



Kingsland CE Primary School



'Learn to Love – Love to Learn'

Newsletter – Wednesday 20th July 2016

So much to be thankful for . . .

Again, we come to the end of an amazing school year with so much to be thankful for. I am immensely grateful for the relentless commitment of our staff who inspire and encourage your children to flourish as the wonderfully unique and precious individuals that they are. There has been much to enjoy and celebrate: numerous sporting opportunities for everyone and particular success at local and county level in netball, girls' futsal, tag rugby and cross country. We are delighted to have heard that the school has been re-awarded 'School Games Gold Status'. There have been art exhibitions, great participation in the Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, a fabulous performance of the Nunc Dimitis by Christian Foreshaw, the Winter Music Concert and, most recently, stunning performances of 'Bugsy Malone'. Our book, 'Opening Doors Between Our Worlds' was published and shared in schools in Tanzania and across Herefordshire. We have marked the year by celebrating the Christian Festivals of Harvest, Christmas (with 'It's a Baby' and Christingle) and Easter. There have been numerous other visits and events that have enriched the curriculum and enhanced your child's experience of 'school'.

Our value for July has been 'encouragement' and there couldn't be a better time to express our appreciation to the local community and to you as parents and wider families for all that you do to make this such a special school in which we endeavour to 'learn to love and love to learn'. Thank you to our PTA for their on-going hard work. We are grateful for the encouragement that staff receive from you in terms of words of appreciation, acts of kindness for each other and each other's children and for working with us in partnership. A great example was the 'Crazy Hat Day' last Friday; we just wanted you all to be with us in assembly to revel in the colour, imagination and time that went into creating such amazing hats. I hope the photographs on the online newsletter make you smile!

We are also extremely thankful to our school governors whose service to the school is given freely; together we are discerning the best ways for Kingsland CE Primary School to respond to changes in the educational landscape. Exciting and challenging times! Our recent designation as a Teaching School, leading an alliance of 25 other schools, bears witness to the high reputation that our school has in Herefordshire, Shropshire and nationally.

Once again we are delighted by the high standards that have been achieved across the school, verified by internal whole-school data and national assessments for Early Years (Reception), Year 1 phonics, KS1 (Year 2) and KS2 (Year 6). Please see the data that follows. As you will be aware, the bar has been raised considerably in terms of national expectations for Year 2 and Year 6 and our pupils have fared brilliantly. We are somewhat disappointed with the Year 6 test reading outcomes having had 100% at nationally expected levels for the last two years and have requested a review of the marking for some papers. We shall report the data for this to you in September once the outcome of the review process is known.

We are looking forward to what promises to be a fantastic 2016-2017 academic year. There will be an important meeting for **ALL KS2 parents** to clearly explain national expectations for maths, reading and

writing on: **Wednesday 28th September 2016** at 6pm with information about how you can best support your child. PLEASE make this meeting a priority.

On behalf of every member of staff, I hope that you and your family enjoy a summer that is blessed with much laughter, lazy days, special people and time to do those things that bring you joy. Be glad.

Mrs Angela Daniel, Headteacher

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End of Year Attainment data summary 2015-2016

EYFS

% of pupils attaining a good level of development

2016 cohort of 25

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Kingsland	60	91	60	84
National	51	60	66	

Year 1 Phonics

% of pupils attaining the required standard (pass mark 32/40)

2016 cohort of 20

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Kingsland	76	85	87	95
National	69	74	74	

National Curriculum Assessments at KS1

% of pupils Working Towards the National Standard (WTS)

% of pupils At the Expected Standard (EXS)

% of pupils working at a Greater Depth of Study (GDS)

	WTS	EXS +	GDS
Reading	12	88	28
Writing	20	80	16

Mathematics	8	92	32
All subjects	20	80	12

Science: HNM = Has Not Met the National Standard

EXS = Expected Standard

	HNM	EXS
Science	12	88

National Curriculum Assessments (tests) at KS2

For each child raw scores were converted into SCALED SCORES 80-120

100+ = has achieved the national standard (AS)

% pupils AS (has achieved the national standard)

% pupils NS (has not achieved the national standard)

