

Kennet Valley Primary School

Newsletter

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*Inspiring each other
to learn together*

Dear parents, carers and pupils,

Welcome back!

We have had a wonderful start to the new school year and it has been fantastic to see the school full of energy, enthusiasm and smiling faces once again. The children have returned ready to learn and have quickly settled back into their routines, making an excellent start to the autumn term.

A Special Welcome to Reception

We would like to give a particularly warm welcome to our new Reception children and their families. Starting school is a huge milestone and we have been incredibly proud of how well our newest pupils have adapted to school life. The children have quickly learnt new routines, made new friends and embraced all of the exciting opportunities that their first few weeks at school have brought. It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow each day, and they have impressed staff with their enthusiasm, resilience and willingness to try new things. We are delighted with the way they have settled into full days at school and look forward to watching them continue to thrive throughout the year.

Year 5 Residential Adventure

This week, our Year 5 pupils have had 2 nights away on their residential visit to Ufton Court, enjoying a range of exciting activities and memorable experiences. Please be prepared for tired smiles, endless stories and a washing basket that may need a holiday of its own afterwards! We look forward to hearing all about their adventures and sharing some of their experiences with the wider school community when they return.

Looking Ahead

As we move further into the term, we are excited about the many learning opportunities, events and experiences planned for our pupils. Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we can ensure every child has a happy, successful and rewarding year at school.

We look forward to sharing more news and celebrating our children's achievements with you throughout the term.

Reminders

Please ensure your children's clothes, lunch boxes and water bottles are named so they can be returned.

We have already collected a significant quantity of un-named items of clothing in just a few weeks! Please also ensure your child's water bottle is non-metal and only contains water. No squash or juice please!

PE kit should be worn on PE days and all jewellery should be removed for PE – including earrings. If your child is unable to remove these themselves, please support them to remove them at home before coming to school on PE days.

PTA

The PTA are on the look out for new volunteers! Please follow this link to complete the form to show your interest in supporting the PTA. Any help is appreciated!

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/i1Tup7NXWV>

With best wishes,

Mrs Beechey and all the Kennet Valley team.

Key Dates for the Diary

September

Fri 25th Sep – Farm Visit to school (all year groups)

October

Mon 5th – Fri 9th October – Year 6 Grittleton Adventures

Thurs 15th Oct – Individual and sibling photos

Thurs 15th Oct – PTA Disco

Tues 20th Oct – Flu Vaccinations

Thurs 22nd Oct – Parents Evening

Fri 23rd Oct – INSET day – School closed to children

Mon 26th – 30th Oct – Half Term

November

Fri 13th Nov – PTA Donut Friday

December

Thurs 3rd Dec – PTA Christmas Film Night

Wed 9th Dec – Christmas Lunch

Fri 18th Dec – End of term