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# Knaphill Junior School Weekly Update



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## This Month's Focus Value: RESILIENCE

### A note from Mrs Harrison:

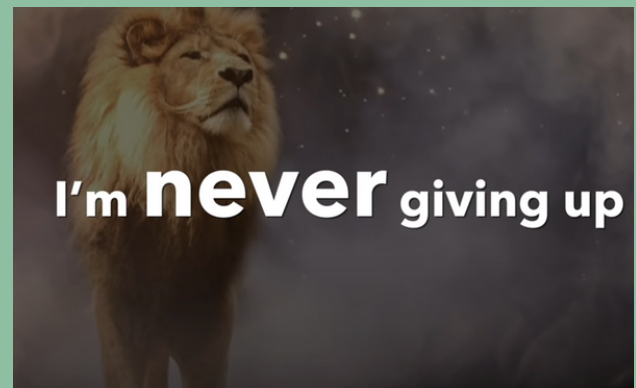
I really can't believe that we are at the end of Autumn term! Where has that time gone? It has been an action-packed first term, with so much that we have achieved. Yesterday saw the carol concert for years 3 & 4 take place at Holy Trinity Church. The children sang beautifully and were a credit to their parents and the school. What a way to end our term and start the Christmas holidays. I wish you and your families a wonderful Christmas, if you celebrate. The holidays will give us all some time to be with family and friends, some time to be outside, some time to do different activities. Thank you for all your support this term. See you on the gate on Wednesday 3rd January 2024.

### Value of the month: Resilience

Definition: The ability to be happy, successful again when something is difficult or bad has happened.

#### What does resilience look like:

- Trying to take a positive view on situations.
- Viewing challenges as learning opportunities.
- Regulating emotions and expressing feelings in appropriate ways.
- Focusing on the things you can control instead of dwelling on what you cannot change



### House Points Weekly Winner

With 225 house points earned, congratulations to Rowling our winners this week.

1st Windsor

2nd Rowling

3rd Farah

4th Attenborough

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## Book Swap- Thank you

Thank you to everyone who donated a book for our book swap. There were so many lovely books for the children to pick from.

We are working hard to promote a love of reading amongst all our pupils and we hope that events like this, will encourage your children to try a new book, meet new characters and enjoy new authors.



Congratulations to our first ever winners of the Golden Pencil - Award for outstanding presentation.

These amazing children have consistently impressed their teachers with wonderful presentation throughout the term.

Year 3 - Mustafa, David and Samyra

Year 4 - Parneet, Ethan and Amelia-Rose

Year 5 - Aoife and Sophie

Year 5 Ariyanna, Izzy and Jack



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## Year 5 - World War 2 Day

The children of year 5, enjoyed an exciting day of World War 2 activities. They arrived dressed for the experience as land girls, pilots, air raid wardens, soldiers and evacuees.



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## Stars of the Week

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Year 3- Ledley, Jasmine and Baxter

Year 4- Malakai, Kit and Chloe

Year 5- Lucy H and Sam

Year 6- Kayla, Cinar and Jack E

## Attendance Cup

By the tiniest of margins, our winners this week are Hazel class.

Enjoy your extra breaktime at the start of next term.

## The Final TTRS Results of 2023

Our last Knaphill School TTRS tournaments of 2023 have finished.

We have an impressive victory for the younger but mighty Year 3, winning their battle against Year 6.

In the Year 4 versus Year 5 competition, there was a very clear winner- well done Year 4!

Starting today, we have one new tournament with every class in the school competing against each other to see which is the champion times tabling class.

This will run until the first Thursday back in the Spring Term- Thursday 4th January.  
Who will win their class the first additional break-time of 2024?

### 1st December - 14th December 2023



Year 3

270

Year 6

147

### 1st December - 14th December 2023



Year 4

542

Year 5

30

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## Reading Assembly Book Recommendations

We have enjoyed hearing extracts from the teachers' favourite children's books every Tuesday in our Reading Assemblies.

Here is a summary of the books shared to far:

Mrs Bowry - You're a Bad Man, Mr Gum by Andy Stanton

Mr Mills - Horrible Science by Nick Arnold

Miss Fini - The Twits by Roald Dahl

Mrs Saunders - The Land of Roar by Jenny McLachlan

Mr Alderton - Silverfin by Charlie Higson

Miss Glass - The Nowhere Emporium by Ross MacKenzie

Mrs Shaw - The Magician's Nephew by C.S. Lewis

Mrs Harmston - Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl

Mrs Wainscott - Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

For further details, have a read of the brilliant AUTUMN ENGLISH MAGAZINE - written by Miss Fini and Mrs. Humphrey- Caglia. There are even some extracts of children's writing to enjoy.





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## PTA Update



Please take a moment to read more about the Green Screen Project our wonderful PTA are working towards.

Well done to Oscar who successfully completed a 5K run on Sunday to raise money for this brilliant project.

I am sure you will agree it will make such a difference to our outdoor environment.

Please see the flyer below for more details.

## Winter Reading Challenge 2023

Over the holiday, we are running a Winter Reading Challenge. Copies of this challenge will be posted in Google Classrooms.

There are 12 reading activities to choose from.

Complete 3 challenges to earn a bronze certificate

Complete 6 activities to earn a silver certificate.

