

KNOCKHALL PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

Dear Families

It has been another busy week at Knockhall Primary School. We welcomed our Year 6 families in on Tuesday to meet the team and find out about what and how we teach in Year 6. Thank you to those of you who came along. We also ran a Showbie workshop for our EYFS families today which was well attended. Thank you to those of you who made it. We will let you know when the slides have been added to the website for both workshops. We have our next Parent workshop for Year 1 families on Tuesday. We look forward to seeing you all there.

I had the pleasure of joining our Year 5 cohort for their swimming lesson on Wednesday at Gravesham Community Leasure Centre. The children were exceptionally well behaved and were a credit to you and Knockhall. The children were divided into 4 groups all with their own swimming teacher which ensured that the children were learning to their ability. It was lovely to see their engagement and excitement to participate. The children all got dressed very quickly which meant that we were back at school in plenty of time for them to continue their learning. Well done Year 5!

I sent a copy of our Homework Document last week to all families. Bookmarks with your child's login details will be sent to you from today which will allow your child to access everything that we offer. The first Magma Maths work will be put online for your child to access on Friday 27th September and your child has 2 weeks to complete this. Our Topic work will be set the following Friday. Please speak to your class teacher if you would like to discuss anything further regarding homework. As always, please continue to send your child's reading book and Reading Records in every day and support them to read regularly. Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend. Miss Yiannadji and the Knockhall Team

Best Wishes

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Who Has Received a Golden Ticket This Week!



Nursery - Stacie-Mae Reception -Oluwafisayo,Anmol Year 1 -Gina,Matthias Year 2 -Jessie,Callum Year 3 -Gloria,Lola,Sai Year 4 -Harry,Zara Year 5-Tommy C,Charlie,Zarah Year 6 -Grace,Cameron,Sharon <u>Sports Classes of the week</u> KS1 - Owls KS2 - Eagles

ATTENDANCE

Owlets-83.5% Owls-90.2% Flamingos -92.8% Falcons -95.6% Swans-91.4% Hummingbirds -97.7% Kingfishers-95.3% **Robins - 97.1%** Kestrels-97.8% Woodpeckers -94.6% pelicans- 96.8% Penguins-98.4% Puffins - 93.8% Parrots -90.6% Peacocks -87.9% Eagles -96.9%

Minimum School Target - 96% Whole School attendance -94.6%

Knockhall Values Champions!!!

Ducklings - Riyansh **Owlets-Freddie** Cygnets -Yaa Swans - Mokolade **Owls - Maisie** Flamingos –Great **Kingfishers-Flourish** Falcons - Maria Hummingbirds -Leo **Robins** - Michael Woodpeckers - Mariyan Kestrels -Semmy **Penguins-Alexis Pelicans-William** Puffins -Tomor Peacocks -Lottie Parrots-Princess **Eagles-Sophie**





Safeguarding

SEND Parents Drop in dates:

03/10/2024 17/10/2024 14/11/2024 28/11/2024 12/12/2024

Attendance is important and falls under the schools safeguarding police and the governments Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE).

It is important that your children are in school every day (even if they arrive late). Childhood coughs and colds and common illnesses are not a reason to be off school. The NHS have created a great parent guide that helps you check if your child can be in school – NHS 'Is my Child too ill for school?' Is my child too ill for school? – NHS (www.nhs.uk)

Please make sure you contact the school to discuss why your child is off school and keep communicating with us.

If you do not communicate then we will be carrying out a home visit that may result in a police welfare check.

Your children are our main priority and keeping them safe always is paramount.

If you have any questions about this, please speak to Mrs Conroy our Attendance Officer or Mrs Wady our DHT Inclusions & Safeguarding lead

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EYFS

Across EYFS it has been lovely to see children displaying our 'Respect' value by making new friends. There has been some wonderful examples of play, taking turns, and working collaboratively together. In Reception, we have used the story 'Ruby's Worry' by Tom Percival to discuss different emotions and feelings. The children know what to do and who to talk to if they are feeling worried. They have created some beautiful artwork to show their understanding of emotions. In Nursery, we have shown the school value of '**Pride'**. We have demonstrated this through practicing writing our names. The children have been so happy to share their work, asking the teachers to take pictures to show their families. Each day, the children have been showing an eagerness and excitement to learn and improve, and we look forward to seeing them go from success to success as we go through the year.











KS1

Year 1 have been showing lots respect this week in their reading lessons. They have been reading for pleasure in the book corner, completing activities on Showbie and reading aloud to their teachers. We are so incredibly impressed with their reading and can't wait to see it progress over the year. Well done Year 1 on such a great start!

This week, Year 2 have been generating questions to ask The Big Bad Wolf that blew down Knockhall's local McDonalds. We wanted to know the reason he did that and where he came from. We did hot seating as the wolf to explain his reasoning.



LKS2

Pride in our work Years 3&4 have been taking part in coding week. We have discussed what coding is and we have learnt all about Sprites and how to use blocks to code and inform the Sprite what to do. Our favourite coding game was Dance Party, where we could choose a song and coded our character to perform actions and dance moves. Others have been learning to code using Minecraft coding and have enjoyed every minute. Some of us reached level 13!

UKS2

Year 6 have been immersing themselves in the world of The Highwayman, crafting compelling witness accounts from the perspective of Tim the Ostler (using relative clauses to add depth and detail). Through hot seating, they've taken on the roles of the poem's characters—exploring the personalities and appearances of the daring Highwayman, as well as other key figures in this timeless tale. In reading, the children have been honing their skills in skimming and scanning texts—

retrieving key information quickly and efficiently—while sharpening their comprehension with every page they turn.

> Relative clauses "In landlord's black-eyed daughter. Bess. who leved the highwayman wulld for him by the casement. "The highwayman came riding to the inn where Bess waited." "He whistled a lune that echored in the might."

Hot seats ips that as a character you would The Highwayman! ity do you If you hadn't died and feet you the Highwegman did, would need to see you go with Tim? on Bess?





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Information for Families







Dates For Your Diary



<u>**Tuesday 24th September</u>**- Supporting Year 1 children Parent workshop</u>

Tuesday 1st October - Supporting your child with their phonics parent workshop

<u>**Tuesday 8th October</u>-** What is magma maths parent workshop</u>

Tuesday 15th October - What is reading plus parent workshop

<u>Monday 14th October</u> - Whole School individual Photos (all children to come in uniform, if your child has PE please send this in a separate bag)

Friday 25th October- Last Day of term

If you would like to raise anything with us, please contact us via the school office <u>KHPoffice@watschools.org.uk</u>

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