

KEMPSHOTT JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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'Teaching with Pride, Learning with Confidence'

Message from Mrs McWilliams-Bowe

This week has been a wonderful start to the new term, and it has been a pleasure to welcome the children back after the Christmas break. It has also been so lovely to meet parents who have already stopped to chat; thank you for taking the time to say hello and share a little about your children.

One of the highlights of the week was our first whole-school assembly. We focused on the idea of fresh starts and New Year's resolutions, using the story *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds. The children thought carefully about trying their best, learning from mistakes, and understanding that even small steps can lead to great progress. I was really impressed by their enthusiasm, and thoughtful responses.

I was also incredibly touched by the Christmas cards the children wrote for me. These thoughtful messages were a clear reflection of their kindness, care, and thoughtfulness — qualities that make our school community so special.

Throughout the week, it has been wonderful to see the children settle back into their learning, reconnect with friends, and approach new challenges with curiosity and confidence. Many children have already earned Headteacher stickers for effort, kindness, or making a positive start to the term, and it has been a real pleasure to celebrate their achievements in this way.

We are looking forward to building on this positive start as the term progresses and continuing to encourage the children to take pride in their learning, demonstrate kindness, and make the most of every opportunity.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Thank you

As we begin the New Year, we want to express our heartfelt thanks for your generous Christmas gifts and thoughtful cards. Your kindness and support mean so much to the entire staff, and we are truly grateful. Wishing you a happy, healthy, and joyful New Year!

With warm regards,
Kempshott staff

We welcome :

Mrs E Hoeben - (Year 4 Teacher) and Mrs N Coupe - (HLTA).
The children and parents have made them feel very welcome.

Best Attendance for this Week

The class with the highest attendance this week is 3KC with 98.94% well done!!

Medicines in School

If your child is required to take medicine during the school day, please ensure that it is handed in, in its original packaging via the school office; we need parental permission in order to administer any medication. For health and safety reasons, children are not allowed to keep any medication in their bags.

Clubs - Spring Term

The Spring Term clubs information has been sent by email this week, please sign your child up for any clubs they wish to attend.

Please note that Minecraft club is a closed club - Spring Term register was filled with children from the waiting list.

PE Days - Spring Term

Please see below reminder of PE days for all year groups this term. Children will still need to come to school on their PE day in their PE kit.

Year Group	PE Days
Year 3	Tuesday and Friday
Year 4	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 5	Monday and Wednesday
Year 6	Thursday and Friday

Safeguarding

The safety and well-being of our pupils is the responsibility of every staff member at Kempshott

Regular training is provided to all of our staff to ensure they are able to act swiftly, effectively and compassionately should they be made aware of a safeguarding concern. This academic year, the safeguarding team is:



General Reminders

Parking Around the School.

Please can we remind parents to park carefully and considerately around the school.

Homesteads Road Closure

We have been informed that the work being carried out on Homesteads Road is expected to finish around 20th March 2026, please allow extra time for travel during this disruption.

Thank you again for your support and co-operation.

Action for Happiness Calendar, 'Happier January'

This month, we welcome you to join us for the next Action for Happiness Calendar, 'Happier January'. This calendar features 31 actions, helping us to 'get 2025 off to the best possible start and create a sense of hope for the year ahead'. The calendar is attached for your reference.

KSA News/Events



Together we can make a difference


🌟 KSA Weekly Update 🌟

Welcome Back and Happy New Year!

We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Welcome to the Spring term 2026!

We have lots of fun events planned for this term, so please keep your eyes peeled over the coming weeks for more news. We're kicking off our fundraising activities this January with a Happy Bags Recycling collection.

Perhaps you've already had a post-Christmas clear-out, or maybe this is your sign to refresh those wardrobes and make some space as we start 2026... either way, we're here to help!

 Clothes Recycling Collection


 Tuesday, 13th January 2026

A collection bag will be sent home in book bags soon. If it goes missing, don't worry - any bag will do!

Accepted items include:

- Clothes
- Paired shoes
- Handbags, hats, scarves, ties
- Bras, jewellery, socks, belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen, curtains, towels, and bedding

Please note: We cannot accept school uniforms or items that are soiled, painted, ripped, or wet.

 Drop-off time: 8:00 am – 9:00 am at school on collection day
The KSA will ensure all donations are delivered for recycling.

Let's kick off the year by turning your unwanted items into something wonderful!

We look forward to working together on more fundraising for Kempshott Infant and Junior Schools as we continue into 2026.

If you have any questions, please message us on social media or email ksaevents10@gmail.com.

Thank you for supporting the KSA! 🌟

Disclaimer: From time to time information will be sent out from various organisations about activities for children. Please note that these are provided for your information and are not endorsed by the school. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure the suitability of out of school activities for their own children.

Diary Dates

Spring Term 2026

Spring Term 5th January 2026 - 27th March 2026

Half Term 16th February 2026 - 20th February 2026

Summer Term 13th April 2026 - 22nd July 2026

Half Term 25th May 2026 - 29th May 2026

Inset Days for 2025/2026

13th April

1st June

January 2026

13th - KSA Happy Bags Collection

14th - Girls Football Match

19th - Clubs Start

February 2026

13th - Coffee & Chat with Mrs Clifton and Miss Williams

March 2026

9th - Y5 to Stubbington Residential

16th - Y6 to Liddington Residential

Please note: dates are subject to change/cancellation