KING'S NORTHWAY
PRIMARY ACADEMY

KNPA Newsletter

11.9.26



HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

It has been a wonderful first week at King's Northway, and I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all of our new Reception children and their families. Starting school is such an important milestone, and we have been delighted to see how confidently the children are beginning to settle into their new routines, classrooms and friendships.

This week, our senior leaders also completed the first learning walk of the new academic year. It was a real pleasure to visit classrooms across the school and see children so engaged, enthusiastic and ready to learn. What stood out most was the calm, purposeful atmosphere and the blossoming relationships between pupils, their friends and their teachers.

Thank you to our staff for creating such welcoming and nurturing environments, and to our families for your continued support. We are very excited about the year ahead and all that our children will achieve together.

Mr Newton

EYFS

In EYFS this week, we have been enjoying our class book, The Gruffalo, and using it as inspiration for our writing. In Reception, the children have been mark making their names and drawing portraits, developing early writing skills with great enthusiasm. In maths, we have been singing counting songs and practising counting the children in our class, helping to build confidence with numbers in a fun and familiar way. Across our wider curriculum, we have also been learning how to use the art easel, exploring new tools and techniques with growing independence. It has been a lovely week of learning, creativity and discovery, with the children showing curiosity and pride in their work.

YEAR 1

In Year 1 this week, we have been immersed in our new story, Old Bear, and the children have enjoyed exploring the text together through writing. Their enthusiasm has helped bring the story to life as they settled into this exciting new unit. In maths, Year 1 have been busy counting, reading and writing numbers to 10, building confidence with these important early number skills. Across our foundation learning, we have also been introduced to our new artist, Sarah Morris, giving the children the chance to begin discovering her work and ideas. It has been a wonderful week of learning, with Year 1 showing curiosity and enjoyment across all areas of the curriculum.

YEAR 2

In Year 2 this week, we have been enjoying our learning across the curriculum. In writing, we have been exploring the book The River, where the children have looked closely at alliteration and asked thoughtful questions about the text. In maths, Year 2 have been building their understanding of place value to 100, using different strategies to partition numbers into tens and ones. Across our foundation learning, we have been focusing on PSHE and talking about what makes a good listener. The children have been thinking carefully about how to follow instructions and listen respectfully to their friends and adults. It has been wonderful to see their growing confidence in all of their learning this week.

YEAR 3

In Year 3 this week, we have enjoyed beginning our new vehicle text, The Iron Man, by making predictions, exploring setting descriptions and widening our vocabulary. In writing, the children have shown great curiosity as they thought carefully about what might happen next and how the setting helps bring the story to life. In maths, Year 3 have been developing their understanding of place value by recognising the value of a single digit in numbers up to 100 using different representations. In PSHE, we have been thinking about how to recognise and talk about a range of emotions, as well as exploring strategies that support our mental wellbeing.



YEAR 4

In Year 4 this week, we have enjoyed exploring The Whale in our writing lessons, developing our understanding through this engaging text. In maths, Year 4 have been working hard on place value and practising their times tables, building confidence and fluency in their number skills. Across our foundation learning, we have thought carefully about safe adults in PSHE, helping us to understand who we can turn to for support. In geography, our fieldwork has given Year 4 the opportunity to learn more practically and observe the world around us. It has been a purposeful and well-rounded week of learning, and we are proud of the children's focus and enthusiasm.



YEAR 5

In Year 5 this week, we have been making thoughtful progress across our learning. In writing, we explored ambitious vocabulary in our new text, Farther, developing our understanding of how words can shape meaning and create impact. In maths, Year 5 have been learning all about place value, working confidently with numbers up to 5 and 6 digits. Across our foundation learning, we have enjoyed building our knowledge in geography by learning compass directions, while in PSHE we explored substances. We also began our new fashion design topic by learning about our new artist, Vivienne Westwood. It has been a busy and engaging week of discovery, discussion and learning.



