

10th Oct 25

KEPS Courier



Success Through Teamwork

A Message from Mr Thompson

As we move further into the autumn term, it's been encouraging to see our pupils developing a growth mindset, approaching their learning with resilience, curiosity, and a positive attitude. Their willingness to take on challenges and support one another is something we're pleased to see growing across the school.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the PTA's Colour Run. It was a lovely event full of energy and smiles, and a great way to bring our school community together.

We also enjoyed welcoming prospective new parents during our Open Morning this week. Our Year 6 pupils did a fantastic job showing families around the school, speaking confidently and sharing their experiences with pride. They represented the school brilliantly and helped create a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

Looking ahead, we're preparing for Parents' Evening next week, which will be a valuable opportunity to reflect on the term so far and continue building strong partnerships between home and school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mr T



Thank you for your Support

Thank you so much for wearing yellow today in remembrance of Emilia England who sadly passed away in 2019 and for supporting World Mental Health Day and SUDC UK.

It is wonderful to see all the children in school today, looking lovely and bright.

Our thoughts are with Emilia's family.



Nut Free School

Please remember we are a NUT FREE school.

We have several children who have allergies, so we appreciate your cooperation in not sending anything containing nuts of any kind in as part of snacks or lunches.

Thank you for your help with this.



Sporting Success at KEPS



Well done to all the pupils who proudly represented the school at the recent KS1 Fun Run and KS2 Cross Country events in Long Sutton. It was fantastic to see such enthusiasm and team spirit from our young runners.



A special congratulations to our Year 5/6 football team, who finished 3rd in the recent CLP Football Tournament. The team played four competitive fixtures, securing 1–0 wins against High Ham A and Curry Mallet to reach the winners' pool. There, they drew 0–0 with Hambridge (in what some called The Mr T Derby!) and narrowly lost to the eventual winners, High Ham B. A brilliant effort all round!

We're now looking forward to seeing our Year 5/6 netball team in action at the upcoming CLP Netball Tournament next week. Good luck to all involved!

Back in September Wilf did a great charity ride, he was the youngest rider at the cycle42 ride for Somerset cancer charities.

He did 23 miles, a personal record distance, with his dad and grandad. KEPS was the final stop on the route for some cake and sweets to get them to the finish line.

Well done Wilf, what a super achievement.



Sporting Dates for the Diary

14th October - CLP Netball Tournament - Huish Leisure 4-6pm

22nd October - CLP Year 3 & 4 T1 Rugby - Somerton Rugby 4-6pm

23rd October - CLP Year 5 & 6 T1 Rugby - Somerton Rugby 4-6pm

18th November - Girls' Football Tournament - Huish Academy 3G Astro Pitch 4-5.30pm

2nd December - CLP Year 5 & 6 Basketball Tournament - Huish Leisure 4-5.30pm

PTA Colour Run

Thank you everyone, for supporting the PTA's first Colour Run last Friday.

The children had great fun and an amazing £1300 was raised!

This will go towards replacement play equipment for the school field area.



Autumn Term PTA Fundraising Events

Weds 12th Nov - PTA School Disco

Fri 14th Nov - Ash Class Cake Sale

Fri 21st Nov - Christmas Bingo and Raffle at the Community Centre

Fri 5th Dec - Secret Santa

Fri 5th and Sat 6th Dec - Christmas Wreath Making Workshops at the Church Rooms
- see kepspta.co.uk/events to book

School Governor Vacancy

KEPS has a vacancy for a Co-opted Governor – could this be you?

The position is open to anyone with suitable qualities – you do not have to be a parent or staff member at the school.

If you are interested in applying, please email sfaull@keps.school or contact the school office.

School Clubs – Autumn Term 1

The clubs for this half term will start w/c 15th September and will be as below. Please book your places on Wisepay.

