



NEWS & VIEWS

Kindness, Honesty, Confidence, Perseverance, Safety

Headteacher: Miss V Townsend



Headteacher's Comment:

As we come to the end of the first half of our Summer Term, it's been another busy and exciting week at KHCPs!

We were proud to see both our Reception and Year 5 classes take to the stage for their assemblies. It was a wonderful showcase of their growing confidence and all the learning that's been happening in class. Year 4 had a fantastic trip to Colchester Zoo this week. They represented the school beautifully with excellent behaviour and enthusiasm, showing exactly what it means to be a KHCPs pupil.

This week we also say a heartfelt thank you and goodbye to Mrs Tucker. Her dedication to our school community has been greatly appreciated, and she will be very much missed by staff and pupils alike.

On Thursday we held our very first KHCPs Family Feast with our Reception children and their grown-ups. It was a lovely event that brought families together to share lunch and celebrate the simple joy of eating and chatting together. This is the first of many and we look forward to welcoming all of the other families in due course.

On a practical note, we kindly ask all families to check their ParentPay accounts and ensure that any outstanding balances for school meals are settled. We appreciate your attention to this matter.

We also continue to value collaboration across our Trust. This week, Mrs Hobbs from St Martin's School visited our KS2 children to lead a session on careers. These opportunities are so important in helping children explore the world of work and begin to think about their aspirations. By introducing them to a range of possibilities early on, we can nurture their ambitions and guide them towards a bright future.

We ended the week on a high with a very special visit from KIDZ BOP and the NSPCC as part of Childhood Day. The energy and positivity of the performers created an unforgettable experience. Our children were excited to take part in the Childhood Day Mile, helping to raise awareness and support for the NSPCC's vital work—all while celebrating movement, music, and togetherness.

As we enter the half term break, I want to take a moment to thank our amazing staff. Each one brings their unique approach to the classroom, but all are united in their commitment to providing the best education for our children while ensuring they feel happy, safe, and supported in their learning.

A big thank you also goes to our wonderful children and families—your support, engagement, and positivity help make KHCPs the vibrant school community that it is.

Please remember, if you ever have any concerns about a child's wellbeing, the Keeping Children Safe in Education guidance from the DfE recommends contacting the Essex Children and Family Hub who are available to help. *The Department for Education has published a child-friendly version of Working Together to Safeguard Children, including a downloadable booklet and animation to help young people understand safeguarding processes.*

The guide, titled [A Guide to Safeguarding for Children and Young People](#), explains how professionals like social workers, teachers, doctors, and police collaborate to keep children safe. It encourages children to speak up and reassures them that help is available. To access the video please follow the [link](#).

Wishing you all a restful, happy, and safe half term break. We look forward to seeing you all return on Monday 2 June.



Diary Dates

Monday 26 – Friday 30 May – Half term

Tuesday 3 June – Year 2 trip to Mountfitchet Castle

Thursday 5 June – Year 1 Family Feast

Monday 9 – Wednesday 11 June – Year 2 SATs

Thursday 12 June – Year 2 Family Feast

Thursday 19 June – Year 3 Family Feast

Thursday 19 June – EYFS & Year 1 trip to Barleylands

**Please note that some dates unavoidably may change.
Apologies if this does happen.**



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Weekly Attendance

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Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	97.3%	94.7%	92.1%	93%	95.7%	97.5%	92.5%	94.7%

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Year 5	Reception	Year 4



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 3 September

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	95.1%	94.5%	93.7%	91.5%	91.9%	95.3%	93.3%	93.6%

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Year 5	Reception	Year 1



Stars of the week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Noah	Alfie	Abdul	Wanipa	Joseph	Luca	Violet



Miss Townsend's Headteachers Award

We would like to recognise the Santino in Reception for always demonstrating our values at KHCPs. Well done!



Reminders

If your child is absent, please ensure you leave a reason as to why they are absent. If you are unsure if your child should be at school, please check the guidance from the [NHS](#).

Please make sure the children are wearing the correct uniform, the website outlines what the children should be wearing. Please remember we do not allow jewellery in school. Thank you



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Reading at Home

Class	This table shows the number of children and percentages of children that have read this week. Number of times children have read this week						Percentage reading 4 times or more
	0	1	2	3	4	5 or more	
Reception	1 (7%)	2 (14%)	1 (7%)	2 (14%)	3 (22%)	5 (36%)	8 (56%)
Year 1	1(4%)	1(4%)	6(27%)	1(4%)	1(4%)	13(5%)	24(61%)
Year 2	4 (17%)	1 (4%)	1 (4%)	3 (13%)	6 (26%)	8 (35%)	14 (61%)
Year 3	6 (24%)	4 (16%)	2 (8%)	5 (20%)	1 (4%)	6 (24%)	7 (28%)
Year 4			1 (4.8%)	3 (14.3%)	2 (9.5%)	15 (71.4%)	17 (80.9%)
Year 5	7 (24%)	5 (17%)	2 (8%)	3 (10%)	5 (17%)	7 (24%)	12 (41%)
Year 6	2 (12%)				4 (24%)	11 (64%)	15 (88%)



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