



Knaphill Federation of Schools

Knaphill Lower School and Knaphill School

"Together we are better"



Weekly Update : Knaphill Junior School

Friday 10th March

A word from Mrs Harrison: This week has been a super busy and memorable one. One of our school aspirations is to create a love of reading for all our children and I feel we have gone some way to achieve that this week. It was lovely to see the children arrive and take to the red carpet as they entered through the balloon arch and in to Roald Dahl's world of stories. With the whole school decorated, it felt truly magical and awe inspiring. I loved being a fly on the wall and hearing children's reactions. The day continued with all children visiting different classrooms across the school and using their growth mindsets to challenge themselves with different activities. Our Governors arrived in school on Tuesday to see the progress that the school is making and to ensure that what is shared at our Governor meetings is an accurate picture. Our chair of governors Marleen, and our Reading Ambassadors opened the new Community library on this day too (see report below). On Wednesday, we had our termly review with our CEO, Gill Koslowski. This visit also checks that we are continuing well in our development journey for the school. We are thrilled with their positive comments about our school, staff and children. Finally, on Thursday, Fantastic Horrible Science author Nick Arnold 'visited' our school all the way from his home in Yorkshire! The children had the opportunity to ask lots of questions, which will lead us nicely in to Science week next week! Have a great weekend and wonderful week ahead.

Dog Trust Workshops

This week we have had some of our Dog Trust workshops—which have focused on 'Safe behaviour'. The children really enjoyed their sessions and learnt lots of tips to help them with behaviour around dogs.

Find out more here:

<https://www.learnwithdogstrust.org.uk/safety/bedogsmart-parentsleaflet.pdf>

Sports—Football and Cross Country



Some of our children in Years 5 & 6 represented the school in the Year 5 & 6 WASPS cross country competition this week.

Also – our Year 6 Boys' football team travelled to Pirbright school to compete in a 'Round Robin' competition with other local schools. We were really proud of the effort that the children put in, and that they consistently showed respectful behaviour not only to their team members, but to the other competing teams too.



Community Library opening

On Tuesday, we opened our school community library with the help of our governors, and reading ambassadors, which has been generously made and donated by Mr & Mrs Zeila. The library is a place for children to swap an old book for a new one.

You will find the library located at the front of the school and it is already full of a wide variety of books. Please make sure that any of the books brought in are preloved, but not broken or missing pages.

We look forward to seeing the library be used frequently,

Attendance Cup.

This week's winners:

3J 98.2%



The runners up:

6A 98.1%

Comic Relief

On March 17th, we will be supporting 'Red Nose Day' by dressing in a way to makes them and others happy!



House Points

1st: Rowling – 276

2nd: Windsor – 274

3rd: Attenborough – 245

4th: Farah – 214

Spring Total	1097	1097	1260	1462
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Book week

Wow - what a week we have had at Knaphill School to celebrate our World Book Week 2023!

Upon entering into the sweet delights of Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory, the children found themselves transported into a world of pure imagination. Each child was the eager recipient of a very special Willy Wonka envelope, as they took their seats inside the Chocolate Factory. The air was buzzing with excitement as the lucky few winners of the Golden Tickets were revealed. Mr Willy Wonka proudly awarded them with their prizes.

After leaving the Chocolate Factory, the children were summoned by Miss Trunchbull to complete a rigorous morning fitness regime. Once fully warmed up, the children took part in an array of Roald Dahl themed activities: crafting dreamcatchers to capture the BFG's dreams, concocting potions and experiments with George and his marvellous medicine, creating their very own flavour of chocolate bar at Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory and performing poetry to bring Roald Dahl's poems to life!

The fun did not stop there! On Thursday, our World Book Day, the children poured through the gates in a variety of incredible book related costumes. To kick off the day with a BANG, children's author Nick Arnold amazed us with his science experiments and life stories on how he became the author of the Horrible Science series. After lunch, the children excitedly awaited the news of who would win our Book Day costume certificates. The whole school enjoyed taking part in a variety of Book Day activities to celebrate our love of books, including their Paired Reading session. It was truly wonderful to see children across the Year Groups sharing their favourite stories with each other.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you will go." - Dr. Seuss.



Author Talk

On Thursday we had an exciting virtual visitor - Nick Arnold, the author of the fantastic Horrible Science series of books. Nick told us about his love of writing since being a child and how he became an author. He completed two Horrible Science experiments, one involving electrical current and another involving water (the children may be keen to try the water experiment at home). We also competed in a quiz about how to write books and he answered many questions that the children had written for him. The visit has inspired our children to write and to want to be authors of books, which Nick described as the best job in the world!

Dates 2022-23

All dates are kept up-to-date on the school website: kfos.co.uk/news/calendar/

Date	Event	Year Group
Monday 16th January	Online Safety Talk with Sharon Girling OBE – 8.45 AM in Knaphill School Hall	Parents of all Year Groups
Monday 16th January	Online Safety Workshop	All Year Groups
Thursday 19th January	Winston Churchill School's Production at Rhoda McGaw Theatre	Year 6
Monday 23rd – Friday 27th January	Bikeability	Year 4
Wednesday 25th January	Parent Meeting about Stone Farm residential in 6S @ 3.30PM	Year 6
Thursday 9th February	Butser Farm trip	Year 3
Monday 13th – Friday 17th February	Spring Half Term	All Year Groups
Monday 20th February	INSET	All Year Groups
Tuesday 28th February – Friday 3rd March	Stone Farm residential	Year 6
Monday 6th – Friday 10th March	Book Week (please note change of date)	All Year Groups
Thursday 9th March	Book Dress-up Day (Junior School)	All Year Groups
Thursday 9th, Friday 10th & Tuesday 14th March	Dog Trust Workshops	All Year Groups
Monday 13th -Friday 17th March	Science Week	All Year Groups
Friday 17th March	Red Nose Day	All Year Groups
Tuesday 21st March	Viking Workshop	Year 4
Tuesday 21st March	Parents' Evening	All Year Groups
Thursday 23rd March	Parents' Evening	All Year Groups
Friday 24th March	Stone Age Day	Year 3
Wednesday 29th –Friday 31st March	Sayers Croft residential	Year 4
Friday 31st March	Last Day of Spring Term – 1:15pm finish	All Year Groups

Date	PTA Events	
Wednesday 8th February	Disco – Junior School 5:30 – 7:00 PM	
Friday 3rd March	Bag2School collection	
Sunday 12th March	Surrey Half Marathon	
Friday 17th March	Mothers' Day Pizza/ Cookie Kits sale	
Monday 27th March	Easter Fun Day	