Day	Club Name	Leader	Class/Year Group	Location
Monday	Coding	Mrs Lane	KS2	Oak Class
Monday	Football	Mr Thompson	KS2	School Field
Tuesday	Football	Mr Bell	Yr 1 & 2	School Field
Wednesday	Gardening Club	Mrs Colton & Mr Satterley	Yr R – Yr 6	Allotment
Thursday	Choir	Mrs Sowter & Mrs Colton	Yr 2 to 6	Hall

Class Updates

The below links are for each class, these will take you to the KEPS website for their updates.

Preschool [Pre School Updates | Kingsbury Episcopi Primary School](#)

Beech Class [Reception/Year 1 - Beech Mr Bell | Kingsbury Episcopi Primary School](#)

Willow Class [Year 1/2 - Willow Mrs Carson | Kingsbury Episcopi Primary School](#)

Ash Class [Year 4/5 Ash - Mrs Cleasby | Kingsbury Episcopi Primary School](#)

Oak Class [Year 5/6 Oak - Mrs Lane | Kingsbury Episcopi Primary School](#)



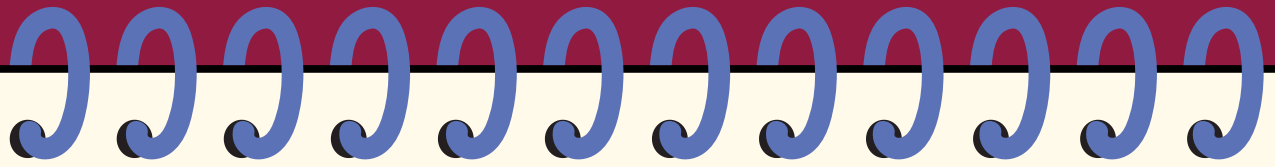
Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are **Mr Thompson** and **Mrs Carson**.
Our safeguarding governor is **Mr Simon Faull**.

If you have concerns about your child at home or school, contact the office to book an appointment. Alternatively, if you are worried about a child or young person who could be in danger, please contact Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224, by email at childrens@somerset.gov.uk or the police.

You can contact the police directly by dialling 101 and they will discuss with Children's Social Care what action should be taken. In an emergency always contact the police by dialling 999. If you would like to speak to a social worker outside office hours, please phone the Emergency Duty Team (EDT) on 0300 123 2327.

Dates for your Diary...



15th & 16th October - Parents Evenings

16th October - Open Afternoon for 2026 starters

24th October - INSET DAY

31st October - Closing date for Secondary School Applications

3rd - 5th November - Year 5 Leeson House Residential

13th November - PFSA Drop in session at KEPS

16th December - School Christmas Lunch

19th December - Last day of Autumn Term



Many children at KEPS love taking part in the **BBC 500 Words** competition and work hard each year on their entries!

This year's competition is already open, so if your child wishes to enter, they can do so via the following link...

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words>

Good Luck!



A Reminder About Toys, Trinkets and Smart Watches

We've noticed a growing number of children bringing toys and small trinkets from home into school. While we understand that some items may offer comfort, they can also be easily lost or damaged, which can cause unnecessary upset during the school day. We kindly ask that these items remain at home unless specifically requested by a teacher for a learning activity.

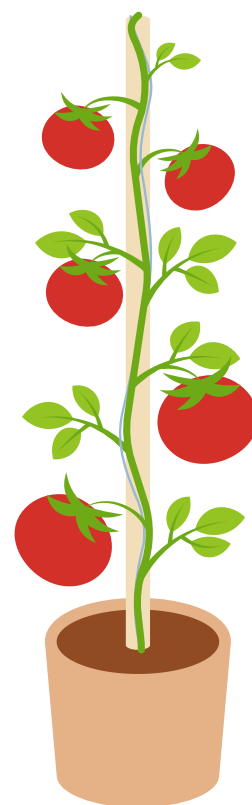
Additionally, we've seen an increase in children wearing smart watches in school. Please note that smart watches are not permitted, as they pose a safeguarding risk due to their connectivity and recording capabilities. We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a safe and focused learning environment for all pupils.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.



