

Friday 11th September 2026

Kingsley St John's Primary

Friday Flyer



*Believe in the
light, whilst you
have the light, so
that you may
become children
of light.'*

John 12:36

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Welcome Back!

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back to school, and what a fantastic start we have made! The children have returned with excellent behaviour and attitudes to learning, ready to get involved and make the most of the new school year. The staff haven't been too bad either!

A few things to look out for as we get underway:

School Open Day – Saturday 12th September

We're looking forward to opening our doors and showcasing our wonderful school. Please help us spread the word!

Our new-look Buddies

You may have spotted our new-look Buddies, with a focus on "I can..." – encouraging our children to recognise what they can do, develop confidence and celebrate their achievements.

Our special events are also being well advertised, so please keep an eye out for what's coming up – there is plenty to look forward to!

Finally, a big thank you to our families for ensuring children are present and on time for school. Good attendance and punctuality make such an important difference, and we really appreciate your support.

Here's to a happy, positive and successful year ahead!

Mrs Jones

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Open Day

Please Help Us Spread the Word!

Do you know families with children due to start school in September 2027? We would be grateful if you could share details of our Reception Open Day on Friday 12th September 10am-12 with friends, neighbours, family members, and the wider community.

Personal recommendations from our families are one of the best ways for new parents to discover what makes Kingsley St John's Primary School such a special place. Thank you for helping us showcase our wonderful school and welcome the next generation of children to our community.

For more information or to book a place, please contact the school office on 01244 738434

Cauliflower Cards

It may only be September but we have been very busy creating our Cauliflower Christmas Cards! Your child's artwork will be sent home with an order form, simply make your payment and place your order online, then return forms with artwork attached by the 24th September



Facebook and Instagram

If you have not yet, please follow us on Facebook: Kingsley St John's CE Aided Primary School and instagram: [_kingsleystjohns_](#)

We now have 151 followers and it is the easiest way to stay up to date with announcements, events, reminders, and a peek at all the great things happening in our school community. We are aiming to double our number of followers - you can help! Get your family involved too. We are also on instagram at [_kingsleystjohns_](#)

Thank you all those parents who regularly like, share and comment on our posts.

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Wrap around care and enrichment

Our newly refreshed "I Can... with Buddies" sessions got off to a fantastic start this week with "I Can Build with Buddies". There were some incredibly creative Lego and Hama Bead creations on display, and it was wonderful to see everyone enjoying the opportunity to build, create and work together. If your child would like to attend a future session, please remember to book via Compass.

We were also delighted to hold our first Messy Church session on Thursday. These family-friendly sessions are open to everyone and include a fun craft activity followed by a delicious tea.

Children attending Messy Church must be accompanied by an adult, although Buddies staff will supervise our Buddies children throughout the session.

If you have not yet received a registration form for Messy Church, please contact us and we will be happy to provide one. We look forward to welcoming more families to these enjoyable and inclusive community events

A poster for Messy Church featuring a border of colorful handprints in purple, yellow, and green. The text is centered and reads:

St John's Church and the Methodist Church
are teaming up to offer something exciting...

Messy Church

**At Kingsley St John's
School Hall
3:45-5:45pm
Thursday 10th September**

Bring the family and join us for exciting, messy craft activities; a chance to explore, grow in faith and ask questions; a short, fun worship and a yummy tea.

Suggested donations:
(sorry, we are unable to take card payment)
£1 per person or family of 5+ : £5.00

For safeguarding/health and safety reasons, families will be required to complete a registration form. You can spend more time having fun by filling it in at home and bringing it with you.

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please consider parking on St John's Church car park and walking across rather than parking on the Coop car park.

For more information, contact Rev Margaret
07368 375970 / revmargaret1@hotmail.com

Attendance

Since our return to school, our whole-school attendance has reached an incredible 99%. What a fantastic start to the new school year!

Thank you to all our families for your continued support and commitment to ensuring your children arrive at school every day, on time, and ready to learn. Excellent attendance plays a vital role in children's achievement, wellbeing, and sense of belonging, and this exceptional start reflects the strong partnership between home and school.

Let's keep up the great work together!

Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 25th September, we are delighted to be continuing our annual visit to the Community Centre to support the Macmillan Coffee Morning. This is an event that our pupils look forward to every year and provides a wonderful opportunity for them to support an important charitable cause within our local community.

Throughout the morning, children will visit the Community Centre with their class groups to enjoy a drink and a cake while learning about the valuable work that Macmillan Cancer Support undertakes for individuals and families affected by cancer.

These visits help strengthen our links with the local community and encourage children to develop empathy, compassion and an understanding of how small acts of support can make a significant difference to others. We are proud to continue supporting this worthwhile event and know that our pupils will once again represent Kingsley St John's Primary School with enthusiasm and respect



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Kingsley Community Association 50 years

We were delighted to be part of the Community Association's 50th Anniversary Celebrations and to join our village in marking this special milestone.

