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Kingswear Thursday Post

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A big thank you to all who donated and purchased cakes and sweet treats for the PTA Halloween Cake Sale after school today. The PTA really appreciates all of your support.

On the last day of term Friday 15th December, please note that school will be closing at 1.30pm and the children will need to be collected at this time.

This morning Orcas and Dolphins had a wonderful time over at Dartmouth's food festival. Thank you to all our volunteers who accompanied us, without your support it would be impossible for us to organise these trips.

Monday 30th October will be a 'spooky' day at the land, please could children come wearing a spooky themed hat or headband. There will be pumpkin soup available for all children to try. Please can we ask that every child brings a pumpkin so that they can do some pumpkin carving during their forest school session. If the weather is poor we will let everyone know via email or Facebook as soon as possible.

Parents evening appointments will be held on the week of the 20th November. Time sheets will be placed on each classroom door for you to select an appropriate time slot. If your child comes to school on the taxi please ring Mrs Tucker to organise a time slot.

Unfortunately, I have had to remove the mezzanine access from Dolphins as they are not respecting this area of the school or the staff who are monitoring the area. Please could you talk to your child over the holidays about respecting all school areas and all school staff. YR6 pegs will now be back in the corridor outside Dolphin class.

Today your child has been given proofs of the photographs which were taken yesterday. Please note that although the envelope says that they need to be returned in 7 days, we will not count half-term! Please make sure that they are back promptly after the break though.

Tomorrow is a non-pupil day and we hope that everyone has a wonderful half term and we look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday 30th October 2017.

Jessica Alford- Head of School

Star Awards



This week the Tripod Trophy is
awarded to-

Toby Guthrie

Miss Seabrook's Star Award-

Daisy

Mrs Simnett's Star Award-

Archie S and Lewis A

Mr Jefferies's Star Award-

Eric

Head of School/ Maturity Awards

Congratulations to Maisy, Reuben, Max, Amelie, James, Eric, Romini, George, Ralph, Justin, Jack, Malakai, Charlie and Daisy, who this week, have received Head of School and /or maturity awards for their kind acts, mature attitude, terrific work and for persevering when things become a little bit tricky.



Key Dates

Friday 20th October- Non-pupil day

Monday 23rd October- Start of half term

Monday 30th October- Return to school
after half term/ Spooky Land Day

Thursday 2nd November- Harvest School
Lunch

Tuesday 14th November- Orcas and
Dolphins trip to Plymouth

Friday 17th November- Children in Need
Day

Friday 24th November- Candlelit
Dartmouth

Friday 1st December- Kingswear Christmas
Light Switch on

Friday 15th December- Last day of the
Autumn Term. Please note that school will
finish at 1.30pm on this day. Christmas
jumper day.

Tuesday 2nd January- Non-pupil day

Team Points

Each week, the children can earn points for their colour team. At the end of the Year, these points will be added to the Sports Day totals.

Red 201

Yellow 195

Green 209

Blue 199

Dartmouth Food Festival

The children of Orcas and Dolphins had a terrific morning at Dartmouth Food Festival today. They created their own salads, learnt how important it is to balance your calorie intake with exercise, met some adorable sheep and made their own pieces of art using recycled waste found in our seas and rivers.

Thank you to Kym and Vanessa for accompanying us on this trip.



We're going on a Bear Hunt!

Today, whilst KS2 went to the Food Festival, Otters went on a Bear Hunt! Otter, our class mascot, went missing and we had to find him. We followed a trail that he had left around the school, and using musical instruments, we shook our shakers when we got nearer to him! He was making a jigsaw puzzle in the studio! Naughty Otter.



HARVEST LUNCH



This year we would like to invite parents/carers and grandparents into school to have a meal with their children to celebrate Harvest. This will take place on Thursday 2nd November at 12.15pm, and will cost £3.00 per adult. Would you please let us know if you will be joining us on this day by Monday 30th October at the latest.

The meal will be Roast Pork or a vegetarian alternative, Roast Potatoes, Fresh Vegetables and Gravy. Followed by Blackberry and Apple Crumble with custard or cream.

We hope as many of you will join us on this day to celebrate Harvest, and join your children for lunch.

Forest School

What is the best thing to do on a windy day? That's right, fly a kite! Inspired by the song 'Let's go fly a kite' from Mary Poppins the children used their forest school session on Monday to create their own kites. The children had to think about using symmetry in their design, and measuring points accurately to create the kite shape. Once their kite was finished the children went outside to test their kites in the blustery conditions with varying degrees of success.



