KINSALE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Weekly Parent Bulletin
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Diary dates:

AUTUMN TERM 2026

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
Flu Vaccination catch-up	Thursday 3 December
Year 6 Crucial Crew	Wednesday 9 December
Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day	Wednesday 16 December
Last day of Autumn Term & non-uniform day	Friday 18 December

SPRING TERM 2027

Spring Term begins	Tuesday 5 January 2027

MONDAY	**Year 5 PE**
TUESDAY	**Year 4 PE**
WEDNESDAY	**Year 6 PE and 5M Swimming** **Rocksteady - PM**
THURSDAY	**Year 3 PE**
FRIDAY	**5F Swimming**

Other news ... Important information - please read



Remembrance Day

On Wednesday 11 November, as a school, we will be joining in with the national 2 minutes silence to honour members of the armed forces who have given their lives in the line of duty. The children will be learning about the meaning of this event during lessons this week.



Children in Need

A reminder that Friday is our non-uniform day for Children in Need. We are inviting pupils to come to school in non-uniform in exchange for a small donation to the Children in Need

fundraising campaign. We will share photos of our non-uniform day on social media on Friday. This year there is no specific theme but dressing up is always fun. You can keep it simple or go all out and wear your best fancy-dress outfit. We do encourage children to wear CIN t-shirts, headbands and get into the spirit of the day with their yellow or spotty clothing. Please keep outfits suitable and sensible for a day at school. Dressing up is not compulsory, so just non-uniform will be fine too.
We are confident that this year we can raise at least £1 per pupil at Kinsale Junior School, taking our target to over £200. You can donate online by following the unique school donation link below.
KJS Online donation link
Or by giving your child a small donation, preferably in an envelope, to bring to school on Friday, when they come to school in non-uniform. We will then add this amount to the online donation to help us reach our target of over £200.

IMPORTANT - please read carefully and action

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
This also applies to their snacks provided for mid morning break. Please provide fruit or vegetables or a cereal bar. No whole grapes due to choking risk. Grapes should be cut in half lengthways to avoid this risk.

Mental Health Support Team (MHST) – Supporting Children and Young People

The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) works with schools, children, young people, and families to promote positive mental health and emotional wellbeing. Our team provides evidence-based early intervention support for mild to moderate mental health difficulties, helping young people develop coping strategies and build resilience.

We work closely with school staff to deliver workshops, consultations, assemblies, and targeted interventions, ensuring that mental health support is accessible within the school environment. Our aim is to empower children and young people to thrive both emotionally and academically while supporting schools to develop a whole-school approach to wellbeing. If you would like to learn more about the support available through MHST, please speak to your school's MHST link practitioner.

Crossing patrol

Please note that we have been informed that there will be **no** crossing patrol on the following dates:
2nd November 2026 and 20th November 2026

Illness/Reporting Absence

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. Please see the NHS guidance here regarding keeping children off school if they are ill.

Uniform

Please could we remind you all that our uniform is **black school shoes or trainers, 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 Wright or 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 would like to see

children wearing safety helmets too please. We regularly receive reports from our community of children not crossing roads safely.

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 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.