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Knaphill Junior School Weekly Update



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This Month's Focus Value: COURAGE

A note from Mrs Harrison:

It has been a cold week this week. Thank you for sending your child in to school with a coat, as we like to get the children out at every play and lunchtime if we can.

I love a new term! It has been really lovely seeing the children engaging at the end of the day with their class reading book. This part of the day is a special one, when your child's class teacher shares a story that they have chosen from the year group suggested reads. In most classes, you can hear a pin drop and every child is hanging on to every word! Magical and special times. This time encourages a love of reading, so an important part of our day.

The PTA have secured funding to construct our new library, which will be created in what was the ICT suite. This room will give the school more space for children to select books and will have a very special theme to it. This theme has been chosen by our Reading Ambassadors. We can't wait for it to be completed. If you have any spare time over the next few weekends and are able to decorate or do any DIY to support this project, I know that the PTA would be very pleased to hear from you: chair@knaphillschoolspta.org.uk

Have a wonderful weekend. See you on the gate on Monday.



Value of the month: COURAGE

Definition: Courage is having the strength to overcome challenge

What does courage look like:

The ability to face fear, pain, danger and uncertainty with strength, bravery and determination.

House Points Weekly Winner

Moving from 4th place to 1st this week, Rowling are our weekly winners.

1st Windsor

2nd Rowling

3rd Farrah

4th Attenborough

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Stars of the Week

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Year 3- Max S, Max R and Sara

Year 4- Lottie, Sienna and Frankie

Year 5- Sienna and Aoife

Year 6- Bailey, Riley and Will

Attendance Cup

A draw for first place this week - two Winners!
Well done to Sycamore and Maple classes.

TTRS Update!

With just under a week to go, the latest TTRS tournament scores mean the winner still could be any year group. Currently Year 6 are in the lead but with only 93 points between the leaders and fourth place, it could still be any year group's victory. The winner will be announced next Friday- if you want to win that additional break-time, get practising your times tables!

5th January - 18th January 2024

Year 6

117

Year 3

76

Year 4

53

Year 5

24

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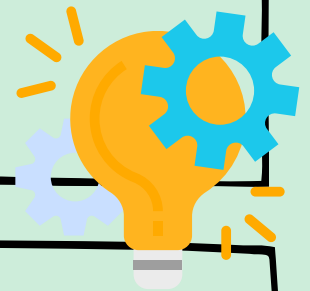
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Some of the tasks have been designed, so you can work on them as a family. You are welcome to try as many or as few of the activities as you wish.

Teachers have included activities that are of interest to children who learn in different ways. We really look forward to seeing what your creative and imaginative children produce.

There are activities that will appeal to budding artists, chefs, engineers and writers.

Copies of the Family Learning for each year group can be found on Google Classroom and a copy will also be emailed home.



Teacher Book Recommendation

In this week's Reading Assembly, Mrs Humphrey-Calgia's favourite book was shared. *The Boy Who Made the World Disappear* is by Ben Miller, who you may know through his TV and film roles.

This book tells the story of Harrison, who is given a black hole instead of a balloon at a party. Harrison jumps at the chance to get rid of everything that makes him cross. But when it's not just things he hates that are disappearing into the black hole but things he loves, too, Harrison starts to realise that sometimes you should be careful what you wish for...

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Reading Ambassadors

We are proud Reading Ambassadors and we want to tell you about the Knaphill Junior School Community Library.

We are really excited about our Community Library and we will be keeping it stocked with great books.

We think that everyone should have a chance to read. This is set up so that you can pass on a good book you have enjoyed or take one to read at home.

We think you will love the Community Library as much as we do!

Amelie and Ariyanna



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Recommended Reading Books

Year 3

A Monster Ate My Packed Lunch! - Chapter Book

Hilarious, illustrated school-based antics where everything that happens leads to DRAMA and RUNNING AROUND and even some FAINTING! Izzy and her friends are on a school trip to a big lake. Gary Petrie is excited because the lodges where they're staying have ROBES AND SLIPPERS! The lake is dark and deep and a bit scary. But it's when they open their packed lunches that they know! There's a MONSTER in the lake and it's coming for their CRISPS! Laugh-out-loud fun from Blue Peter Award winners Pamela Butchart and Thomas Flintham.