KEPS Gardening Club

Our Gardening Club members are loving being out in the fresh air and making many of the school areas look beautiful each week. Here they are enjoying themselves and getting creative with apples!



School Tours

Is your child starting school in September 2026?

KEPS - Open Afternoon

We're excited to welcome prospective parents and children to explore our wonderful school ahead of admissions for September 2026.

 Open Afternoon: Thursday 16th October - 1:30pm-2:30pm

Come and meet our dedicated staff, see our vibrant classrooms in action, and discover what makes Kingsbury Episcopi Primary such a special place to learn and grow. Please call 01460 240507 or e-mail office@keps.school to register interest.



'Tuning into Kids' Course

**Dates for the Tuning into Kids course
run by Victoria Gould – PFSA**

Tuesday 4th November - Tuesday 9th December
9.30-11.30 at Somerton Library

If you are interested in joining,
please contact the school office
and we will pass your details to the organisers



Wraparound Provision

The Willows Childcare provides a wraparound provision. The hourly rate is £6.00 and available to all children either on a regular or ad-hoc basis. For more information contact The Willows Childcare on: Nic 07557 952 753 / Jackie 07909 005 066

Facebook: The Willows Childcare
Email: Jackie:thewillowschildcare.co.uk

Breakfast Club from 07.30 until 09.00 Monday to Friday.
Breakfast served until 08.10 (extra 50p charge).
After School Club operates from 15.30 until 17.30 Monday to Thursday only.

PE Days for 2025/26

Please send your child/children to school in their PE kits on PE Days. PE kits should be burgundy shorts/black leggings/tracksuit bottoms, white house coloured t shirt. A school jumper, cardigan or KEPS PE hoody (hoody is optional).

PE days for 2025/26 are:

Monday – Beech and Willow
Tuesday – Ash & Oak



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School Calendar for 2025/26



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KEPS School Terms and Holidays 2025/2026 Academic Year

September 2025						October 2025						November 2025								
M		1	8	15	22	29	Mo			6	13	20	27	M			3	10	17	24
Tu		2	9	16	23	30	Tu			7	14	21	28	Tu			4	11	18	25
W		3	10	17	24		We		1	8	15	22	29	W			5	12	19	26
Th		4	11	18	25		Th		2	9	16	23	30	Th			6	13	20	27
F		5	12	19	26		Fr		3	10	17	24	31	Fr			7	14	21	28
Sa		6	13	20	27		Sa		4	11	18	25		Sa		1	8	15	22	29
Su		7	14	21	28		Su		5	12	19	26		Su		2	9	16	23	30
December 2025						January 2026						February 2026								
M		1	8	15	22	29	M			5	12	19	26	M			2	9	16	23
Tu		2	9	16	23	30	Tu			6	13	20	27	Tu			3	10	17	24
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March 2026						April 2026						May 2026								
M		2	9	16	23	30	M			6	13	20	27	M			4	11	18	25
Tu		3	10	17	24	31	Tu			7	14	21	28	Tu			5	12	19	26
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June 2026						July 2026						August 2026								
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Key:

- School Holiday
- Bank Holiday
- Term Time
- Inset Days

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 02 September – 24 October 2025 (39 days)
Term 2: 03 November – 19 December 2025 (35 days)
Term 3: 05 January – 13 February 2026 (30 days)
Term 4: 23 February – 02 April 2026 (29 days)
Term 5: 20 April – 22 May 2026 (24 days)
Term 6: 01 June – 22 July 2026 (38 days) **TOTAL = 195**

Bank and public holidays 2025/26

Christmas Day	25 December 2025	Easter Monday	06 April 2026
Boxing Day	26 December 2025	May Day Bank Holiday	04 May 2026
New Year's Day	01 January 2026	Spring Bank Holiday	25 May 2026
Good Friday	03 April 2026	Summer Bank Holiday	31 August 2026

Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.