



*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:** We have had a very busy half term. All the children from Year 1 onwards enjoyed the Valentine's Disco. This time we even had a DJ! On the same day Foundation had a disco during the day in the hall. Thank you to some of our parents who have come to lead whole school assemblies about their careers. These have been very thought provoking for children and staff. We took 26 children from the choir to Sheffield Arena to take part in Young Voices. There was a choir made up of 5000 school children who performed that evening. A truly inspirational experience.

### *Dates for your Diary*

7th March—World Book Day;  
 11th March — Parents' Evening;  
 12th March—Parents' Evening;  
 21st March—Movie Evening;  
 22nd March—School closes for Easter @ 3.15pm;  
 Monday 8th April - Teacher Training Day;  
 Tuesday 9th April—Children return to School.

#### **Year 6:**

We have had a very busy month in Year 6! Thank you to all our visitors who were able to come and join us for our art workshops—we hope that you enjoyed yourselves; the children really thrived from having you with us. We can't wait for you to see their final pieces on display soon. In Writing, the children have used their journalistic skills to write a newspaper report about Michael's disappearance and rescue. In Maths, children have continued to develop their knowledge of decimals, using this to help them solve an array of problems.

**Foundation Stage:** Foundation Stage 1 children are becoming great gardeners! They have planted their own beans and are so excited about caring for and observing their growth over time. The children have been learning about a fictional character called Jasper who is not so good at gardening, especially when it comes to planting beans and encouraging plants to grow! Last week, our special visitor called Zheng visited nursery to talk about Chinese New Year 2024. The children were captivated by the beautiful bright red and gold decorations and objects brought in, which are used to celebrate the New Year worldwide. Zheng also explained that 2024 signifies the year of the Dragon. Children in Foundation Stage 2 have discovered a magic key left behind by a friendly giant! A hand written letter led the children to ponder where the key had come from and what the key was used for. The children are utterly hooked and as a result created great pieces of writing related to castles. In the past few days the children have enjoyed learning about special people and the jobs they do by inviting in guest speakers, Nurse Emily and Fire Fighter Lee! Foundation Stage 1 Stay and Play is due to take place on Wednesday 6th March 2024.

#### **Year 5:**

Year 5 loved sharing their art skills during our parent workshops. The Valentine's Disco ended the half term with a bang and the children returned with great enthusiasm for our second Spring Half Term. The children enjoyed a visit from the Fire Service and Yorkshire Water and have learned about how to stay safe in flooded areas. International Languages Day has caused some excitement, when the children learnt to speak some Hungarian words, much to the delight of Mrs Richardson! In Maths, we have started to learn about measurements and perimeter. In PE, we have carried on with our Dance unit and have started Football. In Computing, we had a taste of reading and logging data, Science is all about physics this half term, and the children have made a parachute to demonstrate air resistance. In Geography, the children are learning about rivers and the water cycle and are comparing the River Hull to the Nile and the Amazon River.

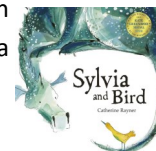
### Year 3:

We hope you enjoyed attending our art workshops before the half term break. We were very pleased with the artwork the children produced and are really looking forward to seeing their paintings on display in a couple of weeks.

This half term we have been enjoying our Geography learning about the coastal towns of East Yorkshire and the Reykjanes Peninsula in Iceland. We have learned to locate Hornsea, Bridlington, Filey, Scarborough and Whitby. We have learned the physical and human features of both Bridlington and Iceland. For our curricular goal we will compare these two places. Look out for a letter about a forthcoming educational visit to Bridlington soon.

### Year 1:

In Writing, we have really enjoyed starting our new book, 'Sylvia and Bird'. We have been practising writing sentences with lots of adjectives to describe the characters. We have also been working on extending our sentences by using the conjunction 'and'. We will be using our story map to help retell the story but using our own characters instead of Sylvia and Bird.



In Maths, we have been doing lots of super work on finding the tens and ones in numbers to 50. We have also been practising counting in 10s and using Base 10 resources to build numbers by showing the tens and ones.

In Geography, we have been learning all about the United Kingdom. We have learnt about the four countries and the surrounding seas and oceans. We have used atlases to help locate the capital cities and learned about the different landscapes in each of the countries.

### Year 4:

This term, we have enjoyed painting a riverscape, based on our artist John Horace Hooper. We were thrilled to see so many adults involved in our art parent workshop! We look forward to seeing you at our art exhibition on the 11th and 12th March. We had a great start to our half term with a violin concert. It was an amazing performance and we are extremely proud of the children. In PE, we have continued with our line dancing! The children have been working in small groups to create a routine that includes different line dancing steps. We are looking forward to seeing their final performances next week. In Science, we have been learning about states of matter and their properties. We will be moving onto our new topic 'Electricity' next week where we will be applying our knowledge to our DT lessons.

## Congratulations

to the **RED** House for winning the Cup this month!



### Year 2:

This term we have started to focus on journey stories in our Writing lessons. We have learnt the model text, and began writing our innovation this week. In Reading we have been focusing on characters actions and feelings to make inferences about why they are behaving a certain way. During our Maths lessons we are using our multiplication and division facts. We have learnt our 2's and 10's times tables this week and solved a number of problems using them.

During Science and PSHE we are focusing on how to live healthy lives. We have investigated which exercises made our heart beat faster and designed healthy plates. Finally in Geography, we are looking at the physical and human features of different landscapes, in particular Hull and Cairo.

**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:**



FS2G— 94.3%	FS2M— 94.5%	FS2R— 96%	YR1A— 95.6%	YR1C— 96.3%	YR1T— 95.6%
YR2D — 95%	YR2M— 95.9%	YR2S/M— 96.3%	YR3B— 95.5%	YR3Q— 95.9%	YR3S— 96.4%
YR4B — 95.3%	YR4M— 96.9%	YR4P— 96.1%	YR5C— 96.1%	YR5K— 95.6%	YR5R— 94%
YR6BR— 95.4%	YR6HB— 92.9%	YR6W— 96.3%			