Year 4

Song of the Dolphin Boy

Elizabeth Laird - Chapter book

This story from award-winning author Elizabeth Laird is a great choice for KS2. When young Finn takes a dive in the water near his fishing village, he is delighted to find dolphins to swim with. However, the dolphins face a terrible threat due to the masses of rubbish floating around in their water. It is up to Finn to find a way to save the sea creatures and prevent their natural environment from becoming ruined. This is a topical and thought-provoking novel. readable' and dyslexia-friendly style, this is an accessible read for children in KS2.



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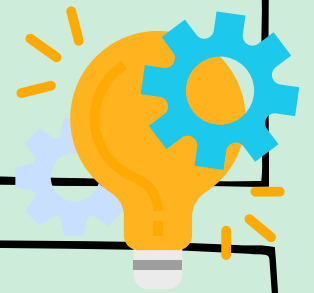
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Recommended Reading Books

Year 5

The Breakfast Club Adventures Marcus Rashford

Chapter book

The Breakfast Club Adventures is the first fiction book by England International footballer, child food-poverty campaigner and #1 bestselling author Marcus Rashford MBE, inspired by Marcus's own experiences growing up! Written with Alex Falase-Koya, it is the third title in the Marcus Rashford Book Club and is packed with tons of illustration throughout and is the perfect book for children aged 8-11. There's something fishy going on at school . . . When twelve-year-old Marcus kicks his favourite football over the school fence, he knows he's never getting it back. Nothing that goes over that wall ever comes back. But the next morning during Breakfast Club Marcus gets a mysterious note inviting him to join the Breakfast Club Investigators, and he is soon pulled into an exciting adventure with his new mates to solve the mystery and get his football back!

Year 6

Nevermoor - Jessica Townsend

Chapter book

Enter the Wondrous world of Morrigan Crow and Nevermoor - the start of a fantastical children's series. Morrigan Crow is cursed. Having been born on Eventide, the unluckiest day for any child to be born, she's blamed for all local misfortunes, from hailstorms to heart attacks -and, worst of all, the curse means that Morrigan is doomed to die at midnight on her eleventh birthday. But as Morrigan awaits her fate, a strange and remarkable man named Jupiter North appears. Chased by black-smoke hounds and shadowy hunters on horseback, he whisks her away into the safety of a secret, magical city called Nevermoor. It's then that Morrigan discovers Jupiter has chosen her to contend for a place in the city's most prestigious organisation: the Wondrous Society. Perfect for fans of the Harry Potter series and His Dark Materials, this series takes readers into an extraordinary world, setting hope and imagination alive.



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

Date	Event	Year Group
Thursday 4th January / Monday 8th January / Monday 15th January	Tudors Workshop - This event is happening over 3 days year 5 children will attend once.	Year 5
Wednesday 24th January	Year 6 meeting for parents about Stone Farm - 3:30pm Elder Classroom	Year 6
Monday 5th - Friday 9th February	Year 4 Bikeability	Year 4
Monday 5th - Sunday 11th February	Children's Mental Health Week	All
Thursday 8th February	Theatre Trip	Year 6
Monday 12th - Friday 16th February	Half Term	All
Monday 19th February	INSET	All
Monday 26th - Wednesday 28th February	Residential Trip	Year 4
Monday 4th March	Book Week Event	All
Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March	Book Week (Thursday 7th March - World Book day)	All
Sunday 10th March	Mother's Day	

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Monday 11th - Friday 15th March	Science Week	All
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day	All
Monday 18th - Friday 22nd March	Opportunity for Parents and Guardians to view children's books - 3:30pm Day for each year group TBC	All
Tuesday 19th - Friday 22nd March	Residential	Year 6
Tuesday 26th March and Wednesday 27th March	Parents' Evening	All
Wednesday 27th March	SEND Passports sent home	
Thursday 28th March	Book Swap - Spring Term	All
Thursday 28th March	Last Day of Spring Term - Finish at 1:15pm	All



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HOW TO DONATE

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(use glass door down side passage)

1-2pm on these dates:

20 Jan & 17 Feb 2024

Can't make those dates?

email us to arrange another time