

KING'S ACADEMY COLLEGE PARK



Wishing our KACP families a wonderful half term break!



Can you find the pumpkin skeletons hidden throughout our newsletter?





Submissions for the 500 Words Competition are due in by Tuesday 4th November!



Take me there!



KE	Y EVENTS
5th November & 12 th November	Iguana class - Swimming
5th November	Lion class library visit
10 th November	Odd Socks Day!
11 th November	Year R Brush Up visit
12 th November	Wombat class library visit
19 th November	Koala class library visit
21st November	Junior Flu Immunisations
24 th November	Infant Flu Immunisations
25 th November	Infant Author visit
26 th November	Emu class library visit
3 rd December	Dingo class library visit
5 th December	INSET - School closed
9 th December	Year 5 Science Museum trip
	Key Christmas Dates - see the bottom of the newsletter for details!

Message from Mrs Carlyle

As we reach the end of the first half of the autumn term, it's wonderful to reflect on the many experiences our pupils have enjoyed both in and out of school. It has been a busy and rewarding few weeks, filled with learning, growth, and community spirit.

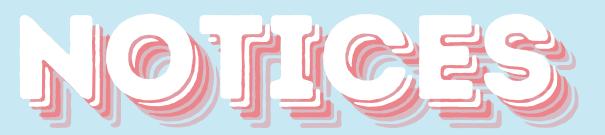
Our residentials to Little Canada and Marchants Hill were standout moments of the term. Pupils demonstrated resilience, teamwork, and independence while tackling adventurous activities and creating lasting memories.

Across the school, classes have been out and about enriching their learning. Year 3 explored ancient life at Butser Ancient Farm, Year 2 took in the sights from the Spinnaker Tower, and several classes enjoyed engaging library visits to inspire a love of reading.

We are incredibly proud of our International Ambassadors, who represented KACP at the Show Racism the Red Card event, promoting inclusion and equality. A group of pupils had an exciting visit to Fratton Park, home of Portsmouth FC, while a group of Year 5 and 6 boys attended an Aspirations event at the John Jenkins Stadium, exploring future pathways and ambitions.

Our year 5 pupils have made fantastic progress in their swimming lessons, growing in confidence each week, and the whole school came together to celebrate our Harvest Festival. The generosity shown by families in donating to support others truly reflected the caring values of our community.

We're so proud of everything our pupils and staff have achieved this half term. Wishing everyone a restful and enjoyable break – we look forward to another exciting half term ahead!





Lisa, our Gymnastics Coach has a few spaces available in Gymnastics Club which takes place every Thursday morning before school. Please see our <u>clubs list</u> on our website to sign your child up.







*Please note, your child must be 5 or older.









2025 - 2026 Inset days

3rd September 2025

24th October 2025

5th December 2025

13th February 2026

21st July 2026

22nd July 2026

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

On our website, you can view our large range of extra curricular clubs and activities on offer!

Extra Curricular activities at KACP

Extra Curricular activities provide students with valuable opportunities to develop important life skills such as leadership, teamwork and social connections. They also contribute to personal growth and help your child build confidence.









Lost Property

We regularly collect a large number of unnamed items in lost property. Named items are returned to children whenever possible, so please ensure all items worn or brought into school are clearly named to help us return them.

In the last week of each half term, all lost property is placed on both playgrounds for collection. Any unclaimed items are either donated to Hive Portsmouth or responsibly disposed of.



Road Safety Around School

The safety of our children is paramount, and we urge all road users to exercise caution when driving near schools. Speeding, reckless driving, and disregard for traffic rules in school zones put young lives at risk.

- Slow Down Speed limits around schools exist for a reason. Always adhere to them and be prepared to stop suddenly.
- Obey Traffic Rules Follow all signs, signals, and pedestrian crossings. Stopping in the road to drop your child to school is extremely dangerous and unacceptable.
- Stay Alert Put away mobile phones and avoid distractions.
- Respect Crossing Patrols The school crossing patrollers are there to keep children safe. Always stop when directed and never attempt to rush past.

We will not tolerate dangerous driving in our school community. Enforcement measures, including fines and reports to authorities, will be taken against those who disregard these essential safety rules.

