# **Knaphill Federation of Schools**

**Knaphill Lower School and Knaphill School** 

"Together we are better"

# **Weekly Focus**

# Friday 6th May 2022

#### Dear Parents and Guardians,

What an amazing week we have had at both sites. The children continue to apply the values and high expectations that we are learning in school . Even though it has been a short week, they have continued to work incredibly hard and diligently.

## School Uniform

Wearing a uniform with pride instils a sense of community and as such, I would like to remind you of the uniform expectations at school.

- White shirt/ polo shirt or blouse
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt, tunic or culottes
- Bottle green joggers (Nursery and Reception only)
- Bottle green cardigan or sweatshirt (with Federation Logo)
- OPTIONAL Bottle green fleece jacket, showerproof (with Federation Logo)
- Grey, or white plain socks, grey or green tights
- Summer dress green and white checked
- School Cap
- Book Bag with School Logo (Years R Year 2)
  Sensible footwear flat, closed toe black shoes with buckles / laces / velcro (no heels. boots or trainers)
- Outerwear to suit weather conditions

# Knaphill Junior School: Mrs Woodruff



If hair is longer than shoulder height, please can this be tied back and a reminder that earrings should be removed for P.E.

This week, we are continuing to focus on our school drivers: Confidence, Compassion, Curiosity and Courage. These underpin our learning and our staff work hard to ensure that children are provided with opportunities to demonstrate these in their learning to achieve our goal of ensuring our pupils can be the best they can be. During the month of May, we will be unpicking what it means to show compassion and what that means to our school and community and how we can see this in our day to day lives. We are encouraging our children to demonstrate compassion in all areas of their lives. We have also been reminding the children of our values: Respect, Perseverance, Trust and Enjoyment. We know that instilling these in our children enables them to live fulfilled and happy lives. As with the lower school, we are instilling high expectations in all our children and encouraging them to consider their conduct in lessons and around the school. We know that positive and respectful learning behaviours enables children to make the best progress.



Mrs Harrison and I are incredibly proud of the quality of work we have seen by children and we are encouraging them to come and share their work to us so that we can celebrate it and where possible, send a copy home so you can see how they are progressing in school.

#### Year 6 SATs



Next week, our Year 6 children our sitting their statutory assessments (SATs) and to support them in their endeavors, we are encouraging all pupils to come on site from 08:15 for a complimentary breakfast. We are hoping that this provides an opportunity to enter the assessments with a calm and positive mindset. We know how hard that the children and staff have worked to prepare for the assessments and we know the children will do themselves proud.

<u>The Gate</u>

Thank you for your patience as we await the completion our gate. As you know, our office team are coming down to manually open the gate for each visitor. We will keep you updated on the progress for this.

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#### Knaphill Lower School: Miss Harbridge

As I sit here at my desk, bright red and little sweaty after completing over a mile of running after school (Mr Burrow tricked us with that measuring of the laps), I can say that I am once again very proud to be a member of the Knaphill community! A parent commented to me this afternoon that it feels as if our school is coming alive once again and that is very right. Running the eight laps alongside children from both schools, parents, and members of staff (including Mrs Woodruff), it feels like we are part of something exciting and we are all in this together! I know that we are still in the early days of our journey but I know that each day is a step in the right direction and today we did 855 laps worth of steps towards improved fitness, developing our community and better things.

Based on the feedback from today, we also plan to trial this as a monthly event on the first Friday of the month. Our community is invited to join us once again for a mile (or more) of running on <u>Friday 10th June</u>—the first Friday after half-term. We plan to make the next one even bigger and better, so even if you don't fancy running, please join us for walking a few laps or cheering us on from a picnic blanket!

#### From Mr Burrow:

I wanted to say a massive thank you to everyone who joined in the fun this afternoon. We had over 100 people participating

in the run which was absolutely incredible! It was so great to see our school community come together on such a lovely afternoon. It makes me proud to be a part of Knaphill School to see that our pupils, parents and teachers are all so supportive and believe in the importance of physical exercise. While you were all running your socks off, I was busy cheering you on at the finish line but I was also keeping a tally of every lap that was completed. In the 30 minutes that we were out on the field, we ran **855 laps!** After using my incredibly sharp mental math skills (I definitely didn't use a calculator), I calculated that together we all



ran 106 miles! To put that in perspective, that's approximately the distance to France! On that note, I will say au revoir and wish you all a lovely weekend.

## Meet the Heads— Knaphill's Journey to Success: 25th May

We would like to invite you to attend a meet the Heads session with both Miss Harbridge and Mrs Woodruff on Wednesday 25th May. During this meeting we will share our journey so far, including our work on sharing high expectations, our curriculum drivers, and a clearer approach to managing behaviour. We also will talk through our shared action plan for further development at both sites.

