



Our Learning Highlights

This half term, the **Foundation Stage children** been learning all about traditional tales. The children have looked closely at these stories though the use of role-play, music and crime scenes! It has also given the children an opportunity to build their confidence in using their phonics knowledge to write. The children have also loved exploring and observing our caterpillars throughout the term and were able to release the butterflies last week. In maths we have learnt all about numbers beyond 20 and explored sharing and grouping as well as continuing to consolidate their knowledge of phase 3 sounds and tricky words. Well done Pipits and Wagtails.



Year 1 and 2 have had fun being dinosaur hunters and finding out about Mary Anning & her fossil discoveries. Children met the challenge of using a running stitch to embellish a felt pouch. We are looking forward to explaining our local area in geography after half term.

Year 3 and 4 children have been busy studying The Victorians this half term. The focus has very much been about the differences between the rich and poor Victorian children, homes, work and education. We have also looked at inventions and thinking about what we can still see today that was built in the Victorian era. We have all been enjoying Tom's Midnight garden as a class text and the children have written their own time slip descriptions and stories linking their learning together through English and history.



Year 5 and 6 classes have enjoyed finding out about all the changes that happened during the Victorian period, especially what life was like for Victorian children and some of the awful jobs they were made to do! The children have been playing lots of cricket this term with our girls enjoying a coaching afternoon at Long Sutton Cricket Club and our Year 5/6 team coming second in the CLP tournament. Our sports captains also led a cricket festival for Goldfinches' and Puffins' classes and all the KS2 children have been practising for sports day in their PE lessons.



Osmington Residential Trip

Year 5 recently attended the residential trip to Osmington Bay, where they took part in outdoor pursuits.

Year 6 are off to Osmington after the half term break and we look forward to hearing all about their adventures.

Musical Theatre

We were delighted that Image Musical Theatre were able to return and perform 'The Selfish Giant' for KS2 children last week, after the cancellation of the show at Christmas due to flooding. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance.

Outdoor Area Development

We hope that the children are enjoying playing with the new equipment at break times. The equipment, which includes den making toys, was purchased by the PTFA to help enhance the children's experiences outside.



We are in the planning stages of developing an area of our field to create **Forest School** provision in September. We will keep you updated with progress about this exciting venture.

Community Day On Saturday 8th June: We are looking for help to weed our raised flowerbeds on the field, so that the children can grow plants and vegetables. We are also asking for donations of car tyres and suitable paint that we can use to decorate the tyres which will be made into planters and put outside the classrooms. **Any tyre donations to be brought to school from Monday 3rd June please.** The community day will begin at 9.30am on 8th June and we will provide bacon rolls and tea and coffee to anyone who comes along to help!



Please email us at office@kingina.co.uk to let us know if you are able to help.

Bikeability

Congratulations to the Year 6 children who completed their Bikeability course this week.

Bikeability gives children the skills and confidence to cycle on today's roads. The course includes:

Basic bike checks, road positioning, junctions, turning in and out/ left and right, learning who has right of way and general road safety awareness.

Thank you to the adult volunteers, without whom, the course would not have been possible.



Sun Safety



We are pleased to let you now that very soon we will be installing sun canopies on the long playground and field to create shade for the children during the summer.

All children should come to school prepared for the sunny weather. This includes wearing a sun hat and bringing plenty of drink.

Children should come to school already wearing sun cream and if it is necessary to re-apply sun cream at school, children must bring sun cream to school in a named bottle which they will need to keep in their bag.

They must be able to apply the sun cream themselves and must not share it with anyone else.

We thank you for your co-operation.



Attendance

We wish to remind parents that holidays should be taken during the school holidays and not during term time.

Please note that holidays taken during term time could result in a Penalty Notice which equates to £60 per parent, per child.