



NEWS & VIEWS

Kindness, Honesty, Confidence, Perseverance, Safety

Headteacher: Miss V Townsend



Headteacher's Comment:

The weeks are certainly flying by, and it has been lovely to see how quickly the children have settled back into their routines. We have enjoyed another full and busy week in school, with lots of opportunities for learning, enrichment and making memories together.

This week we celebrated with an Attendance BBQ party. Well done to all of the children who achieved 100% attendance or showed noticeable improvement, it was a pleasure to spend some quality time together celebrating this. I am so proud of how many children were able to take part. If your child has not yet collected their attendance badge, please do remind them to do so.

Reception and Year 1 had a wonderful trip to Call of the Wild earlier this week, where they spent time exploring nature and learning about the world around them. They had the opportunity to look closely at wildlife and their surroundings, taking part in hands-on activities that really brought their learning to life. The staff there commented on how well behaved the children were such fantastic young ambassadors for our school. It is always so lovely to hear that our children demonstrate our values outside of the school gates.

Later in the week, Year 4 took part in a brilliant workshop where they stepped back in time to learn about life as a Viking and an Anglo-Saxon. The day was fully interactive, engaging and great fun, with the children immersing themselves in history through practical activities. I know the children thoroughly enjoyed it, and I believe Mrs Whannell did too!

We ended the week with our Year 1 Family Feast, and it was so lovely to welcome so many adults into school to share this special experience with the children. It was a real pleasure to see families joining us, taking part in the lunchtime routine and enjoying a meal together. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend, we hope you enjoyed the lunch and the opportunity to be part of the school day in this way. We very much look forward to welcoming the rest of our classes for this fantastic community event over the coming weeks.

Thank you to our families for your continued support with attendance. We know that getting children into school each day is not always straightforward, but through working in partnership we can continue to support our children. It makes a real difference to the children's learning, confidence and sense of belonging when we all work together.

As always, I would like to take a moment to remind our school community about parking considerably around the school. We are very fortunate to have use of the village hall car park, which provides additional space and helps to ease congestion. Not all schools are able to offer this, and we are incredibly lucky to have it available to us. Please do make use of this where possible, park carefully, and be mindful of our neighbours. Most importantly, this helps us to keep all of our children and families safe at the start and end of the school day.

This week, children also came home with their sunflower plants as part of our annual Trust Sunflower Competition. We are very excited to see how these grow over the coming weeks! Please do take care of them, water them regularly and give them plenty of TLC so we can grow the tallest and strongest sunflowers across the Trust. A huge thank you to Penny, Ivy, Harriet and Olivia who helped me get these out to everyone so quickly. It was a real team effort to ensure they made it home promptly, now it is over to you to look after them!

As a reminder children are able to wear their summer uniform, but please ensure school shoes are worn, and no jewellery. Please also ensure the children bring in sunhats and water bottles with the warmer weather approaching (hopefully!).

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It is very much appreciated. Wishing you a happy and safe weekend.



Diary Dates

Tuesday 28 April – Year 3 class assembly

Thursday 30 April – Year 2 Family Feast

Friday 1 May – Don Rae dance workshop

Friday 1 May – Year 5 start Forest School

Monday 4 May – Bank holiday

Wednesday 6 May – Class photographs

Thursday 7 May – Year 3 Family Feast

Monday 11 May – Years 6 SATS week & breakfast

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	98.1%	98.1%	98.6%	92.9%	88.2%	96.6%	94.7%	94.7%

1 st	2 nd	2 nd
Year 2	Reception	Year 1



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 1 September

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	98.2%	96.6%	98%	94.9%	89%	93%	95.4%	94.6%

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Reception	Year 2	Year 1



Stars of the week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Whole Class	Blake	Eleanor	Lochlann	Fife	Grayson	Taye



Miss Townsend's Headteachers Award

Abdul in Year 3 has been selected for the Headteacher's Award for showing all our KHCPs values, in particular great respect for everyone in our school community.



Important reminders

Please make sure the children are wearing the correct uniform, the website outlines what the children should be wearing: [Uniform - Kelvedon Hatch Community Primary School](#). Children should all be wearing black shoes, **NO TRAINERS OR BOOTS**. Please remember we do not allow jewellery in school except a watch from Year 3 onwards. Long hair (below shoulder-length) must be tied back at all times; mid-length hair should be held back from the face so as not to obscure children's vision while working at desks. Thank you



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Reading at Home

Class	Number of times children have read this week						Percentage reading 4 times or more
	0	1	2	3	4	5 or more	
Reception	2 (20%)		4 (40%)	1 (10%)	2 (20%)	1 (10%)	3 (30%)
Year 1	1 (6%)	1 (6%)	1 (6%)	3 (19%)	1 (6%)	8 (50%)	9 (56%)
Year 2		1 (5%)			3 (15%)	17 (80%)	20 (95%)
Year 3	4 (18%)				7 (32%)	11 (50%)	18 (82%)
Year 4		1 (4%)	3 (11%)	4 (16%)	6 (23%)	12 (46%)	18 (69%)
Year 5	3 (16%)				3 (16%)	13 (68%)	16 (84%)
Year 6	1 (3%)				17 (57%)	12 (40%)	29 (97%)

Well done to Year 2 and 6, where over 90% of their pupils read four times or more this week.



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Where does your child sit on the attendance mountain?

