



READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE

Diary dates:

AUTUMN TERM 2026

After school activities begin	Monday 14 September
KJS 75th birthday celebration day	Thursday 17 September
75th birthday fete	Friday 18 September
Year 2 Open Evening	Monday 28 September
Harvest Festival	Wednesday 14 October
Last day of Autumn 1	Thursday 22 October
First day Autumn 2	Monday 2 November
Remembrance Day	Wednesday 11 November
FKJS Disco	Thursday 12 November
Children in Need Day	Friday 13 November
Flu Vaccinations	Monday 23 November
Dental screening	Friday 27 November
Year 6 Crucial Crew	Wednesday 9 December
Last day of Autumn Term	Friday 18 December

MONDAY

Year 6 PE

TUESDAY

Year 4 PE

WEDNESDAY

**Year 5 PE
6H Swimming**

THURSDAY

Year 3 PE

FRIDAY

6O Swimming

Other news ... Important information - please read

Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome to our first Parent Bulletin of the new academic year. First of all, we all hope that you have had a lovely summer break and enjoyed some time together as a family. It has been fantastic to see all the children back at school, looking extremely smart in their new uniforms.



This year is the 75th birthday of Kinsale Junior School. We have some lovely events planned to celebrate this milestone, the first being our 75th Birthday Fete on Friday 18 September. The fete will open at 2:00pm and the children will be organising and running stalls and games throughout the afternoon, until 4:00pm. We do hope that you will be able to join us for this special day.

Many children get hungry by mid-morning and we would always encourage them to bring a snack into school for

playtime. However, could we remind you that these should be deemed as healthy, ie. fruit, vegetables or cereal bars. Please do not provide your child with anything else as they may be asked to put it back into their bag or wait until lunchtime to eat it. Please see the information below about healthy lunches/snacks and our allergen requirements.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday.

Kind regards,

Mrs Robinson & Mrs Philpott

Illness/Reporting Absence

Please see the NHS guidance [here](#) regarding keeping children off school if they are ill. Please report absence via the school office either leave a message on the absence line or email to the school office. You can also report absence via ParentMail.

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. Staff will be checking parking passes at the bottom of the drive over the coming weeks.

Uniform

Please could we remind you all that our uniform is **black school shoes or trainer, 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, **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.

Healthy Lunches/snacks

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.

