



King's Court First School

A School for Children

Caring, Sharing and Learning Together

Autumn Term Issue 5



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school! We hope you had a wonderful half term filled with **spooky treats and sparkling fireworks**. It's lovely to see everyone back and ready for a busy and exciting few weeks ahead. Here are some pictures from our Diwali assembly in school led by Mrs Sharma where the children enjoyed learning about the festival of Diwali.



 **Odd Socks Day – Monday 10th November** (full poster on page 11)

We're kicking off **Anti-Bullying Week** with **Odd Socks Day** on Monday! This fun and meaningful event celebrates individuality and kindness. All children (and staff!) are invited to wear **odd socks** to school to show that it's okay to be different and that we all belong.

Odd Socks Day is supported by **Andy Day** from CBeebies and his band *Andy and the Odd Socks*, and it's a great way to start conversations about respect, inclusion, and celebrating what makes each of us unique. The theme this year is **"Power for Good"**, encouraging children to use their voices and actions to support others and stand up against bullying. [[anti-bullying...nce.org.uk](http://anti-bullying-nce.org.uk)]

 **Children in Need – Friday 14th November**

We're also looking forward to **Children in Need** on Friday. We will be selling Pudsey ears for £2 from Tuesday 11th November. If you would like to purchase Pudsey ears, please send the money in a named envelope and give to your teacher. We do have limited stock so please get your envelopes in. On Friday 14th November we are inviting children to come to school wearing spots and bring in £1.

 **Homework Policy Update**

Thank you to all parents who shared feedback on our homework approach. We're nearly ready to share our **revised homework policy**, and we'll be introducing an **optional homework page** on the school website to support learning at home in a flexible and engaging way. A letter detailing this will be shared with everyone in a few week's time.

Wishing you all a **wonderful weekend**, and thank you as always for your continued support.

Mrs. Pye-Beraet
Headteacher

WHAT ARE THE CHILDREN LEARNING ABOUT THIS WEEK?

This week in Team Magic:

What an exceptionally busy week the Robins have had! They are continuing their hard work in phonics as they are ploughing through Set 1 sounds. The children have experienced 'talk for writing' as they have delved into the wonderful story of The Room on the Broom.

Our little people have had a great time hunting for shapes around the school! Well, done, Robins, a great start to the term.

This week in Team Believe:

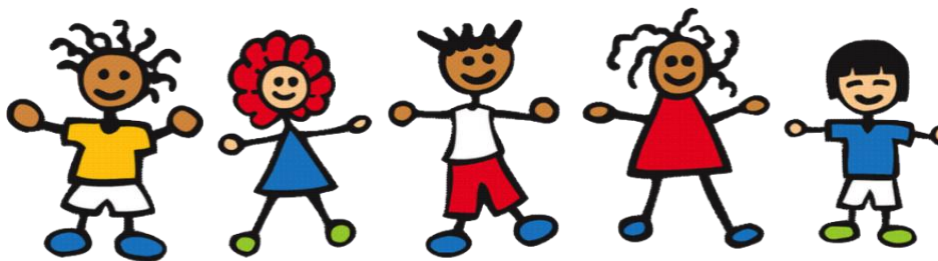
This week in Hedgehogs we have been introducing ourselves to instructions. We have looked at instructions and decided how they work. As mathematicians we have explored subtraction in different ways. The children worked on finding the solution. As scientists we have looked at animals throughout the world. We have found what animals do.

As writers, Squirrels, have started their new topic 'Instructions', where the children have been very excited to follow written instructions to carry out a practical task of creating a 'hopper popper'. As mathematicians we have been consolidating strategies to enable children to cross ten in numbers. As historians we have explored significant events in the past such as The Great Fire of London and The Plague.

This week in Team Inspire:

This week in Owls as mathematicians we have been practicing column addition and subtraction. In the next few weeks, we will be focusing on 'regrouping' in hundreds. In English we have been busy writing and following instructions about how to play a board game. In history the children are very much looking forward to learning about Ancient Egypt.