YEAR 6

In Year 6 this week, we have been making excellent progress across our learning. In writing, we have looked closely at clues to help us make predictions about our new book, and we also wrote our own storm-themed poem about being at sea, using powerful onomatopoeia to bring the scene to life. In maths, Year 6 have been deepening their understanding of place value by exploring 8-digit numbers. Across our foundation learning, we have been studying our new architect in Art, Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, and looking at some of his impressive buildings, including Liverpool Cathedral and Battersea Power Station. It has been a thoughtful and engaging week of learning, and the children should be very proud of their efforts.





Key Messages and Reminders

Trips

Y6 Moel Famau on Monday/Y5 Delamere Forest on Tuesday - Children should wear sensible, weather-appropriate clothing.

Y6 University Trip Tuesday - Children should wear full uniform.

Y4 Swimming Tuesday - Please ensure children have their coats.

Reading Records Y1, 2 and 3 - Please return on a Tuesday Y4, 5 & 6 - Please return on a Thursday.

Uniform - Please ensure all children have a King's Northway tie on every day, no trainers and that all uniform is clearly labelled.

EYFS - Please connect to Seesaw.





Attendance and Punctuality Updates

Our School Attendance Target



Our Whole School Attendance This Week

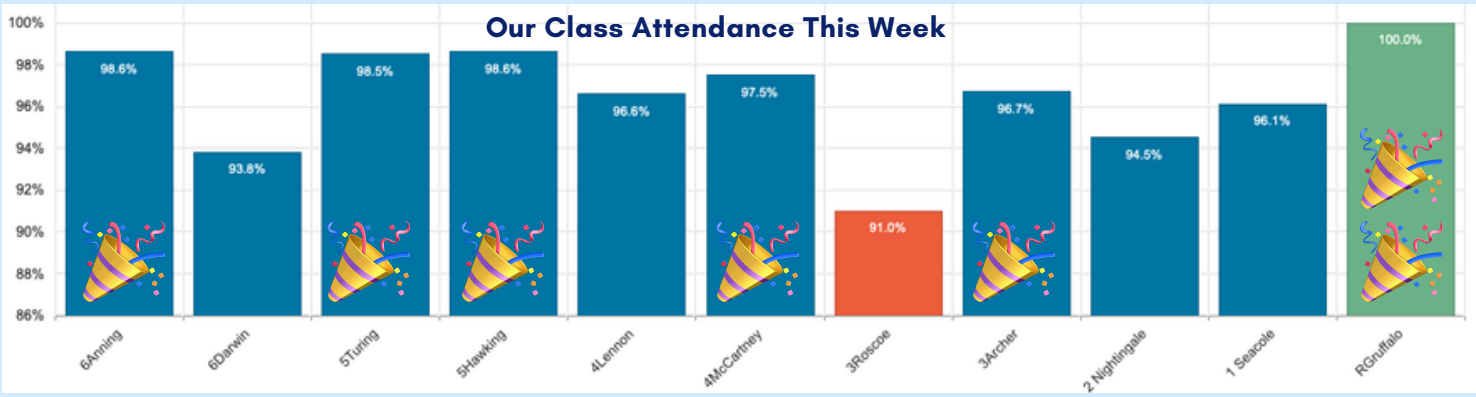
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Thank you to all our families who continue to support excellent attendance and punctuality. Department for Education research shows a clear link between regular attendance and stronger attainment—every day in school supports children's learning, friendships and wellbeing.

Please remember to contact the school office on My Child At School before 8:50am if your child is absent and provide a reason for their absence.



Our Class Attendance This Week



Key Dates For the Diary

14/9/26	Year 6 Hiking Hero Trip - Moel Famau	Year 4 swimming lesson Year 5 Hiking Heroes Trip - Delamere Forest Year 6 University Space Trip		Y6 Family Learning- 2.15pm Life in Year 6 preparation. **Children are not involved**	
21/9/26		Year 4 swimming lesson		Y2 Family Learning- 2.15pm. **Children are not involved**	
28/9/26		Year 4 swimming lesson		Y5 Family Learning- 2.15pm. **Children are not involved**	





PHOTOS FROM THIS WEEK...





