KINOULTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Welcome from Mr Paramore

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Creativity

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Welcome to our latest newsletter, letting you know about some of the things that have been happening in school and some of the upcoming events. There are some important updates in this issue so please make sure you read it when you can. Thank you!

Building Work Completion

We are pleased to let you know that the building project at the school is nearing completion and most of the work is now complete. Next week, Mr Middleton's Badgers class will move back into the school building and the temporary classrooms can then be removed. At present, we are expecting the removal of the portakabin to take place on Saturday, 2nd December. This means that parts of the school site will be inaccessible during the Christmas Fayre. We will share details about this next week, once everything is confirmed.

We are really pleased that the work is nearing completion and almost every area of the school now has new ceilings, new lighting, new network cabling, new alarm systems, new heating and non-leaking roofs! There has also been some new flooring and decorating as part of the project and some of this will continue into the Christmas holidays.

Thank you for your cooperation and support during this lengthy building project. We are all looking forward to finally getting back to normal and seeing our lovely school site in all its glory! By January, we are expecting all the containers, etc. to be offsite and everything to be complete.

Equals Trust

The recent consultation around joining the Equals Trust is coming to a close. Thank you to those parents who attended the recent consultation meetings. If you were unable to attend, but would like to know what was discussed, all the questions and answers have been summarised and put onto our website here:

Kinoulton Primary School - Academy Consultation

We have already been working closely with Equals Trust and have already received many benefits, including curriculum resources and support, and new opportunities for the children. An example of this was the recent 'storytelling' event where four of our talented Year 6 children were selected to tell a story to an audience of children, parents and teachers. They all had a brilliant time!



School Meals

A quick update on the situation with school meals:

Firstly, the local authority have informed us that the price of meals is about to increase. This is something that is beyond our control and something that will affect all schools that use the Notts County Council Schools Catering service.

From Monday 4th December, our school meal price will increase from £2.60 to £3.00 per meal. This price increase is due to a number of factors, including the increased cost of ingredients. As I said, this price increase is something that we have no say in.

In better news, we can confirm that **we have now appointed a new school chef** who will be starting work with us in the coming weeks. Once the new chef is in post and has completed initial training, we can begin cooking all the popular fresh meals from the standard menu again. This will mean an increase in the quality and a return to the type of food that the Kinoulton children are used to. We will share more details when we can, but I am sure you all agree that this is very welcome news!

Autumn Term

This term, the children have done a lot of learning about the environment and the ways that humans can affect the environment. Across the school the children have learned about recycling, ecology, biodiversity and much more. The children have been enjoying this topic so much that we are planning on revisiting this learning in different ways after Christmas. On Friday 15th December from 2:45pm, school will be open for you to come and see the work we have been completing this term. All classrooms will be open to parents/carers and we would love for you to come and ask us about what we have been learning. Alongside this eco-project, you will be able to see some of the other brilliant learning that has been happening this term.

ClassDojo and Feedback Form

Thank you to everyone for signing up to ClassDojo. Our intention is to develop our use of this platform and to reach the point where all communication from school is sent in this way.

There is currently a feedback form on ClassDojo as I would like to collect your views about our use of the platform, alongside your views on school, in general. Please use the link below to complete the **feedback form**:

https://forms.office.com/e/ekp9LC1PT8



What's Coming Up at KPS? Saturday, 2nd December 9.30am – 1.00pm **Christmas Fayre** Wednesday, 6th December 7pm-9pm **Governors Development Meeting** Friday, 15th December Autumn Term Work Showcase 2.45pm Tuesday, 19th December 2pm FS/KS1 Nativity Wednesday, 20th December Afternoon **KS2** Christmas Party Wednesday, 20th December 5pm FS/KS1 Nativity Thursday, 21st December Afternoon **KS1 Christmas Party** Friday, 22nd December Break up for the Christmas Holidays 3.30pm NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUB Thursday, 4th January All day INSET Friday, 5th January INSET All day Monday, 8th January 8.50am **Spring Term Begins**