In Deer Class the children have shown much interest and engagement when learning about Instructions in their English lesson. They have followed verbal and written instructions to draw portraits and create firework pictures. In mathematics the children have shown increasing confidence to use the column method to subtract and add using regrouping/no regrouping. In Science, much enthusiasm was displayed when deep diving into Habitats!



Children's Corner

Celebrate Being You – Odd Socks Poster Activity

Instructions:

1. Design a Poster

Create a colourful poster that celebrates what makes you *unique*. You can include:

- A drawing of yourself wearing odd socks
- Words that describe your personality (e.g., kind, funny, creative)
- Things you love (e.g., hobbies, favourite books, foods, pets)
- A message about kindness or standing up to bullying

Local Parkrun for Children

Mr. Park has kindly made us aware of an initiative that links junior schools to their local junior parkrun.

(<https://blog.parkrun.com/uk/2025/09/12/park-run-primary-initiative/>)

I thought it might be of interest to you given your own running prowess. My daughter Effie Park runs in either the Salt Hill, Slough or the Saville Garden (this one is only monthly sadly) Junior Parkrun every Sunday and she absolutely loves it.

Upcoming Calendar Dates

November Anti-Bullying Wear Odd Socks

10
Mon 2025

November Children In Need

14
Fri 2025

November Year Bikeability

17
Mon 2025

November School Photos Individuals/Siblings and Staff

17
Mon 2025
09:15 to 12:00

November Prospective Parents Meeting 1.30pm

25
Tue 2025

December KS1 Dress rehearsal Christmas Performance 9am

2
Tue 2025

December KS2 Dress rehearsal Christmas Performance 10.30am

3
Wed 2025

December KS1 Christmas Performance Morning 9am and Evening Performance 5-5.45pm

3
Wed 2025

December KS2 Christmas Performance Morning 9am and Evening Performance 5-5.45pm

4
Thu 2025



Congratulations to our top table 23/11/2025 – 7/11/2025



Important Information



Have you tried the myHappyMind Parent App?

As you know, our school uses myHappyMind to help children understand how their brain works and develop habits that build confidence, resilience and lifelong skills.

We are encouraging all parents to sign up to the free Parent App that lets you:

- See what your child is learning in class
- Do simple, fun activities together at home
- Explore the Kids Zone with games and wellbeing tools
- Support your child's confidence, resilience, and mental health in everyday life

To find out more visit: <https://myhappymind.lpages.co/myhappymind-parent-app-introduction/>

To get started:

To access these materials just go to <https://myhappymind.org/parent-resources> to create your free account or simply scan the QR code below. You will need to enter your name, email, and authentication code.

Your authentication code is XXXXXX

Replace the X's with your school's 6-digit URN

URN Number: 109827

Once you have created your account, you will receive an email with the next steps on downloading the app.

We really encourage you to make use of this free content so that you can support your child in getting the best out of the curriculum.

If you have any questions about myHappyMind, please contact your class teacher.

The myHappyMind programme is made possible via an educational grant from Well Windsor, a local parent-led charity connecting our community to help children thrive. Follow @wellwindsor on Instagram and Facebook to see their work supporting children's wellbeing

UPCOMING DATES

Children's Book Week Challenge & Second-hand Book Sale

Friday 7th November



Christmas Lunch

Friday 19th December

Volunteers needed to help decorate the hall ahead of Christmas lunch ~10.30am



Nature Garden

Volunteers needed to help renovate the Nature Garden



Christmas Jumper Swap Shop

Friday 5th December

Volunteers needed to help sell jumpers from 3pm



Christmas Raffle

Friday 19th December

Volunteers needed to reach out to local businesses for raffle prizes, and to make up hampers ahead of Friday 19th December



Festive Bake Sale

Friday 28th November 3pm

Volunteers needed to bake and also sell from 3pm



Santa Dash

Friday 12th December 9am

Volunteers needed to sell teas and coffees at event from 9am



Father Christmas

We are looking for recommendations or a volunteer for a Father Christmas to attend school for the children to meet

If you are able to volunteer at any of the events, please contact Grace Bonham (Alfie's Mum, Year 3, Freddie's Mum, Reception - or Catherine Gray, Harry's Mum Year 2. Alternatively, you can let the school office know.

