

KEMPSHOTT JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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'Teaching with Pride, Learning with Confidence'

Message from Mrs McWilliams-Bowe

It's been great to welcome the children back to school following the half-term break. We've been so impressed with how they've settled back into school life and re-engaged with their learning. Their positive attitude and enthusiasm have made for a fantastic start to the final half term of the year.

We've also been really impressed with how the children have approached recent tests and assessments. A special well done to Year 4, who completed their Multiplication Tables Check with real determination and maturity. We always try to frame testing as a positive experience - an opportunity to show what you know, practise staying calm under pressure and learn from the process. The children have done just that, and they should be very proud of themselves.

We also recognise the important role that families play in supporting children to do their best. Thank you for the encouragement and support you provide at home; it makes a real difference and helps the children approach challenges with confidence.

With just half a term remaining, we are looking forward to celebrating the children's achievements and recognising the progress they have made throughout the year. Towards the end of term, you will receive your child's annual report, and around the same time, we will also share information about class teachers for next year.

Free School Meal Guidance June 2026

Hampshire Education Catering support team have advised that any families in receipt of Universal Credit who have not previously applied for Free School Meals should do so on the Hampshire Portal by the end of the Summer Term to ensure that their eligibility is confirmed in time for September.

From September 2026 the Department for Education will extend Free School Meal entitlement to all children from households receiving Universal Credit.

Mobile Phones on School Site

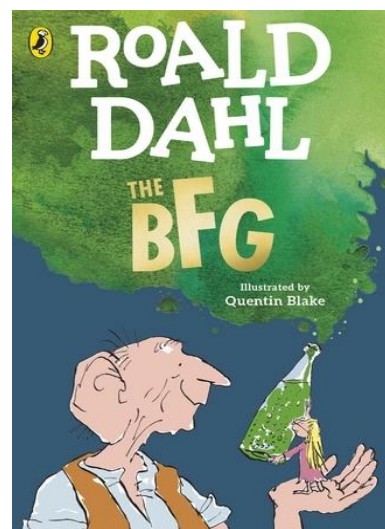
Please can parents remind their children that bring a mobile phone to school that it must be turned off before entering the school grounds and should not be turned on again until they have left the school site at the end of the day.

A Love of Reading - This week Miss Culver recommends:-

The BFG by Roald Dahl

This story is about a young orphan named Sophie who is snatched from her bed by the Big Friendly Giant. Instead of eating her, they form a close friendship and team up to stop other larger, man-eating giants from terrorizing humanity.

My daughter loved reading this and it was the first story I saw her really enjoy. She found all of the made up words (like "snozzcumber" and "whizz-popping") so funny and was excited to read this before bed every night. I would recommend this book for anyone struggling to get their child interested in reading as it is not too long and has pictures alongside the humour and whimsical language.



Best Attendance for this Week

The class with the highest attendance this week is 5CK & 4HT 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.

Pupil Achievements

We wanted to let the school know how well Roman and his team did in France last weekend. Roman was picked to represent his team, Guildford Firestreaks, and play in an U9's tournament in Caens, France. Roman and his team played extremely well against 15 other teams from Europe, who all played at a high standard. His team were narrowly beaten in the semi- final, finishing an impressive 4th out of 16 teams. Roman was a key defensive player and kept moral high with his team spirit.

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

Summer Holiday Club

We are now taking bookings for our Summer Holiday Club - Infant Children Welcome.

Commencing Monday 27 July and finishing on Friday 21 August inclusive.

9.00am - 4.00pm, please send your child in with a packed lunch

Cost is £32.00 per child but a 10% discount for siblings of £28.80 each applies.

This is a very popular club to please contact the office as soon as possible to book your child's place by either emailing adminoffice@kempshott-jun.hants.sch.uk or phoning 01256 326713

Tennis with the National Tennis Association

🎯 **Free summer tennis is coming to Basingstoke!** 🎯

😊 While the world's best battle it out at Wimbledon, we're bringing that summer tennis fever right to your doorstep with our **Festival of Tennis**.

👏 We're throwing open our gates with **over 500 completely FREE tennis spaces** for players of all ages and abilities.

🎾 Whether you've never picked up a racket or you're dusting off your serve, there's a free spot for you:

☑ Free weekly coaching sessions

☑ A free open event for all the family

☑ All ages, all abilities — no cost, no catch

💖 It's free, it's local, and it's all about getting our community on court.

🕒 Spaces will go quickly as tennis fever sweeps the nation — don't miss out!

📖 Check the full line-up and book your place: 📄 <https://basingstoketennis.org.uk/News/40fb8179-673f-4274-a2a1-dfb1c15ef155>

🎯 Book a free taster:

📄 <https://form.everestwebdeals.co/?form=2cdeb91fcdc1443e6f80a89074cffde8>

👤 Follow & share us on Facebook: 📄 <https://www.facebook.com/tennisbasingstoke/>



✦ KSA Weekly Update ✦

📦 REMINDER: Non-Uniform Day – Wednesday 10th June

To help us prepare for the Inflate-a-Fest Party, we'll be holding a non-uniform day on Wednesday 10th 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 end of the school day on Monday 8th June, 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 any donations for our Tombola into school w/c 8th June for the KSA to collect ahead of the new summer party on Saturday 13th June! Thank you in advance!

🦋 LAST CHANCE TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS TO INFLATE-A-FEST ON SATURDAY 13th JUNE.

We're on the final countdown now for our family friendly event on Saturday 13th June between 11am and 3pm taking place in the school field at Kempshott Junior School. TO GET YOUR TICKETS, PLEASE VISIT:
<https://www.inflataplanet.co.uk/events/kempshottschools-association.php> **OR SCAN THE QR CODE ON THE ABOVE POSTER. TICKETS ARE £10 IN ADVANCE AND £11 ON THE DAY!**

Super sized bouncy castles, slides, BBQ, Drinks Tent, Glitter Tattoos and games including hook-a-duck, tombola and more!

It really is a fun afternoon out for the whole family so please come along and support your children's school! 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.

If you have any questions, feel free to get in touch via social media or email us at 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 13th April 2026 - 22nd July 2026

Inset Days for 2026/2027

1st September

2nd November

4th January

12th April

7th June

June 2026

10th - Non Uniform Day in exchange for items for KSA Summer Fair

12th - Year 6 Trip to Milestones Museum / 5MK to QMC

13th - KSA Inflate-A-Fest

15th - **Y6 Fundraising Week** / 5HA & 5CK to QMC

17th - Year 2 Parent Evening Meeting

18th - SPORTS DAY - RESCHEDULED

24th - BPSM Concert at the Anvil

26th - Coffee & Chat 9 am Mrs Clifton and Miss Williams

29th - Year 6 Bikeability Week

July 2026

2nd - Around the World VR Workshop

3rd - Around the World VR Workshop

8th - Year 3 Roman Day

Please note: dates are subject to change/cancellation