

Friday, 24th
April, 2026

Kingsfield's



NEWSLETTER



Next week..

A message from Mrs Hodson...

We were delighted to welcome families into school to enjoy the Charming Cheetahs' class assembly this week. The children did a fantastic job, showing confidence, teamwork and pride in their learning. Thank you to all the families who joined us to share this special occasion.

It has also been a busy and inspiring week across school. Year 3 enjoyed a visit to Woodhouse, where they watched the performance of *Surviving School*, which was both engaging and thought-provoking.

Meanwhile, our Super Squirrels had a wonderful parent engagement session, working together to create Clarice Cliff-inspired plates. It was lovely to see families learning alongside the children and celebrating their creativity together.

Have a great weekend- from Mrs Hodson, Ozzy, Elvis and Team Kingsfield x

Monday	TT class assembly 2.30pm 9am MHST coffee morning
Tuesday	TT Swim-2 KS2 PE with ASM
Wednesday	
Thursday	BB Forest School-2 11.5pm WO parent engagement
Friday	

CFLP Pupil Forum

We are incredibly proud of the outstanding work of our Pupil Forum representatives, who came together with representatives from across our seven CFLP Trust schools to lead, share ideas and represent the voices of their communities. They worked thoughtfully and collaboratively on key priorities that matter to children, including:

- Designing ideas for an attendance postcard competition to celebrate and promote being *Here, Every day, Ready and On time* (see above).
- Sharing honest and insightful views on transition, helping us understand what works well and how we can make moving year groups or schools even smoother.
- Reviewing and improving our SMART online safety rules, ensuring they are clear, child-friendly and meaningful for pupils across the Trust.

Throughout the morning, our representatives spoke with confidence, listened with respect and showed real pride in representing our school. By bringing ideas back and forth between their peers and Trust leaders, they play a vital role in shaping decisions and helping us improve outcomes for all children.

Design an Attendance Postcard Competition

We are running a competition to design an attendance postcard.

These special postcards will be sent home to celebrate great attendance or improved attendance.

Please return your designs to your class teacher by Monday, 18th May.

Your design could include:

- *A landscape layout
- *Bright, eye-catching colours
- *Our school logo
- *The CFLP log
- *The H.E.R.O. message: Here, Every day, Ready, On time

Have fun, be creative, and good luck! 🍀

Children First Learning Partnership



Please see our website for all dates for the term ahead.

Our whole school attendance target is 96%.

This week, our school attendance was: **93.1%**

This week's winners are: **Terrific Tigers**



Next week we are on week 1 of our lunch menu



Class	Attendance
Brilliant Butterflies	91%
Charming Cheetahs	95%
Terrific Tigers	96.15%
Learning Lions	86.4%
Super Squirrels	92.58%
Fantastic Foxes	95%
Wise Owls	94.67%

Rewards and Celebrations



- Clever Caterpillars-
Ava
- Brilliant Butterflies -
Tommy J
- Charming Cheetahs -
Oakley
- Terrific Tigers -
Violet
- Learning Lions -
Llewy
- Super Squirrels -
Molly
- Fantastic Foxes -
Taya-Mai
- Wise Owls -
Harley

- Clever Caterpillars-
Jackson P
- Brilliant Butterflies -
Mason
- Charming Cheetahs -
Thea
- Terrific Tigers -
Jude
- Learning Lions -
Ava
- Super Squirrels -
Brodie
- Fantastic Foxes -
George J
- Wise Owls -
Eva

- Clever Caterpillars-
Oakley H
- Brilliant Butterflies -
Marco
- Charming Cheetahs -
Amelia
- Terrific Tigers -
Jasmine
- Learning Lions -
Lydia W
- Super Squirrels -
Elsie
- Fantastic Foxes -
Henry G
- Wise Owls -
Eli



Other Celebrations...

- Well done to Jenson who passed his stage 3 in swimming*
 - Well done the William who moved up a stage in swimming*
 - Well done to Oscar who received a trophy for his dribbling and scoring a hatrick in his football match*
 - Well done to Lottie-J who received a trophy for star player in her football match*
 - Well done to Isabelle who passed her stage 2 in swimming*
- Please send an email to office.kng@cflptrust.co.uk if you would like to share any of your child's outside of school achievements.*



House Points

Mars	134
Earth	247
Saturn	406
Jupiter	302



School Noticeboard...



VOLUNTEER FOR CAREERS WEEK!

6th-10th July 2026

Could you share your career to inspire our children to dream big and explore their choices?

Please contact Mrs Faulkner through the office if you can spare some time.

KINGSFIELD FIRST SCHOOL SUMMER FAYRE

19TH JUNE

3.30 ONWARDS

ICE CREAM

BOUNCY CASTLE

REFRESHMENTS

GAMES

STALLS

LOTS OF FAMILY FUN!



Open Day Dates

January	February Wednesday 25 th Feb 9.45am	March Monday 23 rd March 1pm
April Wednesday 22 nd April 2.15pm	May Wednesday 20 th May 9.45am	June Monday 15 th June 4.30pm

Come and visit us!

For children and families interested in our Nursery and Reception places!

scan to have a sneak peak of our beautiful Early Years in action!



Coffee Morning with



On Tuesday 28th April
From 9am to 10am
in the Kingsfield Room

Here to support children and their parents/carers with anxiety, behaviour, sleep and much more!