Let's work together to ensure the safety of every child. Please drive responsibly.



Flu Immunisation Reminder

A reminder to parents to provide consent for their child to receive the flu immunisation in school.

Consent form

When completing the form, please use the correct school code:

Infant School - CW145452 Junior School - CW144506

Information leaflet

Please complete the consent form by 18th November to ensure your child can be immunised at school.

flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



Protect your child
 The vaccine will help protect
 your child against flu and serious
 complications such as bronchitis
 and pneumonia

NHS

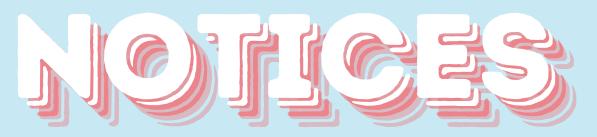
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends
- 3. No injection needed

and family

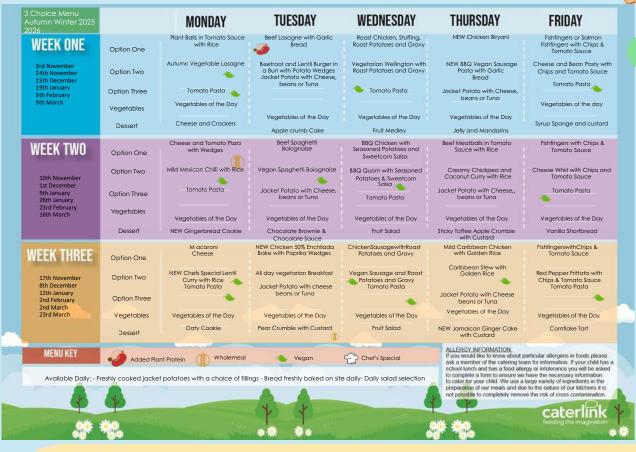
- 4. It's better than having flu
- Avoid costs If your child gets flu, you ma have to take time off work of arrange alternative childcare

For more information visit www.nhs.uk/child-flu

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New menus from 3rd November



EXCITING NEWS - NEW LUNCH OPTION!

You spoke and we listened! Thanks to everyone who shared their thoughts in our lunch survey. From after half term, children will have a brand-new **fourth** lunch option to enjoy at school – more choice, more variety, and more yum!

Autumn Winter 2025/26 Packed Lunch Menu		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE 3rd November 24th November 15th December 19th January 9th February 9th March	Sandwich Option BLUE	Cheese Bap Served with Carrot and Cucumber sticks Fruit Dessert of the day	Tuna Mayo Baguette Served with Carrot and Cucumber sticks Fruit Dessert of the day	Roast Chicken Baguette Served with Carrot and Cucumber sticks Fruit Dessert of the day	Ham Bap Served with Carrot and Cucumber sticks Fruit Dessert of the day	Fish Finger Bap Served with Carrot and Cucumber sticks Fruit Dessert of the day
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Sandwich option is charged at the same rate as a hot dinner





PUMPKIN CARVING COMPETITION

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Pumpkin Carving Competition. We were amazed by the creativity, talent and dedication shown by our pupils!





Military Minds

Our Military Minds service provides support for Army and Royal Airforce families.

Run by Solent Mind, in partnership with The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust, we help families navigate the unique challenges of military life. From coping with deployment to specific support for anxiety, depression, loneliness and stress, we're here to help.

Call: 0303 003 4239

Email: militaryminds@solent.org.uk



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achievements

Elsie, Year 3





Elsie competed in Petersfield dancing competition and won the 6 and under aggregate cup for her Tap Modern and Song Solos.

Fantastic achievements, well done Elsie!

Logan, Year 5



Logan entered a competition over the summer with Hampshire FA to write a story. His story was picked by an author as the winning entry!

Outstanding Logan!
Winning the competition is a testament to your hard work and creativity.

Well

Bobbi, Year 4



At the Hampshire
Gymnastic
Championships Bobbi
was awarded for her
group:
Vault silver, Beam silver,
Bars gold, Floor gold and
All around gold.

Bobbi, you are a superstar! Keep up the excellent work.

