

KPS NEWS

YOUR TERMLY NEWSLETTER FROM KIELDER PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY



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Headteacher's message

And just like that, another academic year has come and gone!

I want to start by thanking our children for being the amazing people they are. All of us at KPS get up in the morning knowing we are coming to work at the best school in Northumberland (in my humble opinion!).

I also wish to recognise the hard work of each and every member of staff; all of them work incredibly hard to ensure that our pupils are safe, happy and learning to the best of their ability.

This term, we hosted Bellingham Primary School after their building was severely flooded. It was lovely to have a full school and we made the most of our time together by learning, playing, eating, cycling and doing sports together.

It's been a jam-packed term so please read on to see what we've been up to.

Looking ahead to September, I intend to build on the momentum created since January in terms of building positive relationships with the community and continuing to hone our curricular and extracurricular offer to meet the needs of all of our pupils.

In the meantime, have a lovely Summer break!

Lee Ferris
Headteacher



KPS setting the sporting standard

Here at Kielder Primary School, we take up any opportunity to take part in sport, especially with our fellow partnership schools. This term has seen our pupils being especially active, with sports including golf, dodgeball and cricket.

We were particularly proud of Class 2 when they won at the dodgeball festival at Corbridge Middle School. Well done to Max for scoring the winning shot!

This is all part of our commitment to keeping our children fit and healthy, as well as promoting our partnership with other schools.



Class 2 celebrate winning at the dodgeball festival in May.



Our pupils enjoying some golf at Greenhaugh Primary School

Charity supperstars

Our children take their commitment to charity very seriously. This term, they have raised money for two very important cancer charities; Tynedale Hospice at Home and Children's Cancer North. Our Big Summer Picnic raised £131, followed by our Cancer Run. The money is still rolling in for this but we have raised in excess of £150.

Well done and thank you so much to those who support our children in raising money for these all-important causes.



Celebrating some amazing performances in our sponsored Cancer Run



Enjoying a summer picnic and games in aid of Tynedale Hospice at Home

Teacher feature

Michelle Bond

Michelle manages our nursery, teaching our youngest children the very basics to prepare them for life at school. She always has a smile on her face and works closely with Miss Little on our Early Years provision.



DID YOU KNOW?

Michelle lived on the Isle of Lewis in the Outer Hebrides for many years and still has family there!

The wider world: Origami and Africa with members of the community

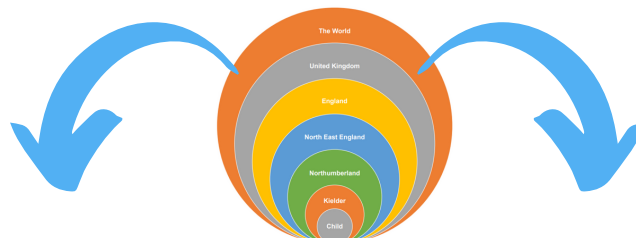
Our curriculum is based on a vision that places our pupils at the centre of several 'orbits'. We want them to understand and appreciate their immediate surroundings (their village, region and country) but also the wider world.

We were so pleased when Shoko and Mani, who live in Kielder Village, offered to come into school to show our children the Japanese art of origami. Over two sessions, the pupils learned how to use this traditional paper-folding technique to make helmets and frogs. They had great fun!

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Then, Sarah Traut, one of our parents, kindly offered to come into school to share some of her experiences from her time in Africa. As you can see, even Miss Hickie got dressed up!

We love welcoming visitors into school, especially when they help our children to understand the wider world and are so grateful for Shoko, Mani and Sarah's time and effort.



Excellence through learning outside the classroom

Here at KPS, we offer our pupils many opportunities to learn outside of the classroom. Just this term, we have taken part in:

- Partnership school sports events
- Singing with Jenny Mahler, Kielder's Composer in Residence
- Recording with artist Zoe Connel as part of the 'Beneath our Feet' project
- 'Travelling to Pentecost' school trail at Simonburn church
- Meta4 Dance and Football Workshop at Dance City in Newcastle
- A French workshop and show by Théâtre Sans Frontières

and many more!

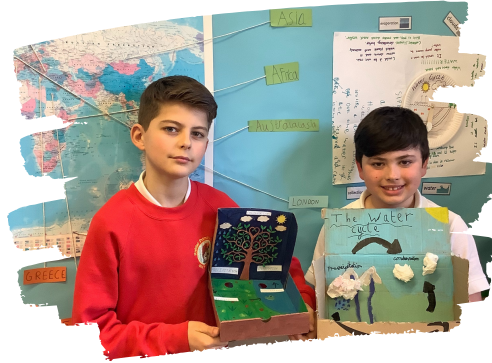
REMHINDER

Please remember that the new school year begins on 4th September for staff and 5th September for pupils.

Also, the school day will start at 8:50am with pupils expected to be on site for 8:45am.



Goodbye & Good Luck



Sadly, we are saying goodbye to Connor Pringle (Year 6) and Blake Jones (Year 5).

Connor will be joining Year 7 at Haydon Bridge High School in September, with Blake going to Bellingham Middle School.

Blake has been with us since nursery and has really shone in terms of sport, as well as being an excellent role model to our younger children.

Connor has been with us since last December and has really impressed us all with his kindness and friendliness.

BEST OF LUCK TO BLAKE AND CONNOR!

Happy Summer

from everyone here at