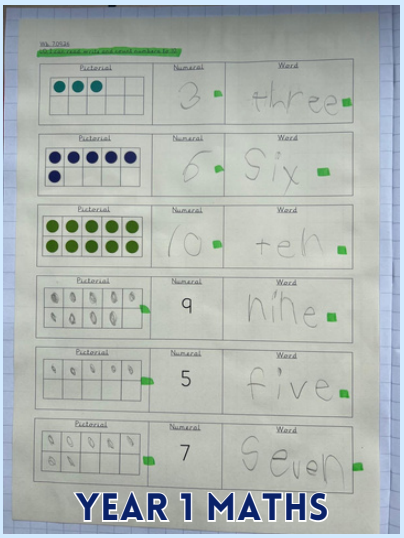
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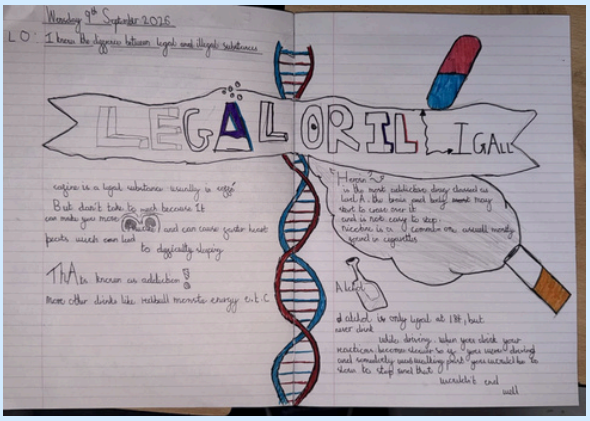
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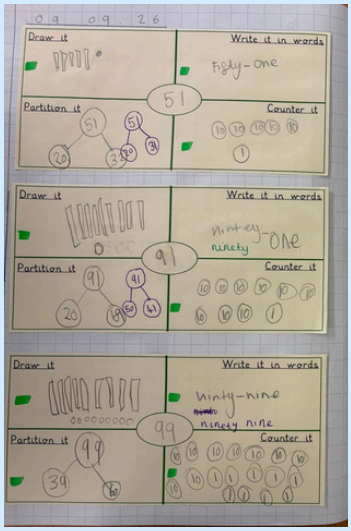
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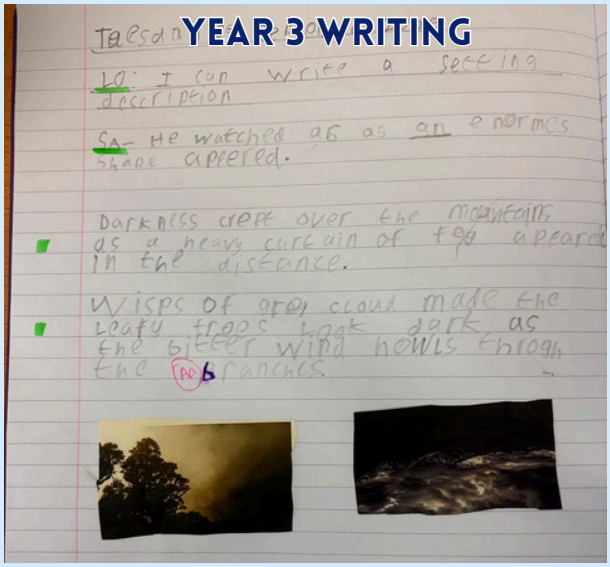
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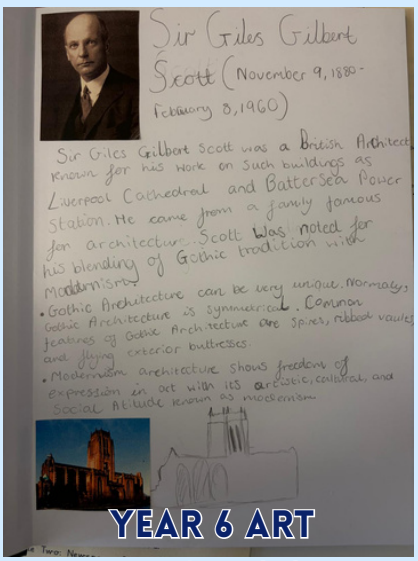


YEAR 5 PSHE



YEAR 3 MATHS





YEAR 6 ART SKETCHBOOK