As ever, the success of our group and its fundraising efforts is driven by the pool of amazing volunteers who offer their time and support. If you would like to get involved (in any way!), please do join our WhatsApp group to find out more.



Scan the QR code:



Well, done to all the children that took part today in the Children's Book Week Challenge, everyone is a winner.

Here are the children that came first in each class and received a very generous prize from The Friends of King's Court who organized the whole event.

Many thanks to Our Friends Of King's Court



A big Thank you to Mr. Madra, Mahan's Dad in Owl Class for donating these lovely garden tools for Robin Class



Thank
you!



**Old Windsor Preschool
Christmas Fair**

**12pm- 3pm at Kings
Court First School.**

Saturday 22nd November 2025

**Santas grotto, Raffle, Lots of
Stalls, Cakes, and much more.**

Please contact
oldwindsorpreschool@gmail.com if you would
like a stall

Old Windsor Preschool,
Kings Court First School, Ashbrook
Road, Old Windsor, SL4 2NE



Christmas Wreath Workshop

Wednesday 3rd December

6:30pm Arrival

7:00–9:00pm Wreath Making

£55 per person

(includes all wreath-making materials & festive food)

Join us for an evening of creativity, Christmas cheer, and joyful music as we bring the festive season to life!

Spaces are limited, so book early to secure your spot!

Please contact oldwindsorpreschool@gmail.com to book a space.

**Old Windsor Club, 46A St Lukes
Road, Old Windsor, SL4 2QJ**



Maidenhead Lions
Saturday 8th November
Christmas
Gift Market

No entry fee
donation only
Parking available

Christmas Gifts, Craft Stalls,
Tombola, Mystery Gift Bags ,
Refreshments.



St. Joseph's Parish Hall
Cookham Road, SL6 7EG
11.00 - 3.30pm

Maidenhead Lions are running a new event on Saturday 8th November 2025 from 11.00am to 3.30pm at St Josephs Parish Hall, Cookham Road, SL6 7EG. There will be no entry charge and parking is available at the hall. The hall is also within walking distance of the town centre.

The Tangent ladies group have planned tasty refreshments of filled rolls, homemade cakes along with tea, coffee and squash which will be available to purchase and enjoy in a seated area.

We have a wide variety of gift stalls which include: honey products; jams; sauces & chutneys; activity boxes for children; crochet & hand made items; 3D printed collectables; handmade rope gifts, watercolour and cards; Tropic skincare; vegan bath bombs and beauty products; resin creatures and gifts; jewellery and lots more all perfect for Christmas gifts.

Maidenhead Lions will be running a tombola for you to try your luck on and a mystery gift bag stall.

Please come along and support our new event. Why not arrange to meet your friends here for coffee or lunch and take your time to browse the wide variety of stalls as well as get ahead with some early Christmas shopping.

We do hope you can come along and join us. We look forward to seeing you there.

I didn't think I could...



...but now I am

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for more information

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This **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK** we are holding

ODD SOCKS DAY on MONDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2025



Come to school wearing your odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique!

If you're worried about bullying you can speak to ...

#OddSocksDay
#AntiBullyingWeek
#PowerForGood



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JOIN US FOR
**RE-CRAFTED CHRISTMAS: LITTLE ELVES
DROP AND SHOP WORKSHOP**

**DECEMBER 6TH, 2PM
DECEMBER 7TH, 10AM**

*Totally Tangerine Cookery, Nauticalia, Ferry Lane,
Shepperton.*



Give your kids a creative Christmas experience while you get your festive shopping done in peace! Children will transform pre-loved decorations and holiday odds and ends into beautiful creations.

FOR MORE INFO GO TO

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