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Message from Mrs Loten: Another busy half term. Year 1 have been on a trip to the Transport Museum linked to their topic of how things have changed over time. Year 5 have been to the Museum of Archaeology to look at how the Anglo-Saxons lived and their impact on Britain today. The choir with three members of staff went to take part in the amazing Young Voices concert in Sheffield, a memory that these children will have for life. There has also been a Year 6 boys football trip to Hymers College which the boys really enjoyed. It is a pleasure to watch your children grow, read and look at some of the amazing work that they produce. We look forward to sharing this with you at the History workshops next week.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 7th January — Children return to school Monday 3rd February - EYFS History workshop Tuesday 4th February - Y1 & Y2 History workshop Wednesday 5th February— Y3 & Y4 History workshop

Thursday 6th February— Y5 & Y6 History workshop Thursday 13th February - Valentines disco

Year 6:

The children in Y6 have blown us away with their ability to master algebra, we are so proud of the resilience they have shown and the hard work they have put in. In Writing, the children are currently creating their own stories based on Kensuke's Kingdom — they are showcasing all the features they have learnt so far this year. We cannot wait to see the finished products. In our PE sessions, the children are learning a range of dance styles and creating their own routines. We are very proud of the positive attitude that all children have shown towards their homework this half term—keep it up!

Foundation Stage:

In FS1 this half term we have welcomed our newest children to school. We are so incredibly proud of how the children have settled into Nursery! We have learnt the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and have really enjoyed creating our own story maps to retell the story. The children have loved the new, enhanced home corner and are developing their imaginative play in this area wonderfully.

In FS2 the children have been fully emersed in the story of the 'Three Little Pigs'. We have worked really hard in our Writing lessons to develop our transcription skills and have written a range of sentences, remembering to include capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. In Maths we have met Numberblocks 6,7,8 and 9! We have explored all the ways to make these numbers using tens frames and part whole models. Well done everyone for your hard work—keep it up!

Year 5:

Year 5 has been very excited to start their new class novel, 'The Boy in the Tower' by Polly Ho-Yen. This book explores what life might be like living with an invasive and most importantly deadly plant species and has fully captured the children's imagination. In History, we have started our Anglo-Saxon unit, which we have complemented with a visit to the Hull and East Riding Museum of archaeology. The children are thoroughly immersed in space too: they are learning about the order of the planets and what role the Sun, Moon and Earth play in our solar system.

In Writing we are currently practising skills to be able to write a discussion text and deciding, whether it would be a good idea for Caper Tock to talk to strangers in 'Rumblestar'. In Maths we have started our decimals and percentages unit. In Art, the paint brushes are out once again; we are learning about Vincent van Gogh's unique style and will be creating our own painting based on new skills.

Year 3:

Year 3 have been enjoying their Writing lessons, inspired by the short animation 'Taking Flight'. The children have been very resilient about improving their joined handwriting.

In Maths, we have been multiplying and dividing, including two digit numbers. Children who know their tables were able to approach this with confidence.

In History, we have enjoyed learning about prehistory. We have found the differences between the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages to be fascinating. The children are looking forward to showing off their knowledge at the forthcoming workshop.

Year 4:

We have had a fantastic start to the term in Year 4, the children have worked incredibly hard across all their subjects. In Writing, the children have been crafting their own journey tales, inspired by the story 'Dragon Mountain'. In History, we have been exploring the fascinating world of the Romans, learning about how they lived and the myths surrounding their many Gods and Goddesses. It has been wonderful to see the children so engaged with the topic. In Music, the children have been busy practicing a range of songs in preparation for their concert, which will take place after half term. They're sounding fantastic already, and we can't wait for you to hear them perform!

Year 1:

This half term, we were all very excited about our trip to the Streetlife museum. We really enjoyed our workshop looking at toys from the past. We got to play with a lot of the old toys and we even made our own optical illusion toy. We have also shared our responses from our grandparents about toys they used to play with when they were our age and how they spent their leisure time.

In our Writing lessons, we are writing a recount of our trip. We are then moving on to write instructions for how to make an optical illusion toy. We have also been working very hard on our handwriting.

We have started looking at numbers to 20 in our Maths lessons this half term. We have been working on our number bonds to 20 and completing addition problems within 20.

During our Science lessons, we have been learning about materials. We have identified different materials and talked about their properties. In one of our lessons, we went on a material hunt around our classroom.

Congratulations



Year 2:

This half term we have enjoyed finding out about the Great Fire of London in both our History and Reading lessons. We have learned about how and where the fire started and how London changed after the fire.

In our Writing lessons we have been learning and writing about different ways to make wishes. We have also been working hard on improving our handwriting and spelling.

Next week we are very excited about our visit to Ferens Art Gallery as part of our art work. We will be finding out about landscape paintings and then using this information as inspiration when we paint our own landscapes.

Whole School Attendance: Target attendance is above 97%.

Our whole school attendance to-date for this year is 96.3%.

Individual classes are as follows:

FS2K— 95.5%	YR2LS— 94.4%	YR4P— 97.6%	YR6HB— 95.7%
FS2G— 94.9%	YR2ES— 97.7%	YR4RB— 95.4%	YR6BR— 96.1%
FS2R— 95.6%	YR2EM — 96.5%	YR4B — 96.9%	YR6M— 95.8%
YR1K— 96.4%	YR3M — 96.8%	YR5ER— 97%	
YR1C— 95.6%	YR3S— 96%	YR5PR— 96.5%	
YR1T— 97.6%	YR3Q— 96.6%	YR5K— 97.3%	



Message from Attendance:

Thank you to all of your efforts in ensuring your children attend school regularly. We are so proud to have a whole school attendance of 96.3% to date. This is so close to our target of 97%. If for any reason your child is too unwell to attend school could we please remind you to contact the school on a daily basis. Well done to Mr Pearson's class who has the highest attendance throughout January with 99.4%. Also congratulations goes to Miss Tulley's class who once again achieved 100% attendance for a week in January, they have received 4 certificates so far this academic year. A class who achieves 6 certificates is able to win a prize of their own choice. Last year the class with 6 certificates took part in a treasure hunt, had ice cream and took a prize home each.



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

Useful links & Numbers

Early Help family support North
Locality Hub – 01482 828 901
East Locality Hub – 01482 708 953
West Locality Hub – 01482 305 770
Children and Families Disability
Team - 01482 715 155
Hull Local Offer SEND support
hull.mylocaloffer.org
CAMHS Crisis Team (Child
Adolescent Mental Health Service–
01482 259400
Adult Crisis Team – 01482 301701

Message from Safeguarding:

Break time snacks / Lunch time pack up

Please can we remind you that we are a **Nut Free School**, due to having a number of children with severe Nut allergies, we ask that parents do not send their children with any snacks containing Nuts. Please check packaging.

Additionally, we have had a number of children bring **lollipops** in as a snack or in their pack up, please refrain from sending these to School, they are a **choking hazard** and are unhealthy as they contain high amounts of sugar.