To ensure we have as many members of our community attending as possible, we will run two sessions:

9:00—9:30 am 17:30– 18:00 pm Both sessions will take place in the Knaphill Lower School Hall. If you plan to attend, please complete this short form: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/RhFYxAEXzM</u>

Have a lovely weekend—enjoy the warmer weather. Best wishes, Miss Harbridge and Mrs Woodruff

# **KFOS Community Updates**



#### Surrey Positive Parenting Service

Managers name: Lynne Johnston Email: <u>surreypositiveparenting@barnardos.org.uk</u> <u>www.barnardos.org.uk/surrey-positive-parenting</u> We are available **Monday-Friday, 9am - 4:30pm** For further information please visit: <u>www.mindworks-surrey.org</u>

We deliver support programmes daytime and evening to suit your needs.

Out of Hours ADHD Parenting Support Helpline 0300 222 5755 (5.00pm - 10.15pm, 365 Days a year)

Barnardo's is a charity No 216251 and SC037605

## Aims of the Parent Factor in ADHD

Barnardo's aim to support parents like you who have children diagnosed with ADHD. This support, advice, and skills building group helps to:

- Gain confidence and skills when living with a child with ADHD
- Consider what it is like to be a child living with ADHD
- Explore how positive parenting is beneficial to the family as a whole
- Discuss strategies for effective behaviour management
- Have the opportunity to meet with other parents
- Look at different forms of communication







Parent Factor in ADHD

For Parents who have received a diagnosis of ADHD for their child

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## Aims of the sessions

Session One - An overview of the Parent Factor in ADHD programme and the opportunity to share stories.

Session Two - An opportunity to learn and understand information about ADHD.

Session Three - Day to day tasks involved in parenting and parenting styles.

Session Four - To discuss the importance of good communication, both talking and listening.

Session Five - To look at self-esteem and how to raise selfesteem in our children.

Session Six - To look at emotional behaviour and how we can support our children to regulate their emotions.

Session Seven - To give parents information about the education system and their rights within it. Sleep hygiene, social stories and sensory issues.

Session Eight - Supporting your growing child.

#### Knaphill Governors:

Please see the below email for our KFOS Governing Board. We are very lucky to have very supportive and engaged governors at Knaphill, who are determined to ensure the very best for your children. If you want to get into contact for any reason, please see the contact details below.

# Being the best we can be!

Max and Marceline in 3B have been showing their determination in their Karate sessions. They have worked very hard and were recently awarded their first red stripe! We are so very proud of them! Well done.



# Mr Burrow's Sports News!

What a week! The sun has been shining and we have lots to talk about regarding PE and sport. We welcomed back world famous Jamie Knight back to Knaphill as he took all of our Junior School children for a freestyle football workshop. What impressed me so much was the determination from all our children to try something new. Jamie challenged the children to try some really advanced skills and this didn't faze any of them. A special shout out goes to Zoe in 4H who was attempting the skill 'The Blind Heel' where you balance the ball on your neck and then pop up and kick the ball. After several unsuccessful attempts, it might have been easy to give up and stop trying but Zoe kept going and eventually managed to complete a Blind Heel that even Jamie Knight would have been proud of!

The whole day with Jamie was an incredible experience and he told me afterwards that both Knaphill Schools were some of the most passionate and enthusiastic children he has ever taught. Well done everyone! To keep your football freestyle skills inspired, I have attached a few links to videos Jamie has made teaching some more skills for you to practice at home.

#### 1: Mamba Cork Screw

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xkp7Os3F7Ug

2: Blind Heel

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QJostVZI0h0

3: Neck Stall

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5LF-1smVwng

4: Cross Over

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MYbu\_EXPEeQ

# Dates 2021-22

New events are being added every week—these will be in red so you can add them to your diary!

## Summer Term Dates

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Year 4 Bikeability

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Year 5 Residential

Meet the Heads - Wednesday 25th May (9-9.30 and 5.30–6)

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Half Term

Monthly Knaphill Fun Run - can we beat 855 laps? Friday 10th June

Friday 24th June—Year 5 Greek Day

Friday 1st July—Grandparents Festival

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Inset Day (Lego Land Day)

Friday 22nd July– Last day of Summer Term

Sports Days—times TBC

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June - Nursery Sports Day Thursday 23rd June- Junior School Sports Day Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June- Lower School Sports Day

## **PTA Events**

Saturday 21st May / Sunday 22nd May—Family Camping

Saturday 2nd July—Summer Fair

Friday 22nd July— End of Year Colour Run

Thursday 15th September— Happy Circus

#### Inset Days 2022-23

1st September

2nd September

31st October

3rd January

20th February

7th July