

From Mrs Lawson



With Deepest Sympathy

We would like to express our sincere condolences to Jackie Thompson and her family after the sad news of her husband Adam passing away on Sunday. As a school, staff and wider community I am sure you will understand that the breakfast and after school club run by The Willows will shut for a full day on the day of the funeral. We will let you all know as soon as we have a date.

Thank you for your kindness and understanding at this difficult time.

Exceptional Teaching and Learning at KEPS

An incredible first week back at KEPS. The children and staff have been fitting in HUGE amounts of learning. Thank you to our governors for visiting us during our teaching and learning evaluation weeks. It is so lovely to have you in the school to see the hard work the staff and children do every day.

DISCO, DISCO, DISCO!!!

Thank you to the PTA for a fantastic disco! Thank you to DJ Darren AKA Mr Bell and Mrs Carson for helping. It was so lovely to see the children enjoying the music and having a good dance! £180.00 was raised!

Remembrance

Thank you all for your generous donations for the Poppy Appeal. Special assembly Monday 11th, children are welcome to wear Cub, Scout, Brownie, Guides uniforms on Monday. Other uniforms also welcome.

£7000 & £1000 Donations

At the end of term, we received an incredibly large and generous donation from an anonymous person! THANK YOU for the £7000! We are incredibly grateful, and the children and school will benefit hugely from this amount of money. We will keep you updated when the work is done! Thank you from all of us at KEPS!

A huge thank you to Martock Charity shop for the incredible donation of £1000! This is so generous, and we are very grateful indeed!

Have a wonderful weekend and enjoy the Bonfire and Fireworks displays if you haven't already done so!

KEPS Diary Dates

Monday 11th November	Remembrance Assembly – Children will be able to wear Scouts, Cubs, Brownies or other uniforms.
Wednesday 13th November	Parents Evening from 3.45pm No Puzzle Club due to parents evening.
Thursday 14th November	Parents Evening from 3.45pm No Choir due to parents evening.
Friday 15th November	Children in Need – Wear Yellow & Spots Please use the link below for any donations - https://www.justgiving.com/page/keps123?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fkeps123&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share
Wednesday 4th December	PTA Secret Santa
Tuesday 10th December	Year 4/5/6 Indoor Basketball Taster – Huish Leisure
Wednesday 11th December	PTA Christmas Raffle, in the hall after school.
Friday 20th December	Last Day of Term

Christmas Performances Etc Details – Please See Next Page

Remembrance Assembly and Donations 2024

The school will be remembering people in the past and present on Monday 11th November for our special assembly for Remembrance Sunday. Remembrance Poppies and trinkets will be available at school from Monday 4th November before playtime. Please give children no less than 50 pence for a poppy and £1 for other items. Children will be able to wear Scouts, Cubs, Brownies or other uniforms to add to the occasion. Thank you in advance for your kind donations.

Attendance

This week's winners are Beech class.

KEPS Attendance Aim 97% - Keep up the excellent work!

Christmas Performances

Monday 9th December – Willow Class

Tuesday 10th December – Beech Class

Wednesday 11th December – PTA Christmas Raffle in the hall after school

Thursday 12th December – Elm Class and Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 16th December – KEPS Christmas Choir Performance, 5:30pm start

Tuesday 17th December – Oak Class

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Lunch and Ash Class

Friday 20th December – Headteacher Commendation Assembly at 3:00pm

All performances to start at 5.30pm.



Internet Safety



Keeping Children Safe!

Praise Assembly

All parents, carers and family members are welcome to attend our Praise Assemblies!

The following children will be presented with their certificates:

Friday 15th November at 3.00pm – Whole School

Beech Class – Malachi M & Henry P

Willow Class – Florence L & Bruno M

Elm Class – Poppy C & Alice C

Ash Class – Freddie D & Louie G

Oak Class – Chae L & Maisie H

EE – Elspeth G (Oak)



Class Updates

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

Preschool Update

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

Beech Class Updates

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

Willow Class Update

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

Elm Class Update

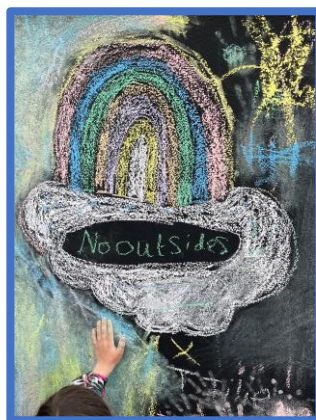
[Year 3/4 - Elm Mrs Meeten | Kingsbury Episcopi Primary School](#)

Ash Class Update

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

Oak Class Update

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



After School Clubs

Autumn Term 2 2024

Clubs will be available to book on Wisepay on Thursday 24th September from 4.00pm.

