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# Knaphill Junior School Weekly Update



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## This Month's Focus Value: Curiosity

### A note from Mrs Harrison:

This term has been such a successful one. We have seen two year groups go on residentials, the boys' and girls' football teams have been representing the school in competitions against local schools, we have had Science Week, Book Week and our termly book swap took place today and our new library has been created and officially opened.

Thank you to all of our parents and guardians who shared their thoughts and views in our recent survey. I have been blown away with the amount of responses, which saw an increase of 226%! Thank you.

94% of you report that your child is happy at this school, which is a joy to hear and what we work so hard to achieve. If children are happy then they can learn and thrive. From the survey, it is clear that some people are unsure what 'wider personal development' is and how the school supports our children with this. Read on further on page three for a clearer definition.

I wish you all a restful Easter holiday.

See you on the gate on Monday 15th April.

### Value of the month: Curiosity

**Definition:** Curiosity means: The desire to learn and know.

#### What does curiosity look like:

To really listen, so that we find out, ask lots questions, are willing to be wrong, and we are not afraid to say, "I don't know."

### House Points Weekly Winner

Due to the shorter school week, house points will rollover to the first week back after the Easter break.



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## Stars of the Week

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Year 3- Rose, Alfie and Hritvik

Year 4- Emilia, Myla and Logan G

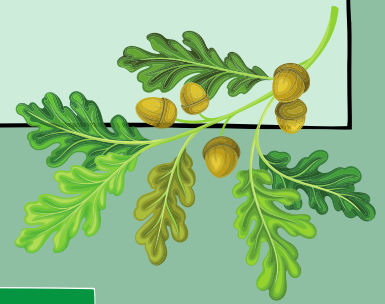
Year 5- Tate and Connor

Year 6- Tabitha, Jack M and Amelia A

## Attendance Cup

The winners of the attendance cup this week are Oak Class.

Well done Oak Class, with a near perfect score of 99.5%



## TTRS- UPDATE!

We've seen an incredible effort in the latest TTRS competitions! Well done to every child who has joined in to earn points for their year group.

Congratulations to Year 6 who despite their residential managed to win their tournament against Year 5. Both Year 3 and 4 put a fantastic effort into their battle and Year 4 just got there with a brilliant score of over a thousands points! Enjoy your additional break-times.

The new tournaments begin on Friday and run until the second week back-this allows Year 5 plenty of time to join in before and after their residential visit. Our new competitions will see all Year 3 classes take on the Year 4 classes to see which individual class is the champion times tabler of the lower part of the school. At the same time, all Year 5 and 6 classes will be battling to find the class with the greatest number of points. Get practising your times tables and your class could win that additional break-time!

8th March - 28th March 2024

Year 6 552 Year 5 131

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Year 4 1157 Year 3 886

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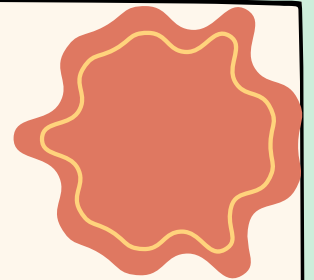
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### Personal Development



#### WHAT IS PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT?

Personal development at Knaphill School promotes the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils.

It is how we prepare our children for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life.

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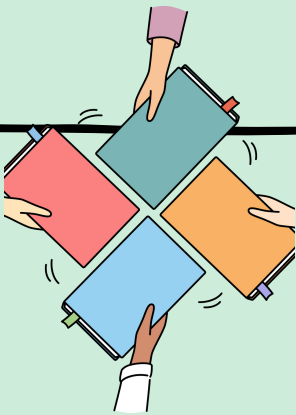
## Spring Term - Book Swap

Today we held our second Book Swap of the year.

The children delighted in visiting the Book Swap, perusing the books and making their selections.

A huge thank you to everyone generously donated a book to be swapped.

The children are excited about reading their new books over the Easter break.



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## Stone Farm 2024



Year 6 had the most wonderful time at Stone Farm last week.

Between caring for the animals at the farm, visiting the aquarium and the Eden Project, and spending lots of quality time with friends, our children embraced all the experiences of the week. Our year 6 children were a credit to Knaphill School from start to finish. As always we were incredibly proud of them all!

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## Celebrating Success

In our last Celebration Assembly of the Spring term we recognised the achievements of our fabulous children.

We are so proud of you!



The Science Week Competition  
Winners.

The Spring Term  
Presentation Winners.



The Primary Mathematics Challenge  
Award Winners.



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## Well Done



Congratulations to Jasmine was awarded her level 6 certificate at Prime Acrobatics.

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## Recommended Reads

Something a bit different this week for our Recommended Reads section - Magazines and Newspapers aimed at Key Stage 2 children.

7-12 years

First News

Although there are more sources of news than ever before, many are heavily biased, unreliable, or more concerned with clicks than being correct. First News is an independently-owned, non-partisan newspaper written especially for children. For more than fifteen years we have been reporting the news to children, listening to their views and campaigning on their behalf. It is our goal to equip children with an enriched knowledge of the world and the fundamental reading, writing and oracy skills they need to succeed throughout school and beyond.



8 years plus

Aquila



Discover a trail-blazing, independent children's magazine for curious readers of 8 - 14 years. AQUILA children's magazine provides parents with a valuable resource to support their child's learning and curiosity. The magazine offers educational content in an engaging and entertaining format, fostering a love for reading and exploration. AQUILA covers a variety of subjects, encourages critical thinking, and promotes creativity, making it a wholesome addition to a child's developmental journey.



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8-14 years

The Week - Junior

The Week Junior is designed and written by experts to get kids to fall in love with reading & learning. It's packed full of science, nature, animals to discover, role models to meet, amazing places, and ideas for things to make and do.

It's a brilliant way to:

- Spark their natural curiosity in the world around them
- Help them see different viewpoints - and form opinions of their own
- Boost their confidence as they grow their understanding
- Get them reading, talking and thinking - and passionate about sharing what they learn!



7-12 years

National Geographic Kids

National Geographic Kids magazine gets young explorers excited about a world full of adventure! Each educational, fun-filled issue delights children with fascinating features and games about nature, science, geography and history.

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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 15th April	First Day of Summer Term	All
Monday 15th April	SEND Parent Meetings	
Wednesday 17th-Friday 19th April	Year 5 Residential	Year 5
Friday 26th April	Year 5 Ancient Greek Day	Year 5
Monday 6th May	May Day Bank Holiday	All
Monday 13th - Friday 17th May	Key Stage 2 SATs	Year 6
Friday 17th May	SATS Pizza Party	Year 6
Monday 27th - Friday 31st May	May Half Term	All
Monday 3rd - Friday 14th June	Multiplication Check Window	Year 4
Thursday 20th June	Year 6 - The Apprentice	Year 6

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Tuesday 2nd July	Celebration of Year's Work - Parents and Guardians invited into classrooms	All
Thursday 4th July	Sports Day	All
Wednesday 10th July and Thursday 11th July	Year 6 Summer Productions to Parents - Evening	Year 6
Thursday 18th July	Year 6 Leavers' BBQ	Year 6
Tuesday 23rd July	Last Day of Summer Term - Finish at 1:15pm	All