



## *Message from Mrs McWilliams-Bowe*

There has been a wonderful atmosphere across the Junior School this week, with lots to celebrate and enjoy!

A huge well done to our Year 6 children, who completed their SATs this week with great determination and resilience. We are incredibly proud of the positive attitude they showed throughout the week.

Year 5 also enjoyed a fantastic trip to Paultons Park, where they had lots of fun and made some wonderful memories together.

Across the school, we have also been celebrating Mental Health Awareness Week. The children enjoyed taking part in activities focused on wellbeing, positivity and staying active, including joining in with Joe Wicks sessions during the week. It has been lovely to see the children discussing ways to look after both their physical and mental wellbeing and supporting one another through acts of kindness and encouragement.

We were also delighted to see so many children showing excellent teamwork, enthusiasm and positivity in lessons and around the school. The sunny weather has certainly helped create a happy and energetic atmosphere across the school grounds.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support, and we hope everyone has a restful weekend.

With warmest regards.

## *Congratulations to our Year 6 children*

Well done, Year 6! You've completed your SATs and shown real resilience throughout. You approached each day with focus and determination, and we are all incredibly proud of how hard you've worked.

It hasn't always been easy, and this week many children were also battling very heavy colds and feeling unwell, but you still persevered and gave it your very best. That determination and strength of character will take you far — well beyond the classroom.

You should all feel extremely proud of yourselves.

## *Parking*

We kindly request that parents park outside the school grounds during the school day and when collecting children from after-school care.

Unfortunately, another car has recently been damaged. The parking bays on site are quite small and are suitable for staff members parking individually, but they do not allow enough space for children getting in and out of vehicles safely without the risk of car doors causing accidental damage to nearby cars.

To help prevent further incidents, we ask that parents please park outside the school grounds whenever possible.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## *Wonders of the Wildlife - Photography Competition*

Inspired by the landmark 100th birthday of legendary naturalist Sir David Attenborough, we are excited to launch our brand-new photography competition: Wonders of the Wildlife

We are inviting children to step outdoors, explore their local area, and capture the beauty of nature through photography. From colourful flowers and fascinating insects, to sweeping landscapes and hidden wildlife - we want to see the wonders of the natural world through your eyes.

Your photo could feature:

Wildlife

Plants and flowers

Forests, parks, and landscapes

Beautiful outdoor scenes in your local habitat

Get creative, head outside, and see what amazing moments you can capture!

Please send all entries to:

[art@kempshott-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:art@kempshott-jun.hants.sch.uk)

Closing date: 1st June

Please remember to add your name and class in the title of the email.

The winning entries will be create a stunning new display in the hall

We can't wait to see your incredible photographs and celebrate the beauty of the outdoors together!

## Best Attendance for this Week

The class with the highest attendance this week is 3KC with 100% well done!!

### ☑ Attendance Matters

- Good attendance is key to your child's safety, wellbeing, and education.
- Children who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve and build positive friendships.
- When a child misses school, it can mean missed learning and missed opportunities to be part of our school community.
- If your child is unwell or unable to attend, please contact the school office by 9 am on the day of absence.
- Our pastoral team is here to support families if attendance becomes difficult - please reach out, we are here to help.

### Reporting an Absence

If your child is ill, please can you telephone the school office before 9.00am on 01256 326713.

There is an answer phone that you can leave a message regarding absence. The school office will contact you if you do not contact the school to report an absence., if you do not report the absence it will be marked as "unauthorised absence". If your child has sickness or diarrhoea they will need to remain at home for a clear 48 hours following the last episode.

## A Love of Reading - This week Mrs Johnson recommends:- The Worst Witch

If you like Harry Potter books you will love The Worst Witch by Jill Murphy.

Mildred Hubble is a pupil at Miss Cackles Academy but she is not very good at anything.

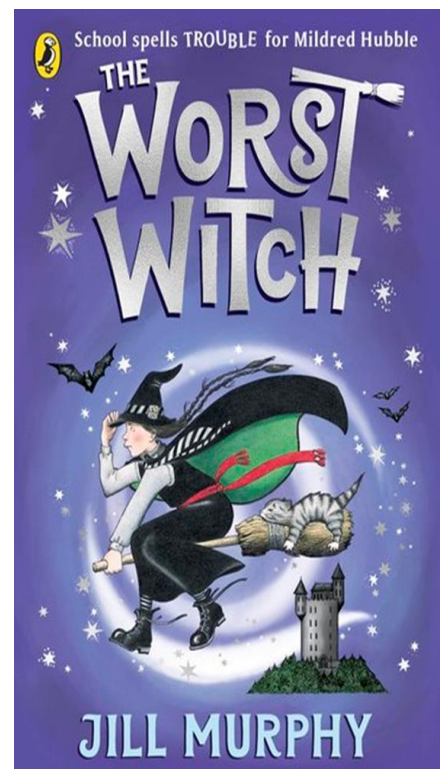
She gets her spells wrong and is always crashing her broom.

