



Kingswood Parks Primary School takes seriously its responsibility to safeguard all children and adults and have rigorous procedures in place to do so.

Message from Mrs Loten: It has been great to see all the children back after the school holidays. The children came in some fantastic costumes for our Book Launch Day. They all enjoyed the class activities relating to the new book that they are reading. Children continue to be invited a class at a time to 'Talking Lunch', and it is a pleasure to share this time with them. We continue to have visitors into our assemblies linked to our strap line 'Grow, Aspire, Achieve'. Recently we had a visitor from Quickline to talk to the children about telecommunications and possible careers.

Dates for your Diary

6th February— Parents' Workshop EYFS—Art
 7th February— Parents' Workshop Y1, 2 & 3—Art
 8th February— Parents' Workshop Y4, 5 & 6 —Art
 8th February— Valentines Disco
 12th February— 16th February - Half Term

Year 6: The children have come back to school with a renewed energy! We have been blown away by their resilience and determination, especially when tackling difficult problems in our Maths lessons. We have been focusing on algebra and creating formulas. In Writing the children have been writing their own tale of fear stories where they have written from either Kensuke or Michael's point of view. In our PE sessions, we have been incredibly impressed with the children's rhythm and creativity when they have been exploring the Samba and Charleston dances. We are very excited to see what their final pieces look like!

Foundation Stage:

What a busy few weeks we have had in our Foundation Stage! We have been fully immersed in the world of 'The Three Little Pigs' and have loved learning our story map in both FS1 and FS2. In FS1 the children have been super designers and for Book Launch Day each brought in their own representation of a building on Kingswood. We loved welcoming a variety of pigs, wolves and builders for our Book Launch Day in FS2; thank you to all of our wonderful parents and careers for your fantastic efforts!

In FS1, the children have got a brand new role play area based around construction. They have been working hard as builders to build the strongest house using lots of different materials. In FS2 we have been developing our colour mixing skills to colour mix and paint a picture of a pig.

Year 5:

In Year 5, we have had a busy start to the term! The children came back from Christmas refreshed and ready to learn and they have hit the ground running. In our Writing lessons, we have been exploring the book 'RumbleStar', which follows main character Casper Tock on an adventure through a magical land. From this, we have been writing portal stories, exploring how characters can move from one world to another through a portal. In Maths, we have finished our fractions topic and have now moved onto our decimals and percentages topic. In this, we have explored what tenths and hundredths are and we have looked at finding equivalent fractions and decimals. In History, we have investigated the Anglo-Saxon rule on England and how they came to power then eventually lost power. In Science, we have explored Space and started to understand why we have day and night and why the moon looks different in the sky each night. This is leading to our Planetarium visit, which we are very excited for. In PSHE, we have talked about our dreams and goals for the future and have begun to think about how we might achieve these and the steps needed to achieve these goals. We look forward to the rest of the half term and all the exciting things planned!

Year 3:

We have had a great start to the term with a fantastic Book Launch Day, dressed as the main character from our book. Everyone in the year group looked amazing. We enjoyed creating a map of the island using a tea-stained effect. In Writing we have been writing a finding tale, we have focused on action using powerful verbs. In our Math lesson, we have been continuing multiplication and division, but now moving onto multiplying two-digit numbers by one-digit numbers. In History, we have looked at two important people who had an impact on Hull, Lillian Bilocca and Phillip Larkin, and decided who we felt had the greatest impact. We have started our dance unit in PE and have been blown away by the efforts of the children and how well they have taken to salsa.

Year 4:

We had an amazing start to the term dressed as dragons! We enjoyed creating mountain dioramas and reading more of our new class text 'Dragon Mountain'. In Writing, we have been writing a journey tale based on this book. We have focused on writing action filled stories! In History, we have been learning about William Wilberforce and how his actions impacted civil rights. The children have been involved in discussions about Wilberforce's life and the actions he took during the 1800s. Also, we have recently moved onto Art. This Term, we are looking closely at work by John Horace Hooper and his fantastic landscape paintings. We look forward to show you what we have learned at our art parent workshop soon!

Year 1:

We have had a fantastic start to this half term. Everyone looked amazing dressed up on our Book Launch Day. In our History lessons, we have enjoyed learning about Neil Armstrong and how space travel has changed over time. We had fun pretending to be Neil Armstrong and answering questions about his mission to the moon.

In Writing, we have been learning all about 'RocketMole' and his trip to the moon. We have started writing our own stories about a different animal going to the moon.

In Maths, we have moved on to looking at numbers to 20. We have been finding 1 more and 1 less than a given number within 20. We have also been learning about how many tens and ones there are in different numbers.

We have started our dance unit in PE. We are really enjoying thinking of different ways that we can move for a count of 8. We have also been thinking about how we can move to different pieces of music.

Congratulations
to the **GREEN** House for
winning the Cup this
month!



Year 2:

We have had a great start to spring term. We dressed up for summer on our Book Launch Day and followed Flat Stanley on his journey to California. We are really loving learning about Stanley's life and the challenges he has faced. During our Writing unit, we have started to write a warning story. In History, we have learnt about the impact Rosa Parks and Emily Davison have had. We visited the Feren's Art Gallery last week to look at a number of landscape paintings by famous artists. We are looking forward to using some of the ideas we saw in our own landscape paintings. We have worked hard in Maths to learn the different coins and notes we use in the UK. We have been adding amounts and working out the change. Finally we have really enjoyed making predictions in our Reading lessons. We had to think really carefully about what was going to happen next in the story.

Whole School Attendance: Target attendance is above 97%.

Our whole school attendance to-date for this year is 95.5%. Individual classes are as follows:



FS2R— 85.8%	FS2G— 94.0%	FS2M— 94.2%	YR1A— 95.2%	YR1C— 96.2%	YR1T— 95.5%
YR2S/M — 96.2%	YR2D— 95.5%	YR2M— 95.5%	YR3B— 95.2%	YR3Q— 95.8%	YR3S— 97.0%
YR4B— 95.1%	YR4P— 95.9%	YR4M— 96.9%	YR5K— 95.7%	YR5C— 96.6%	YR5R— 94.7%
YR6R— 95.5%	YR6HB— 92.9%	YR6W— 96.4%			