel drawing of places in Kidmore End and we were all very pleased with how they turned out.

### In Year 3

Year 3 have been learning about the three different periods of the Stone Age, particularly how life changed for people living in the Mesolithic period. They also had their first recorder lessons and carried out an experiment in science.

We have been reading the story of Littlenose the Hunter. (Joshua)

We made cave paintings using pastels which was really fun and messy. We have been practising our joined up writing. (Emelia)

I enjoyed science because we closed the blinds and got the torches out to experiment with shadows. (Orla)



We have been learning about nouns, adjectives and adverbs and how to use them to write interesting descriptive sentences. (Lucy)

#### **In Year 4**

What we have been learning in year 4

By Isabella

It has been really great coming back to school and I have been reminded about how much fun it is mixing with other year groups in the playground and getting together in assembly again.

Clem said "I love being able to sing in assembly like we used to."

Mrs Thomas has been teaching us some really interesting things like: rounding to the nearest 10 in maths, learning about the Greek myth Theseus and the Minotaur in English and about the human skeleton in science.

Anthony = commented, "I really enjoyed making up my own Greek myth with my talk partner."

We were very lucky to have Mrs. Vipperla in our classroom to talk to us about Hinduism and we tried some traditional food. The girls were even given a little jewel on our foreheads called a bindi.

In PSHE we have been making human machines. The aim of this is to be able to work together and everybody takes part in the activity.

Ava added "I really enjoy doing activities together."

In French with Mrs. Arkell we have been learning the names of different countries, for example :England is Angleterre.

We have been learning something we have never done before which is playing the recorder. The three main notes we have been focusing on are B, A and G. We are also enjoying going swimming on a Wednesday when we take a coach to Queen Anne's.

Our topic is Ancient Greece and we are really excited about our class trip to the museum in a couple of weeks' time!



#### **In Year 5**

"So far in year 5 we have done a whole lot of exciting things. We have been looking at different forces in science, researching what life was like for working children during the Victorians and continuing to read 'Street Child' in English which also links to what we are learning about in topic.

Our favourite lessons so far in year 5 are Maths and English. We have enjoyed learning about place value and have moved on to addition and subtraction. We also enjoy English because we have been writing diaries and learning facts about Street Child."

Tess and Isla

#### **In Year 6**

"English - Really enjoyed being able to write an autobiography about ourselves and about a fairy tale character.

Maths - finally being able to do long division and most of us learning grid method for multiplication.

History - we are really enjoying learning about the Maya because we had never heard of them and they had some interesting inventions and then they disappeared.

Geography - we have chosen a mountain range to research.

Science - enjoyed carrying out the dissolving experiments and finding out about different states of matter.

Art - learning a different style of art and being able to have a go at it ourselves. We also really liked Monet's style of painting and painting very fast."

Hanna and George

