



WEST KINGSDOWN NEWS

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Message from Mr Hulme

Welcome back to Term 2, it is fantastic to see children and families ready and raring to go for a new term. There is much to be excited about this term with lots of things happening across school, much of which you can read about in this newsletter!



We recognise that the second national lockdown is a time of uncertainty and difficulty for many families. We will do whatever we can to support you during this

time, please do speak to me or your child's class teacher if there is anything we can do.

The Community Cupboard continues to be open and helping those families that are in need. There is a lot of information on Facebook or in school, if this is something that you need to access. In addition to this, Rev. Sarah is able to speak to anyone that may need advice or support.

I am looking forward to meeting more parents/carers over the next term. My door is very much always open so please do contact me if there is something you would like to talk about or discuss.

Uniform

Despite the cold weather and mud, children should be wearing full school uniform every day in school. Your children should be wearing grey trousers or skirt, white polo-shirt or shirt and burgundy jumper or cardigan. Shoes should be plain black – trainers or boots should not be worn. Any hair accessories should



be either burgundy or black and bows should not be worn. As a school community, we take pride in our uniform and being a part of the West Kingsdown Community. Please help us to achieve this by ensuring your child has the correct uniform.

New School Website

You may have spotted that we have a new school website that has gone live this week. This offers a snapshot into school life and has a lot of information for parents/carers. There are also quick links to class blogs that you are able to access. Please do let us know what you think via Facebook or e-mail!



Mountain Biking and Forest School

Forest School returns this term with Mrs. Keech, our Forest School Teacher from St. Paul's. Year 5 and 6 will continue to have Forest School and Year 3/4 will be taking part instead of Year 1 this term. The children have a fantastic time outside in all weathers, climbing trees; tying knots; lighting fires and getting wet and muddy! We are hoping that by the end of the year, all children will have accessed Forest School! This term Year 5 will start mountain biking with Ollie – please see the blog for further details!

Artist-in-Residence

We are excited to plan our new art studio in school along with an artist-in-residence. This will be an artist that will come into school each week and work with small groups in each year group. Each class will work on a different project across the term and produce art work that will be displayed across the school! This is a really exciting project that will give all children the chance to work with a professional artist with a range of different materials! We can't wait to show you the first sessions! We are looking for any scraps of material, plastic bottles or plastic bags you may have.



Spiritual Garden

We are hoping to develop our Spiritual Garden into an allotment where we can grow fruit and vegetables and reflect on school and our own spirituality. This will be a place where children and staff can quietly reflect on their faith and 'let their light shine'. We are looking for any donations of compost, plants or tools that you may have. Again, please drop them into the School Office.



Celebration Worship

Class	Shining Light	Lunchtime Light
Sapphire	Isabella W	Charlie B
Topaz	Ava H	Roamie B
Crystal	Oliver D	Ella H
Diamond	Katie C	Thomas A
Emerald	Tommy N	Ronnie S
Amethyst	Obie F	Isabella C

Twitter

We have relaunched the school twitter account - @west_kingsdown and will be posting daily photos on there of those children whom we have permission for. This will give you an insight into school life and what your children are up to in the day!



'Let your light shine' Matthew (5)