Mildred tries so hard to be a good witch but just can't get anything right and she is always getting into trouble.

Once she made an invisibility potion instead of a laughing potion and by accident turns one of her friends into a pig.

She has a cat called Tabby who is as clumsy as Mildred and they are best friends.

There are 8 books in the series, each book is set over one term at Miss Cackles Academy



## *Pupil Achievements*

I wanted to share some good news about Mannix. He competed in the South East IDTA Freestyle and Rock n Roll qualifiers competition on Sunday and has qualified, to compete in the All England competition in Blackpool, for all 5 of the dances he did. He also placed 6th in his freestyle solo dance which is a massive achievement.



*On Sunday 10th May, a group of KJS children completed a 10km walk in memory of Sophie Penny. The walk was proudly led by Roman, Sophie's little brother, who was joined by 20 of Sophie's friends. Together, they raised an incredible £1,700 for The Lily Foundation, a charity which supports families affected by mitochondrial disease.*

*This marks the third long-distance walk the group has completed for Sophie. She will always be remembered.*

**We love to celebrate our children's achievements outside of school. If you have any awards/achievements you'd like included in the newsletters, please email them to the school office via [info@kempshott-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:info@kempshott-jun.hants.sch.uk)**

### **MAY HOLIDAY School Holiday Club**

### **INFANT CHILDREN ARE WELCOME**

**We are taking bookings now, 26, 27, 28 May 2026**

**9.00 - 4.00pm £32 per child, £28.80 for siblings.**

**If you are interested in booking a place for your child,**

**please contact the school office on 01256 326713 or email [adminoffice@kempshott-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@kempshott-jun.hants.sch.uk)**



## ✦ KSA Weekly Update ✦

### INFLATE-A-FEST IS COMING TO KEMPSHOTT SCHOOLS!

As mentioned last week, we're doing things a little differently this year, so get ready to bounce into summer with the **KSA Inflate-a-fest party**! Yes, you heard that right – think super sized bouncy castles, slides, and a mix of inflatables suitable across all age groups from Year R to Year 6! There really will be something for everyone.

Keep your diaries free for **Saturday 13th June between 11am and 3pm for this family fun event, taking place in the school field at Kempshott Junior School.**

At this event, we'll also be running a BBQ, Pimms and Beer Tent, Café selling you favourite snacks and sweets, and glitter tattoos! And of course, not forgetting a selection of fun games including Tombola, Hook a Duck, Bean Bag toss and more!

Alongside this, if you know anyone who is interested in running an external stall on the day, please email [ksaevents10@gmail.com](mailto:ksaevents10@gmail.com) to enquire more about a space!

It really is a fun afternoon out for the whole family and tickets will be available to purchase soon, so watch this space! If you can help support us on the day too (whether lending a hand with set up or helping support a stall) every little helps, so please do reach out to us! It all makes a difference.

### Non-Uniform Day – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June

To help us prepare for the Inflate-a-Fest Party, we'll be holding a non-uniform day on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June in exchange for the below donations

- Years 3, 4 & 5: Pre-loved teddy donations (please ensure any donations are washed and clean ready for resale at the summer party!)
- Year 6: Bring a bottle of something (**to be dropped off at reception** for our bottle stall)

***Please note, if you'd like to send your child in with a cash donation instead towards the tombola/teddy stalls, please ensure this is handed in to reception in an envelope marked for the KSA by latest Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, so the KSA team have enough time to purchase extra gifts with the donations provided.***

Your contributions will help make the event extra special. Please bring these in w/c 8<sup>th</sup> June in the run up to the summer party. Thank you in advance!

If you have any questions, feel free to get in touch via social media or email us at [ksaevents10@gmail.com](mailto:ksaevents10@gmail.com)

**Thank you, as always, for your continued support of 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.

## Spring Term 2026

Summer Term 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 - 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

Half Term 25<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

### **Inset Days for 2025/2026**

1<sup>st</sup> June

### **Inset Days for 2026/2027**

1<sup>st</sup> September

2<sup>nd</sup> November

4<sup>th</sup> January

12<sup>th</sup> April

7<sup>th</sup> June

### **May 2026**

18<sup>th</sup> - 5MK to Blue Coat School Food Tech

19<sup>th</sup> - 5HA to Blue Coat School Food Tech

20<sup>th</sup> - 5CK to Blue Coat School Food Tech

21<sup>st</sup> - Year 4 Camping Experience

22<sup>nd</sup> - Year 4 Camping Experience / Coffee & Chat 9 am Mrs Clifton and Miss Williams

### **June 2026**

1<sup>st</sup> - INSET DAY

5<sup>th</sup> - Sports Day

10<sup>th</sup> - Non Uniform Day in exchange for items for KSA Summer Fair

12<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 Trip to Milestones Museum

24<sup>th</sup> - BPSM Concert at the Anvil

29<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 Bikeability Week

### **July 2026**

8<sup>th</sup> - Year 3 Roman Day

\*Please note: dates are subject to change/cancellation\*