Clubs start on **Monday 4th November** and finish on **Friday 13th December**.
(Please note there are no clubs during the last week of term due to Christmas performances).

Day	Activity	Year Group	Cost	Location
Monday	Christmas Crafts with Mrs Carson	Year 1 - 6	£18.00	Willow Class
Monday	Coding Club with Mrs Lane	Year 3 - 6	£18.00	Oak Class
Monday	Reading Club with Mrs Meeten	Year 3 & 4	£18.00	Elm Class
Wednesday	Puzzle Club with Mrs Colton <i>No Puzzle Club 13th November due to parents evening.</i>	Reception & Year 1	£15.00	Beech Class
Thursday	Choir with Mrs Sowter <i>No Choir on 14th November due to parents evening.</i>	Year 3 - 6	On going	School Hall
Friday	Games Galore with Mrs Cleasby	Year 3 to 6	£18.00	Ash Class

Welcome To KEPS PTA - [PTA | Kingsbury Episcopi Primary School](#)

Additional Information

The Willows Childcare provides a wraparound provision. The hourly rate is £5.50 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

As with last year, please send you 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 of KEPS PE hoody (hoody is optional)

Monday – Oak & Elm

Wednesday – Ash & Willow

Friday – Beech

Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are **Mrs Lawson** 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.

Additional Information

Governor News

Please see our governor page for more details on our wonderful governors who help to support the school.

Chair

Mr Simon Faull

Vice Chair

Jon Loxston

Co-opted Governors

Miss Charlotte England

Mrs Barbara Teale

Mr Michael Gulliver

Mr Jon Loxston

Miss Fiona Guest

Parent Governor

Mr David Harris

Mr Neil Burn

LFA Governor

Mr Simon Faull

Headteacher

Mrs Melanie Lawson

Clerk

VACANT

Staff Governor

Mrs Elodie Carson

A Parent and Family Support Adviser (PFSA) can support you and your family if you are experiencing difficulties which may be influencing your child's education. Once referred to me I can: Give a listening ear, provide a friendly, supportive service. Support families in crisis. Be an advocate for parents/carers and children always aiming to empower them. Arrange to meet you at your home or school. Book appointments at times convenient to you. Help you and your family succeed. Work 1:1 with children. Use assessment tools such as EHA (Early Help Assessment). Difficulties can include Housing Benefits, Mental Health, Emotional Health, Drug/Alcohol misuse, Sexual Health – anything which many influence your child's education.

Twitter: @HUISHCLPPFSA / **Blog:**

www.huishCLPPPrimaryPFSA.home.blog / **Email:**

HuishCLPPPrimaryPFSA@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Based at Long Sutton Primary 01458 241 434

Victoria Gould, PFSA **Telephone:** 07825 833 566

Working days – Tues / Wed / Thurs 08:30 - 16:30 Fri 09:00 – 15:00



Success Through Teamwork

Kingsbury Episcopi Primary School

KEPS Courier

Friday 8th November 2024



Somerset
Council

KEPS School Terms and Holidays 2024/2025 Academic Year

September 2024							October 2024							November 2024						
M	2	9	16	23	30		Mo	7	14	21	28			M	4	11	18	25		
Tu	3	10	17	24			Tu	1	8	15	22	29		Tu	5	12	19	26		
W	4	11	18	25			We	2	9	16	23	30		W	6	13	20	27		
Th	5	12	19	26			Th	3	10	17	24	31		Th	7	14	21	28		
F	6	13	20	27			Fr	4	11	18	25			F	1	8	15	22	29	
Sa	7	14	21	28			Sa	5	12	19	26			Sa	2	9	16	23	30	
Su	1	8	15	22	29		Su	6	13	20	27			Su	3	10	17	24		
December 2024							January 2025							February 2025						
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March 2025							April 2025							May 2025						
M	3	10	17	24	31		M	7	14	21	28			M	5	12	19	26		
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Key:

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	Term Time
	Inset Days

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 03 September – 25 October 2024 (39 days)	
Term 2: 04 November – 20 December 2024 (35 days)	
Term 3: 06 January – 14 February 2025 (30 days)	
Term 4: 24 February – 04 April 2025 (30 days)	
Term 5: 22 April – 23 May 2025 (23 days)	
Term 6: 02 June – 23 July 2025 (38 days)	TOTAL = 195

Bank and public holidays 2024/25

Christmas Day	25 December 2024	Easter Monday	21 April 2025
Boxing Day	26 December 2024	May Day Bank Holiday	05 May 2025
New Year's Day	01 January 2025	Spring Bank Holiday	26 May 2025
Good Friday	18 April 2025	Summer Bank Holiday	25 August 2025

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.