If you've got something on your mind, come and have a chat with your Education Mental Health Practitioner, Kathryn





Community Noticeboard...



WELCOME to Kingsfield!



If your child is turning 4 by September, you will have received your school place for September 2026.

We warmly welcome those children and families from our current nursery and any new families who are joining us also!

We can't wait to meet you!




Families' Health and Wellbeing **NHS**
Midlands Partnership University
NHS Foundation Trust

School Nurse Community drop in

2nd Friday of the month
1.15pm – 4.00pm

For parents/carers of 5-19's and young people not in education



The School Nurse is here to help your child feel healthy, happy and safe during their school years and to get the best from their education. If you have any concerns about their health call in for a chat at

Staffordshire Moorlands Family Hub
Albert Street
Biddulph
Staffordshire
ST8 6DT
01782 297970

We provide a confidential and friendly service

www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/health-visiting-and-school-nursing



Kingsfield First School
Gunn Street, Biddulph

WE ARE LOOKING FOR RAFFLE PRIZES FOR OUR SUMMER FAIR!

Your support makes a big difference!

We are kindly asking local businesses and individuals if they would consider donating a prize for our raffle.

SUMMER FAIR DATE:
FRIDAY 19TH JUNE 2026

PRIZE DONATION DEADLINE:
END OF MAY 2026

Thank you for supporting our school!

All donors will be thanked on our social media and at the fair.
Please contact the PTFA if you can help.

FROM THE PTFA





Kool Kids



Welcome Back Kool Kids!

Now the weather is warming up we will be going out onto the playground and field more in the afternoon sessions.



Please can you remember to bring :

- Hat
- Sun cream
- Water bottle



Please don't forget to book your sessions via Arbor. This helps us to plan snacks and activities.



Thank You!



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about APP & PLAY STORES

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Since the introduction of Apple's App Store and Google's Play Store, an estimated two million apps have been made available on each. Ofcom's 2025 media use and attitudes report states that more than half of children aged between 3 and 7 use apps or sites to communicate with each other, and, by the ages of 10 to 12, 45% of children are playing games on their mobile phones. This guide will help you ensure that children use the app stores and their content safely.

MALICIOUS APPS WITH MALWARE

Although Google and Apple must approve the apps on their official stores, inappropriate content sometimes slips through the net. For example, in 2025, the security company Kaspersky found that multiple iOS and Android apps contained screen-reading software, primed to look for passwords and stealing crypto-wallet recovery phrases captured in screenshots.

UNOFFICIAL COPYCAT APPS

Both official app stores contain copycat apps – often games – designed to look like popular rivals, mimicking their branding, layout and logos. While these will usually just offer a poor experience packed with ads as a quick money-making exercise, they're also more likely to be vessels for malware than the products they're counterfeiting.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

As the App Store and Play Store are for all ages, there's a lot of content available that's inappropriate for children. Examples include apps that have references to alcohol, drugs, sex, violence or gambling. In general, these are sensibly age-rated, but social media sites such as YouTube and TikTok, which both have an App Store age rating of 12+, can be gateways to adult material.

PREDATORY IN-APP PURCHASES

App-making is a business, and most creators have found that 'freemium' software is the way to make money. That means the app will be free initially but will either require the user to watch ads or rely on them making in-app purchases. Some 'free' apps can be predatory, and there are plenty of examples reported where parents have racked up huge bills on behalf of their children's app activity.

ADDICTIVE BY DESIGN

Phone addiction is fast becoming recognised as a real concern, and apps are a big part of this. Freemium apps have a real incentive to keep children checking in every day in order to generate more ad views or secure extra in-app purchases. This can interfere with schoolwork and other offline hobbies.

SIDLOADED BANNED APPS

'Sideloading' – the more complicated practice of installing applications on a device from sources other than the official app stores – bypasses Google's and Apple's security procedures; however, it is possible for tech-savvy users. This opens up huge risks – not just apps that would be forbidden by Apple and Google, but phone ones packed with malware too.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ACTIVATE PARENTAL CONTROLS FOR APPS

Both Google and Apple have apps that can give adults greater control over children's phone activity. 'Screen Time' (iPhone) and 'Family Link' (Android) have a range of features, such as letting you set age-related restrictions on the app stores, require permission to download an app, set daily time limits on specific apps, and control real-world spending.

DO YOUR RESEARCH

If children ask permission to download an app, do your due diligence and research it. Read the app summary and search the Internet for reviews and discussions to establish its legitimacy, safety and appropriateness – if it doesn't seem to be appropriate, look for safer alternatives instead.

LOOK BEYOND THE REVIEWS

App store reviews are helpful, but they are easily gamed, and some unscrupulous developers will pay for quick reviews to give their work perceived legitimacy. Take more than a cursory glance at listings by digging out the one- and two-star reviews and looking closely at the developer – for example, if they've published a lot of unrelated apps, that's a red flag.

TALK TO YOUR CHILD

Talk to children and make sure they're aware that apps can be risky. As part of a wider talk about internet literacy, ensure they don't download apps outside of the official channels, nor grant apps permission to access their camera, microphone, or photos without a good reason. Make sure they understand that in-game currency costs real-world money.

Meet Our Expert

AJan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, The Telegraph, The Evening Standard, The Guardian and The New Statesman.



#WakeUpWednesday SALE

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