Charlie, Year 3



Charlie recently played a match for his team as goalkeeper in the pouring cold rain and was chosen as player of the match by his coach for his great saves.

Amazing Charlie, such great resilience and teamwork!











Roman has been keeping his local village clean and tidy by litter picking. He is now planning a beach litter pick to continue to keep our local areas tidy, demonstrating care and responsibility for the environment.



Well done Roman, we love your commitment!

Four children took part in the Mini Great South Run last weekend and did brilliantly!

Aariz, Year 2





Eddie, Year 3 Penelope, Year R Willow, Year 3



Well done to all of you on such a fantastic achievement — we are so proud!





October Holiday Camps at King's Academy Northern Parade -<u>click here</u> to book!

Low-cost local events and <u>activities</u>



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What's on at The D-Day Story this October half term

D-Day took place on 6th June 1944 during the Second World War. It is still considered to be the largest amphibious

Come and discover more about the incredible people who were involved



The Discovery Hub

Marvellous Medals 29th and 30th October

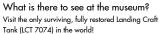
Take inspiration from our collections an make your own medal to take home

Come and discover our handling objects and uniforms to try on too

Southcoast Modellers

3st October

The Southcoast Modellers return with their impressive displays of hand-made scale models. Come and discover how these are made and decorated in such detail.



See the story of D-Day told through the hand-stitched Overlord Embroidery. It's an amazing 83 metres

The museum galleries have interactive displays, games and audio-visuals as well as original Second World War vehicles, objects and uniforms.



Did you know we're a Blue

Peter attraction? Badge holders can visit for freewith a paying adult. Just show your badge and card when buying your ticket



What's on at The D-Day Story this October half term

Gustav the pigeon Canyou spotall the Gustav pigeons hidden around the museum?

Family audio guide

to resist occupying Germans?

Borrow our free family audio

family to experience together.

guide to learn more about those

who did. Developed for the whole

Would you have risked everything

Marvellous medals trail

25th October - 2nd November

Discover the medals on display and complete our trail for a chance to win a Gustav pigeon or landing craft Airfix kit.

For ages 5 - 16

Family trail: Resist! Inspired by the French Resistance Can you solve clues and puzzles





Senior (60+) £8.80 Children (5-17) Under 5s

For more information on upcoming events please visit the website



Operation:Spies

27th and 28th October

Complete challenges and

crack codes together to

find a mystery object

hidden in the museum

and Lies

The D-Day Story, Clarence Esplanade, Portsmouth, PO5 3NT

Email: theddaystory@portsmouthcc.gov.uk











Portsmouth School Library Service **ParentNewsletter** Autumn 1 2025

Here are some of the exciting, low cost, local events for children and young people coming up during the holidays.

Public Libraries- Half Term Activities

There are a range of spooky themed activities for children to enjoy during the half term holiday. All activities are free and drop in unless specified otherwise so come along and enjoy the eerie excitement!





- Thursday 30th October, 10am Halloween Scary Storytime
- Thursday 30th October, 2pm: Halloween Craft Activity Halloween
- Scavenger Hunt during half-term: Find all the pumpkins and get a

- Friday 31st October, 11am to 12pm: Spooky craft. Event is free but booking in person at Beddow Library is essential
- Friday 31st October, 10am; Spooky story time
- Drop-inactivity running all week: Colour a Halloween mask
- Rat hunt running all week

Carnegie Library

- Friday 31st October, 10.30am to 12pm: Wizards and Witches event design and make a witch or wizard hat and star wand. Plus stories, craft and colouring, Learn about Harry Potter, the witches in the Wizard of 02 and other famous witches. All ages welcome but younger children will need adult support for the hat making. Free but becoking assential call 023 9282 2581 or email zamgle_libruny@portsmothcc.gov.uk
- Autumn trail starting on Monday 20th October running through until Christmas

Thursday 30th October, 2pm to 3pm: Spooky stories and skeleton craft. Be prepared to be scared! Age 6+

- Tuesday 28th October, 11am; Ghost making craft activity Thursday
- Thursday 30th October, 2pm: Spooky Storytime (and optional craft)

North End

Tuesday 28th October, 11am: Autumn crafts activity. Free, but please book in person at North End Library.

