



KING EDWIN NEWS

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Dear parents and friends of King Edwin Primary School,

With only a few weeks to go before we reach the end of this academic year, it's important that we continue to celebrate the resilience and positive attitude of our KingEdwinners. I am so proud of the way they are all working hard and enjoying their learning experiences.

I'd like to give a huge 'shout out' to all of the children that perhaps struggled as we returned from the national lock down but have now, in many cases, excelled. There are too many to mention but it really is fantastic to see the progress of some of our more vulnerable children. The 'bounce back' may have taken a little while but it is truly amazing to see the children flourish once they get into their stride again.

Obviously we are equally as disappointed as our parents with regards to the various events that we have had to restrict this term. We really have tried our best to keep everything as normal but first and foremost we have focussed on keeping bubbles open - restricting loss of learning time and enabling parents to keep attending work.

Our transition day has moved to Tuesday 20th July. I am sure children will enjoy getting to know their new teachers and adult support on this day. Staff are informally getting to know their new children in a socially distanced way and we are hopeful that this can be relaxed a little more in the final days of term when restrictions are anticipated being removed in at least some part.

Several year groups are preparing for their residential visits soon and they can't wait. I am so pleased that our staff have agreed to deliver these experiences as the children gain so much from them. All Covid restrictions have been extensively risk assessed and I can't wait to hear all about the visits when the children return to KEPS.

As ever, your unwavering support this year has been amazing and I am so grateful for your patience, understanding and general positivity throughout what has been more than just a tricky time for us all. We appreciate that we may come across as a little cautious at times but I just want to say thanks for adhering to our requests...it really helps!

Please remember that if you require any Covid related support from school, no matter how big or small your concerns may seem, our helpandsupport@kingedwin.notts.sch.uk email is still operational. We will do our best to help.

Andy Callaghan-Wetton Headteacher

MUGA Pitch (Artificial grassed surface) and New Hall



We are so pleased that our new Multi Use Games Area is soon to be installed at KEPS. The work will begin on 19th July and there will be some minor interruptions on the school site. Learning will not be impacted but parents will perhaps notice a few restricted areas of the school playing field and playground.

The new 'Trim Play Trail' will be started at the end of the term and the children will be able to enjoy these new facilities in September when they return.

I must shout from the rooftops about our FOKE (Friends of King Edwin) team for raising over £4500 towards the new facilities. Without their help every year, we would not be able to give the children so many great facilities.

Our playground markings will also be ready for the start of next year and I am sure the children will really love them. After the years they have had recently...the new outdoor improvements really are a welcomed addition to KEPS.

The hall is also taking shape with only the acoustic boards to be fitted now. We have refurbished the hall and it is now almost ready to welcome the children in at the end of the year. We have even managed to get a new replacement projector worth £4500 too...it seems that there are companies out there that truly care about the children. Optoma have been fantastic; replacing out of warranty.

We have to wait for restrictions to end but we can't wait to see our children on stage again, singing, performing and enjoying the Arts at KEPS. We must thank local company SHARPELINE Decorators - they have done a fabulous job!



ECO TEAM - Achieve their second Green Flag Award!

A huge congratulations and well done to our Eco Team! They've done it... KEPS is now the proud recipient of our second Green Flag Award. An unbelievable achievement during such a challenging period of time.

Green Flag status is a prestigious award and something that we are all proud of at KEPS. Mrs Fletcher and her team of Eco KingEdwinners have proudly continued to keep their work up during this pandemic and I cannot be more proud of them.



We have a new orchard planned for September and they have applied for a grant from VEIOLA for a new mural on the playground. Our second Green Flag Award will be proudly flown on the mast as soon as we receive it.

EDWINSTOWE SUMMER FAYRE 2021
 SATURDAY 31ST JULY
 10AM – 1PM
 EDWINSTOWE VILLAGE HALL
FREE ENTRY!

Community Groups Attending
 Village Hall • Good Neighbour • Playgroup • Hospice
 Scouting • Guiding • Village Xchange • British Legion
 King Edwin School • St. Mary's School • WI

Activities
 Raffle • Tombola • Face painting • Games • Story Teller
 Child's Crafting • Cakes/ Snacks • Insect Safari • Plants
 Refreshments • Bric a Brac • Clothes • Drama workshop

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Preliminary Diary Dates—Subject to change

Thursday 1 st – Friday 2 nd July	Y4 Camp Redwood
Thursday 8 th July	Y3 sleepover
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th July	Y6 PGL
Monday 19 th July	Jet Setter day
Thursday 22 nd – Friday 23 rd July	Y5 Walesby
Thursday 22 nd July	F2 Graduation
Thursday 22 nd July	Y2 sleepover
Wednesday 28 th July	Inset Day
Thursday 29 th July	School holidays
Wednesday 1 st September	Return to school

Uniform Exchange

On **Monday the 26th July** we will be holding our first 'school uniform exchange' day to support our families in reducing uniform costs and to promote the idea of a more sustainable future .

The economic and ecological cost of buying new uniform every year is high and many parents have responded positively to the suggestion of holding such an activity.

On the last two days of term (**Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th July**) children will be able to wear non school uniform if they so wish to. Parents are encouraged to bring any old uniform in plastic bags, clearly labelled in order to be exchanged for other uniform of a larger size.

Children will place the bags outside of their current classroom at the end of the day. We must ask parents not to rummage through the bags ...it will be a case of collecting what is required from outside the classroom and leaving accordingly. Hopefully this will see uniform recycled and reduce the costs somewhat for the next financial year.

Clearly not all uniform will be recycled but we sincerely hope that families take up this opportunity and that we can make it a regular event every summer.

New uniform can be ordered from our provider too. Many of these garments have embroidered logos on them. <https://myclothing.com/King-Edwin-Primary-and-Nursery-School/7951.school>

We must emphasise that all clothes should be clean and prewashed. No underwear should be included in the bags. Each bag needs a clear label identifying the age group and size of clothes within it. No shoes are to be shared either (although feel free to arrange exchanges on our social media pages if you wish to do so).