Complete 9 challenges to earn a gold certificate.

Please print and complete the challenge sheet and return to school.

Alternatively please submit the sheet through Google Classroom.

Closing date - 5th January 2024

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



# KNAPHILL SCHOOL CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY READING CHALLENGE



## Instructions

Print off a copy of this reading challenge and ask your parent or guardian to sign when you have completed a reading activity.

Complete 3 activities to win a bronze certificate.

Complete 6 activities to win a silver certificate.

Complete 9 activities to win a gold certificate.

Hand to your teacher. Closing date 5th January 2024.

If you are unable to print - ask your parent or guardian to email your class teacher with the numbers of the activities you have completed.

1. Read a Christmas themed story..

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Have a whole family bedtime story.

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Write a review of a book you have read.

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Read an extract of a non-fiction book.

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Read a book that is older than you.

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Read in an unusual place.

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7. Read a story about an animal.

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8. Read a book about kindness.

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Share a story with a friend.

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10. Draw a picture of your favourite book character.

\_\_\_\_\_

11. Read a poem to someone.

\_\_\_\_\_

12. Read an extract of book which has been made into a film or televised.

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# Green Screen Installation PTA fundraising



Earlier in the year the PTA undertook a survey with parents and carers to ask what you would like us to do in relation to eco and green issues. Within that survey 81% of our school community wanted us to improve green spaces /the natural environment within our schools.

The Knaphill Schools PTA along with local Councillor (and school governor) Dr Hassan Akberali, have been trying to access funding to implement various changes across both schools. For the junior school we are attempting to raise funds to install green (ivy) screens in the playgrounds to help turn our grey spaces green.

The picture above shows the vision that we have. We would like to install natural screening across length of the far end of the playground and in the small playground. This will be a mix of oak planters and ivy screens planted directly into the ground.

The total funds needed for this project is around £12,500 and we are currently approaching local businesses for sponsorship and applying for funding to raise the money.

So far we have raised a little under £3,000.

Our fundraising has been boosted with a kind donation from the Lansbury Business Estate and our Vice Chair, Vikki and her son Oscar have run a 5k to raise some more money. If you would like to make a donation, you can do so on our Just Giving Page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/kfosgreenscreens>

If you own or work for a business that may be able to make a donation or contribute to the installation of the screens, please get in touch with Vikki at [kfosec@gmail.com](mailto:kfosec@gmail.com)



**If you need support now, here's what to do**

**If you're in immediate danger:  
call 999**

**If you have an urgent need, call our  
crisis team on 0800 915 4644 . It's open  
24 hours a day – 7 days a week.**

**If you're not in a crisis, but still need support ...**

**If you do not need urgent support, you can talk to your mental health lead in school. They are there to listen and support you with your mental health and wellbeing. If you do not know who this is, talk to a member of school staff you trust and they will be able to help you.**

**Visit our website, [www.mindworks-surrey.org](http://www.mindworks-surrey.org) – this offers a wide range of information which can help your mental health and wellbeing. We have resources such as My Safety Plan and self-help tips to help guide you through your wellbeing during challenging times. You'll find links to useful websites, recommended reading , plus coping strategies to help you through difficult times.**

**We are partnered with Kooth, who are a digital mental health platform providing confidential support for all young people. Here you can access forums, activity centres, messaging and live counselling. You can get support when you need it, with no waiting lists or need to be referred by an adult. Visit [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com) for more information.**

**Sometimes it might feel easier to message/ text about how you are feeling and there are many places you can do this:  
Shout : is a free, confidential, 24/7 text support service for anyone in the UK who is struggling to cope. To start a conversation, text the word 'SHOUT' to 85258.  
Chat Health : is a safe and easy way for you to speak to a qualified health professional. They provide information about services near you that can provide support. Contact them through their website [www.chathealth.nhs.uk](http://www.chathealth.nhs.uk)**

**The CYP (Children & Young People) Haven is a safe space for any child or young people aged 10–18 to go where they can talk about worries and mental health in a confidential, friendly and supportive place. Scan the QR code for more information.**



**We also work closely with young people groups such as Amplify, their contact email [amplify.mindworks@sabp.nhs.uk](mailto:amplify.mindworks@sabp.nhs.uk) and Surrey Youth Voice, where your voice can help us help other young people's mental health and wellbeing services across Surrey and North East Hampshire. Contact them on 01483 519 464 or [user.voice@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:user.voice@surreycc.gov.uk)**

**Mindworks Surrey provides a dedicated out-of-hours helpline for parents and carers of children with suspected or diagnosed neurodevelopmental needs such as ASD and or ADHD. It's open 5 pm–11 pm, seven days a week. Call 0300 222 5755.**

**Mindworks Surrey also offers a range of groups and youth clubs for both children and young people. These are all open to self-referral and you can find out more information on our website by scanning the QR code.**



**The Mindworks Access and Advice Team can also provide support in signposting you to more help. Call them on 0300 222 5755.**



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

Date	Event	Year Group
Monday 18th December - Monday 1st January	Christmas Holiday	all
Tuesday 2nd January 2024	INSET Day	3-6
Wednesday 3rd January 2024	Return to school for pupils	3-6