



Kingsgate Primary School Newsletter

Friday 5th May 2017

Dear parents and carers,

Over the past few weeks we have seen a huge improvement in punctuality and I would like to say thank you to all the families who make a big effort to get their children to school for 8.45 Early Work every day. It really does make a difference to the children at the start of the day to be already settled in class when their lesson starts, rather than rushing in at the last moment or, even worse, missing the introduction to the lesson. So thank you to all of you who leave home a little bit earlier to make sure that your child is sitting in their classroom at 8.45, ready for their lessons.

Best wishes
Liz Hayward
Headteacher

School Uniform

We expect children to come to school in correct school uniform.
If your child comes to school in coloured trainers they will spend some of their playtime off the playground.

Please note that from September trainers will be allowed during PE lessons only.

When you next buy your child new school shoes, you should buy black school shoes, not black trainers.

Thank you for your cooperation with this.



Parking outside school

It is very congested outside the school gates at the start and end of the school day, and we do ask parents and carers to think carefully about whether you can walk to school if possible or take public transport, rather than driving, to keep the roads safe.

If you do have to drive to school please do not leave your child outside the school and drive away.

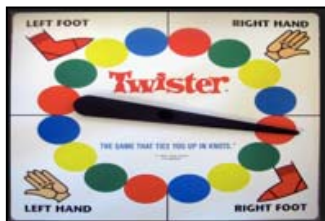
Keeping children safe online

For all parents and carers on Thursday 11th May from 9am -10am in the family room.
The hour-long free workshop is a great opportunity to gain the skills and knowledge to understand the internet and technology as children do.

Hosted by O2 and NSPCC.

Games workshop

Wednesday 17th May from 9am-10am



Do you want your child to have lots of fun learning?
Do you want them to develop their literacy and numeracy skills?
Do you want them to strengthen their social skills while they laugh and play?
And would you like to help them while you have lots of fun too?

Then the GAMES workshop is for you. Everyone welcome.

Games and activities to enjoy with your child at home

Feedback from Nursery & KS1 parents and carers

25 mothers and fathers and carers attended the session. Thank you to Gill, one of our Nursery teachers, for running the sessions. Here is their feedback.

- The information session was excellent, I have learnt a lot. Thank you.
- It was a good reminder. I was here last time Gill ran the session. I have enjoyed it.
- Gill's display reminded me of my childhood; we had similar game boards when I was a child. I am going to try some with my children.
- I have learnt how to help my child's learning through games and activities and have fun at the same time.
- I can do things to get my child's mind off play station.
- I will definitely invest some money on educational games.
- This session gave me the confidence to sit with my children and do things together.
- I would like to try some of the games here before I buy them. My English is not good and I can't read the instructions. It is good if someone shows us how the game works.
- I would like to thank the school for organising these sessions.

Please visit our website at www.kingsgateprimaryschool.org.uk to see the wonderful things our school community is doing!

Lost property

We have a lot of lost property in the family room. If you have lost something please check with Homa.

If your child brings home another child's jumper or PE kit by mistake, please return it to school.

Writing your child's name in their jumpers and PE kit makes it easier for you to find it.

Great learning in geography and history lessons

Next week Google Expeditions are visiting all our classes to run exciting new workshops with the children. Using 3D goggles or iPads, children will explore far away places or go back in time to bring their history or geography lessons alive.

School closing dates in July 2017

Wed 12 July 3.30 – EYFS/KS1

Fri 21 July 1.30 – KS2

Letters to the Mayor of London

Year 5 children discussed their views on the problem of pollution in London and then wrote letters to Sadiq Khan, expressing their views and asking him to take action to cut pollution.

Please read an example of their writing on display in the school office. The children's writing is excellent and should persuade the politicians to take their concerns seriously.