Children in Need

BBC Children in Need is the BBC's UK charity. Since 1980 it has raised over £600 million for disabled children and young people in the UK. This year we are going to support this very worthy charity by holding a non-uniform day with a spotty theme. We are asking all children and staff to come into school on this day wearing as many spots as they can on their clothes. We are suggesting a donation of £1. All money raised will be given to this important charity.



Virtue of the Week

Perseverance

All children have rights!

Each week, in our celebration assembly, we will give out awards to those children who have embodied this virtue.

This week's award winners are Max, Mawgan and Jacob.



Well done everyone!

Celebration of Achievement

We really love to hear about the activities that the children take part in outside of school. If you have anything you would like to share with us, please send them to-

parent@kingswearprimary.org.uk

Can all emails be marked for the Friday Post.

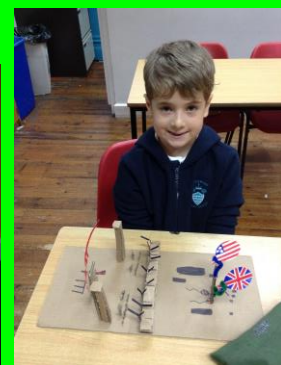
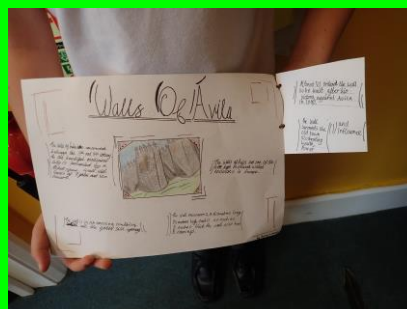
These will then be passed on to Emma.

Congratulations to Flynn who has recently been awarded the Chief Scout's Bronze Award for completing all of his challenge badges. A fantastic achievement, well done!



Home Learning

We have had another week of some outstanding home learning being produced. Thank you to everyone for their incredible efforts with this topic.



After half term in Otters-

After half term Otters will be focusing on a new class book, this will link to our new Topic. We will be reading Cops & Robbers by Janet & Alan Ahlberg. We will learn parts of the text and think of some actions to help us. We will discuss what we like about the text and consider the rhyming parts.

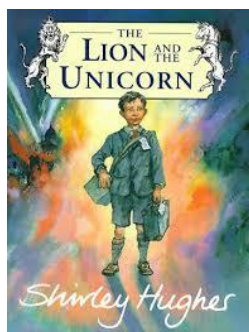
Our new topic will be 'People who help us'. We will think about all of the people in the community who help us when we are in need. We will think about what we might have to do if we wanted to have one of these jobs when we grow up. We hope to meet some real 'People who help us' too!

Reception will be counting up to 10 objects which cannot be moved. They will be matching numerals to the number in a set. They will understand that zero describes an empty set. They will be counting backwards from 10 to 1 (using songs/rhymes) and they will continue a repeating pattern with two colours/shapes/objects.

Year 1 will be counting to 100 in ones and tens from zero. They will count on and back starting from any number up to 20. They will order numbers to 20 on a track, then a beaded line. The children will mark on numbers just before and after 5, 10, 15, and 20. They will compare two numbers less than 20 and say which is more or less.

After half term in Orcas-

We will be reading 'The Lion and the Unicorn' by Shirley Hughes, exploring the issues raised in it through drama, and writing messages to evacuees to link in with the launch of our new topic.



We will continue to practise subtraction using number lines and visual maths (year 2), moving onto formal column subtraction (year 3 and 4) with larger numbers. We will solve word problems involving both addition and subtraction.

Our new topic will be 'The Home Front'. We will place the Second World War on our timeline and explore what we already know about WWII. We will watch videos of evacuees being interviewed to find out how life changed during the Second World War.



After half term in Dolphins-

We have worked hard in Dolphins this term and will work even harder after half term.

During our English lessons, we will be using our WW2 Topic to focus our writing, starting by looking at Diary Entries and how we can include all the necessary writing skills expected of Dolphins.

In Maths, we will be looking at Multiplication and Division, how they are linked, mental strategies and also how to spot patterns and solve problems efficiently and effectively.

Our Topic will be based around WW2 and 'The Home Front' so any prior learning and reading around this topic would be fantastic.

Remember, to read for around 30 minutes every day, write as you wish and to recap Place Value, Subtraction and Addition while out and about this half term.

