



**KINSALE
JUNIOR SCHOOL**

**Weekly Parent
Bulletin**
WB 12.01.26

READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE

Diary dates:

SPRING TERM

Monday 12 January	Musical Theatre Group activity begins
Tuesday 13 January	Boomwhackers activity begins
Wednesday 14 January	CSF Multisports activity begins
12-15 January	Parents Evening - Times to be confirmed
Tuesday 20 January	Year 5 & 6 Football activity begins
WB 7 February	7Cs Meetings
16-20 February	Half-term holiday
Thursday 5 March	World Book Day
WB 9 March - day TBC	Friends of KJS Mother's Day shop
Tuesday 10 March	Class Photographs
Thursday 26 March	Friends of KJS Disco

MONDAY

TUESDAY

**Year 4 Swimming
Year 6 PE**

WEDNESDAY

Year 3 PE

THURSDAY

Year 4 PE

FRIDAY

Year 5 PE

Other news ...

Important information - please read

Happy New Year and welcome back to our first weekly bulletin of the spring term. I would like to begin by saying thank you for your assistance with making sure that the children arrived safely to school during the recent snowy weather. It was certainly not the start to the new term that we were expecting! Nonetheless, it is lovely to see everyone back in school.

The end of last term was so busy, with our festive celebrations. We also said a sad but very fond farewell to Mrs Amos and Mrs Carpenter. In addition to this we welcomed Miss Kelsey Wright to our team. Miss Wright will be covering the role of school secretary whilst Miss Atton is on maternity leave. We are delighted that she has joined the Kinsale team.

Boomwhackers & Musical Theatre Club

Please note that all pupils who requested a place in either Boomwhackers or Musical Theatre Club and completed the online form, have been allocated a place. Both clubs start this week.

Reporting absence

Please can we remind you of the importance of reporting your child's absence as early as possible on the day.

This is via the school absence line on 01603 425662, press 1 and leave your child's name, class and the reason that they are not in school. This saves the office calling to find out the reason for absence. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Illness

Please see the NHS guidance [here](#) regarding keeping children off school if they are ill.

Parking & Driving on site

Please do not drive onto or park on the school grounds when dropping off for breakfast club in the mornings. This is the time staff are arriving for work and need access to parking spaces. Please also be mindful when parking on Kinsale Avenue and Middletons Lane in the morning and after school. These are residential areas and driveways and footpaths need to be kept clear. This applies to everyone unless you have been issued with a parking permit by the school.

Healthy Lunches

We have noticed that some children do not have what is considered to be a balanced healthy lunch in their packed lunch box. In order for the children to feel 'full' and have the energy for learning throughout the afternoon they need to have a balanced lunch. Below is a link to the NHS Healthier Lunchboxes webpage. This includes recipes and tips on what should be included for a healthy and filling packed lunch.

[Lunchbox ideas and recipes – Healthier Families - NHS](#)

Allergy Awareness



As has been the case for a number of years, we aim to be a nut free school. This is due to severe allergies of some children in our school. Please help us to keep them safe by refraining from including nut products in your child's lunchbox. This includes whole nuts, nuts in cereal bars, peanut butter and Nutella.



We are now also asking for **no egg** in packed lunches, this is due to severe allergies, including airborne allergies, of children in our school. Please help us to keep them safe by refraining from including boiled eggs and egg mayonnaise in your child's snack and lunchbox.

Uniform

Please could we remind you all that our uniform is **black** skirts, shorts or trousers (no leggings), a **white shirt (no t-shirts or polo shirts)** and **royal blue** cardigan or jumper and a **tie**. Girls skirts must be of a modest length please. This also applies to the girls PE shorts, which must not be too short. They will be asked to wear an alternative if they deemed an inappropriate length. If you are having any difficulty in purchasing a uniform please come and speak to Miss Atton in the office, in the strictest confidence. Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on their PE day and swimming day. Long hair must be tied back for health and safety reasons. Please, please, please **name all items of school uniform** if you would like it returned to your child. The lost property box will be emptied every half term and put in the clothes collection charity box in the school foyer.

Road Safety

If your child cycles or scooters to school please can you discuss road safety with them. We have had a few reports of children not crossing roads safely. We would like to see children wearing safety helmets too please.