Our Queen Elizabeth II scarecrow stood proudly outside school, and we thoroughly enjoyed seeing the many creative and imaginative scarecrows that appeared around the village as part of the celebrations. It was wonderful to see so many members of the community getting involved and showcasing their talents.

A huge well done and thank you to Heather and her team for all their hard work in organising such a fantastic event



Harvest Experience

Our Falcons and Barn Owls have been invited up to St John's Church

next week for a morning Experiencing Harvest. The team have planned some lovely craft, art and understanding harvest activities where our children can show their thankfulness for all creation.

All pupils in Barn Owls and Falcons will be attending - and I have been informed there are snacks included!

Allergy Updates

Please ensure the school office is informed of any new allergies or changes to your child's medical needs so that our records remain accurate and up to date.

Keeping children safe is a priority for us. All staff receive regular allergy awareness training and emergency response training, and our procedures are fully compliant with Benedict's Law. By working closely with families, we can ensure appropriate care plans, medication and support are in place for pupils with allergies.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe environment for all children.

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Staff CPD and Professional Development

CPI Verbal Intervention Training

During our INSET day, all staff participated in CPI Verbal Intervention Training, delivered by Mrs Gibson following the successful completion of her CPI Instructor qualification through our Trust.

This training has strengthened staff understanding of how to prevent, de-escalate and safely respond to challenging situations through positive communication and relationship-based approaches. The focus is on recognising early signs of distress, understanding children's behaviours as a form of communication, and using supportive strategies that help pupils regulate their emotions and remain engaged in learning.

The training will support pupils by:

- Promoting a calm, safe and predictable learning environment.
- Helping staff recognise and respond to pupils' emotional needs at an early stage.
- Reducing anxiety, conflict and disruption through effective de-escalation techniques.
- Supporting children to develop self-regulation, resilience and emotional literacy.
- Ensuring a consistent approach across the school when supporting pupils experiencing distress or dysregulation.
- Strengthening positive relationships between pupils and staff, helping children feel understood, valued and supported.

The principles of CPI Verbal Intervention align closely with our Behaviour and Relationships Policy, which places positive relationships, restorative practice and inclusion at the heart of our approach.

By investing in this training, we continue to develop a school culture where behaviour is understood within the context of children's individual needs and experiences, ensuring that all pupils at Kingsley St John's Primary School are supported to thrive academically, socially and emotionally

Governors

We are very pleased to welcome Mr Pegram, Grace's dad in Reception, as our new Parent Governor.

Parent Governors play an important role in the strategic leadership of the school. They bring the valuable perspective of parents and carers to the governing board, helping to ensure that decisions are made in the best interests of all our children.

We are delighted that Mr Pegram has joined our governing board and look forward to the contribution he will make in supporting the continued success of Kingsley St John's Primary School. Welcome to the team!

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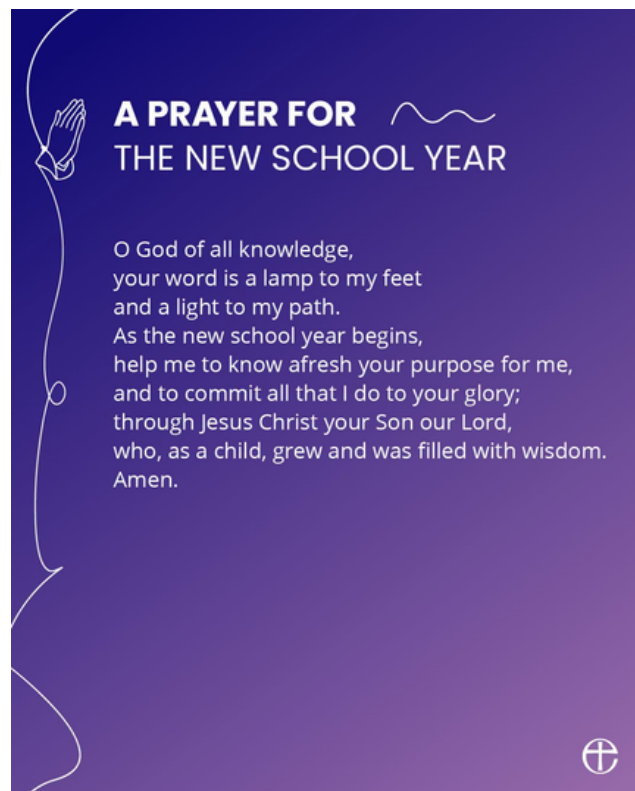
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Important Dates and Events

Wednesday 16 th September	Experience Harvest
Thursday 24 th September	Final date for Cauliflower cards to be returned
Friday 25 th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning @ Community Centre
Thursday 1 st October	Wrens trip to Weaver Hall
Wednesday 7 th October	Harvest Service @ St John's
Wednesday 14 th October	ParentTeacher Evening

26-27 dates are now on the website and a one page calendar has been shared vis Compass messaging



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