There is no recognition of pupils achieving at a greater depth of study

2016 cohort of 19

	NS	AS	Average Scaled Score
GPS (Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling)			
Kingsland	5	95	107
National	28	72	104
Mathematics			
Kingsland	16	84	104
National	30	70	103

National Curriculum Assessments (teacher assessments) at KS2

Writing

% pupils Working Towards the National Standard (WTS)

% of pupils At the Expected Standard (EXS)

% of pupils working at a Greater Depth of Study (GDS)

	WTS	EXS +	GDS
Writing			
Kingsland	21	79	21
National	26	74	

% pupils attaining the expected standards in reading, GPS, writing *and* mathematics

Kingsland: 53% National: 53%

KS2 Teacher Assessments: Reading, Mathematics and Science

% of pupils working at the expected standard (EXS)

% of pupils who have not met the expected standard (HNM)

There is no recognition of pupils working at a greater depth of study

	HNM	EXS
Reading	11	89
Mathematics	0	100
Science	21	79

Crazy Hat Day 15th July 2016



We were so overwhelmed by the fantastic hats that were created for Crazy Hat Day. The creative ideas and colours were amazing. Thank you to parents, grandparents and the children for all the effort and hard work that went into designing and creating their glorious hats. Each class was awarded 1st and runner up: 4 prizes were given overall for most original design; the most recycled materials used; the funniest hat and most colourful hat. The teachers and eco team were given the difficult task of judging the hats. *Mrs Canning*

First Class Dining on the Titanic

Last Wednesday, Class 3 experienced what it would be like to dine First Class on the Titanic. They dressed the part with the boys wearing ties, waist coats (even a pocket watch was spotted) and hair combed and styled. The girls wore their best, with sequence and jewels to match. From Fruit Punch and Canapes, to Dessert and Traditional Cabin Biscuits, we feasted in style. Dinner on the Titanic would not be complete without music and a waltz with a willing partner. Manners were impeccable and many thanks go to Mrs Canning and Mrs Young who made the event possible.



Class 3 at Pinsley Brook

The sun was out, the temperature high, and we were off to the river to have some fun. No encouragement was needed for all to paddle and explore and it wasn't long before all hope of coming out dry was lost, as buckets of water were emptied over squealing victims.

A challenge was set to make a raft using only string, elastic bands, a few lolly sticks and any other natural materials to be found. After a leisurely lunch along the river bank the rafts were tested and found to be unsinkable.

As the temperature rose, it was back to the water: building dams, adding to rafts and becoming drenched in the inevitable water fight. Much needed ice lollies were given before the hot walk back to school in squelchy boots and damp clothes.

Thank you Class 3 for an amazing day at the river!



Mini Beast Day

On Thursday 7th July Classes 1, 2 and 3 had a visit from Paul and Lesley, (Natural World Experience), who brought an amazing variety of mini-beasts into our school. The children were captivated by these creatures and bravely held and touched as Paul described each mini beast, its behaviour and habitat. Many preconceived fears were overcome and, with encouragement, even the tarantula walked from hand to hand!



Sports Update

Cricket: A super day was had by all at Luctonians for the cluster cricket and rounders tournament. It was also the event where Amelia and Emily found their love of cricket. The rounders team had a super day and played incredibly well. The 2 cricket teams, one of the teams consisted of children playing for the very first time, both had great days. The first team came second and were superbly guided by the captain Jamie. A big thank you must go to Miss Wills and Mr Hodnett for their help throughout the day

Rounders: Year 6's versus Staff Rounders

The year 6's were always going to find it tough playing against the staff with their knowledge, wisdom, experience and adults in their physical prime, (plus the competitiveness of Mrs Wilson and the lightening pace bowling of Mrs Davies). The staff team just pipped the year 6's and then had the pleasure of splurging them. The staff keep their unbeaten record.

Headteacher's Awards have been presented to: Theo for a wonderful Anglo-Saxon project and story.

Diary Dates

21/7 - 6/9 **SUMMER HOLIDAYS**

7/9 Autumn term starts

12/9 Parents to meet new class teachers at 2.30pm

13/9 Roald Dahl Day

16/9 Welcome party for parents of reception children, in Kingsland Church at 2.30pm

28/9 6.00pm KS2 parent's meeting to explain National expectations



PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME.

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