Paulsgrove Library

- Monday 27th October: Silly Pumpkins craft. Free and drop-in all day
- Friday 31st October: Bouncing Spiders craft. Free and drop-in all day

Thursday 30th October, 10.30am = 12.30pm: K-Pop Demon Hunter. Craft Activity. Get ready to unleash your inner herol Join us for a thrilling morning of creativity as we dive into the world of K-Pop Demon Hunters. Design and craft your own epic swords, mystical gear, and other demon-slaying accessories inspired by the dazzling style and energy of K-Pop fantasy worlds. Whether you're a fan of flerce fashion, dramatic battles, or just love making cool stuff—this is your chance to shine!

Cumberland House Natural History Museum



Come and meet the Bird Aware Rangers and discover the incredible coastal birds that visit our Solent shores from around the world.

There will be hands on activities, games and free bird guides and recording forms to

take home

Wednesday 29 October, 10.30am until noon, 1.30pm until 3pm. Get close up to

some of the owls our natural history collections and dissect an owl pellet to discover the remains of an owl's meal.

Family friendly workshop at Portsmouth Natural History Museum, suitable for

age 5+.

All children must be accompanied by an adult. Limited spaces, booking advised. Tel: 02392 834779



















Be prepared to be scared this Halloween half-term as the museum will feature haunted galleries and a spooky trail running every day. £2 or 50p with a Leisure Card.

We also have a range of spooky craft activities. £3 or £1 with a Leisure Card.

Just drop-in on the day, morning session 10.30am until noon, 1.30pm until 3pm.

Monday 27 October - Hanging bats.

Tuesday 28 October - Milk bottle spooky lantern.

Wednesday 29 October - Pinecone spiders.

Thursday 30 October - Pet ghost in a jar. Friday 31 October - Sun catcher creatures.

Port Solent- Magic Show



Get ready to have lots of fun at our free children's events this October.

Bring the little ones along for entertainment and magic sessions with Silly Scott – why not come along in your best spooky costumes! Thursday 30th October – Silly Scott sessions at: 11am, 12.30pm, and 2pm.

The Creation Station will also be here with craft activities for our little visitors between

Have a wonderful half term!



















King's Academy College Park 2025 - 2026 School Calendar

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School Closed



Bank Holiday



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Wednesday 3rd September 2025 Friday 24th October 2025 Friday 5th December 2025 Friday 13th February 2026 Tuesday 21st July 2026 Wednesday 22nd July 2026







DATES

PLEASE SEE A LIST OF ALL CHRISTMAS EVENTS WE WILL BE RUNNING. PARENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE EVENTS WHICH ARE HIGHLIGHTED WITH THIS SYMBOL





INFANT HALL

WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER, 9.30AM: SQUIRREL & RABBIT THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER, 9.30AM: FOX & HEDGEHOG ONLY 2 SPECTATORS PER CHILD PLEASE



FAMILIES' CAROL SERVICE

THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER **CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION**

ARRIVE FROM 3.30PM, SERVICE AT 5PM





KACP CHRISTMAS FAYRE!

FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER 3.15PM

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW





TUESDAY 16TH DECEMBER

9:30AM: PANDA & PANGOLIN

2:15PM: TIGER & BINTURONG

ONLY 2 SPECTATORS PER CHILD PLEASE



WINTER JUMPER DAY

WEDNESDAY 17TH DECEMBER WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE WINTER JUMPER AND BRING A SUGGESTED DONATION OF £1 — ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO **DIRECTLY TOWARDS SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL.**















WEDNESDAY 17TH DECEMBER: WHOLE SCHOOL







FRIDAY 19TH DECEMBER
CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
INFANT 9.30AM
JUNIOR 10.30AM



SCHOOL WILL BE FINISHING AT 1.00PM (INFANTS) & 1.05PM (JUNIORS) ON FRIDAY 19TH DECEMBER. CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THEIR USUAL PLAYGROUND/CLASSROOM DOOR. IF YOUR CHILD ATTENDS KIDS CLUB THEY WILL BE SUPERVISED IN THE AFTERNOON.

KIDS CLUB WILL RUN UNTIL THE NORMAL TIME OF 5.30PM.

