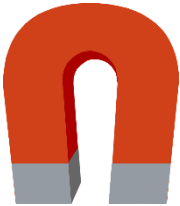




Kingfisher Class Parent Update Autumn 1 - 2025



Welcome back! We are settling back into school brilliantly and looking forward to a busy beginning to the year with lots of new learning and some new faces! We are hoping that the children are enjoying the new year and the exciting term ahead. Lots of things to look forward to this half term



Forces and magnets.

Our topic this half term is 'forces and magnets'. We will be looking at different types of forces. Much of our science work will link to our topic as we learn about the topic weather. We will be doing lots of investigating!

History/Geography

This half term we will be learning about toys and thinking about how they have changed over time. This links beautifully to our forces and magnets topic as most toys include using forces!

Next half term our *Geography* topic is all about climates, how they are changing and the different climates around the world.

In Maths we are going to be practising our counting and place value. To begin with we will revisit counting, singing songs and number formation. We will then look at the value of each digit in a number. In our lessons, we are developing our mathematical reasoning skills: when answering a question, we have to explain 'how we know' as this encourages us to use precise mathematical language to explain our answers.



This half term, we are going to continue using 'Numbots' and 'Mathletics' to help us to learn our number skills. The children have their own login and password. Each time we use this, we talk about the importance of keeping our passwords private. Some of the Kingfishers brought home their passwords for Mathletics. We will add Numbots too, once introduced in school.



In English this half term we are looking at the story of Stone Soup and recapping on the use of capital letters and full stops when writing instructions, as well as the importance of 'bossy/imperative verbs'.

In our ongoing learning tasks, we will continue to develop our phonological awareness skills. Alongside whole word reading activities, these will continue to be incorporated into our individual tasks each day.

This half term Kingfishers will receive a book to share with you at home. Please make sure it comes back with them each day. Books will be changed each Friday.

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This half term we will be looking at seasonal fruit and vegetables, identifying which is a fruit and which is a vegetable. We will be making our own autumnal soup, linking to the story of stone soup.

Religious Education

We are going to be learning the story of Creation and how God created the world and the beautiful things in it, including us!



Computing

This half term we are going to be looking at simple computer skills, ensuring we know how to turn a computer on and off safely, as well as using word to type documents. We will also be using Numbots and Mathletics in this time.

Music

We are VERY excited this term as we have Mr Watson, from the Suffolk music service, in to teach us the Ukulele! We will also be learning new songs together.



Personal, social and health education (PSHE).

This half term we will be learning about 'All about me' and how to recognise how we are feeling, what we do and how we treat others affects us and others.

Kingfishers will also start a new session to learn how to take care of themselves- by brushing hair and teeth in the afternoon. We would like to ask parents to send in a labelled hairbrush/comb, toothbrush and toothpaste to support us with this new journey.



Important Reminders about Kingfisher Class

FOREST SCHOOL- This is still on a Friday afternoon. Please bring all of your outdoor kit **labelled** to school each week. It is beginning to get very muddy in the forest school area so **wellies and waterproofs are a must, as well as a change of clothes.** As the weather gets colder and wetter, please ensure that your child has waterproofs and hats for Forest schools.

Mrs G, Miss Harmonie, Miss Abi and we welcome Mr Josh to the team.