

Kingstone and Thruxton Newsletter

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Thank you all so much for your flexibility this week whilst our building project got underway! I know that there has been some disruption to parking, but we're really excited with the changes underway, which will make such a difference to our school.

It has also been a busy week in Reception, where the children have been learning about, and celebrating, Chinese New Year. They have really enjoyed making dragon masks in Forest School and tasting noodles at snack time!

Year 3 have had an exciting week exploring volcanoes, whilst building on their prior knowledge of earthquakes and tectonic plates. In Forest School, they got very hands on with their learning, bringing it to life by creating volcanic eruptions using bicarbonate of soda, vinegar and red food colouring—with explosive results! They also constructed model volcanoes with a cut-away section to explore what they look like inside. Fabulous!

It was so lovely to welcome local schools to Kingstone on Wednesday, for a brilliant afternoon of sport at a netball tournament. Our children were brilliant representatives of our school and were praised for their sportsmanship and positive attitudes throughout the tournament. A huge well done to Miss Exley for putting together the event—we are looking forward to more cross-school tournaments in the future.

And finally, a huge thank you to our community-spirited Young Hopefuls for organising a litter pick today! They are so busy and have such a positive impact on our school.

With best wishes for a lovely weekend,

Elissa Vigus
Headteacher



Stars of the Week

Reception - Cobie for his enthusiasm and team-work in PE.

Oscar for his fantastic efforts and enthusiasm for his 'Great Race' writing.

Year 1 - Camille for being a phonics superstar in our lessons and always trying your best.

Arthur for always following our school rules (Be ready, be safe, be respectful)

Year 2 - Daisy for her exceptional focus in her phonics lessons.

Poppy for always displaying our school rules of ready, respectful and safe.

Year 3 - Ben for fantastic work in Maths this week.

Olha for fantastic contributions all week.

Year 4 - Sienna for impressing all the adults with the way she listened to and took on board, all advice given in her swimming lessons.

Harper for showing such optimism and positivity in all she does this half term. She has a true, 'I can do this!' mindset!

Year 5 - Lily for great attention to detail when painting in our art lessons.

Rhiley for fantastic research on Greek mythical creatures.

Year 6 - Izzy for excellent progress in her arithmetic and great attitude towards learning.

Max for excellent arithmetic progress.



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

3rd - 9th February

This year, Children's Mental Health Week is focusing on
KNOW YOURSELF, GROW YOURSELF'



Place2Be's
CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK
3-9 FEB 2025

When we take notice of ourselves and how we feel, we are able to make better choices and be more connected with our feelings and behaviours. Noticing these things can help us recognise when we need support.

Value This Term

OPTIMISM

Today is
a great day
to learn
something
new



| Calendar of Events | |
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| FEBRUARY | |
| 3rd | Year 3 Forest School Year 1 PE |
| 3rd-9th | Children's Mental Health Week |
| 4th | Reception PE Year 6 PE Year 4 Cross School Maths Competition |
| 5th | Year 4 Swimming Year 5 PE |
| 6th | Reception Outdoor Learning Year 2 PE Year 3 PE Year 4 PE |
| 7th | Year 4 showcase |

Good Choice
Gordon Award!
This week's winner
is.....
Year 4

boom reader
The winners this week
are....
Lilly
Oscar

NUMBOTS
The Infant winners this
week:
Juno

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS
The winners this week are....
Angel
Arthur