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Summer 2 ~ May 2012

KINGSMEAD SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Parents & Carers,

Blimey, what a week! Thank you to all those who wished us well for Ofsted and supported their school by coming in, returning questionnaires and, not least, by bringing your children up so nicely. Our children are an enthusiastic lot with a thirst for learning; a credit to their parents and teachers.

Inspectors spoke of children with maturity beyond their years. Much of their learning and work was described as 'stunning.' The lead inspector commented that playtime was "as damn near perfect as you'd expect to see." I do not delude myself that 211 children on a field on a hot day would achieve these lofty heights without an army of adults supporting them! From parents at home instilling good manners and self discipline; teachers at school encouraging independence and leadership; to mid-day assistants who deal sensitively with issues and ensure children are safe and happy at less structured times of the day. Well done all!

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Salute Cordiale,

C Stewart ~ headteacher

caring for ourselves . . .

Changing time of School Day ~ Thank you to parents, staff, governors and children for their comments and opinions regarding the changing of the school hours from September. I can confirm that from September 2012 children in Reception will finish at 3.05pm, in Year 1 and 2 at 3.10pm and children in Years 3-6 at 3.15pm. This gives everyone an hour for lunch and parents time to get from classroom to classroom. Teachers have all been reminded that they need to dismiss the children out promptly.

. . . other people . . .

Jubilee Celebration ~ Mrs Belisari and the School Community Council have been working hard on our Jubilee Picnic on the school field. We really look forward to seeing you on Sunday for an afternoon of patriotic fun! The band will perform from 1.30, Ofsted inspectors confirm they are well worth a listen!

. . . and our environment

Recycled Greenhouse ~ A big thank you to Mr Delahunty who worked his socks off in erecting the frame for our recycled greenhouse. It is a testament to the healthy eating habits of the Kingsmead children that we are still short of 2 litre bottles. If you have any, green or white, please send them (washed out please) into school where Mrs Lewis will help the Gardening Club transform them into beautiful panels for the greenhouse.

coming up...

Saturday 3rd June

Jubilee picnic

Monday 11th June

INSET Day

Wednesday 13th June

Year 4 meeting for Conway residential in September 2012. 6pm.

Wednesday 20th June

Band to Cheshire Show after school (have had a letter!)

Monday 25th June

A big welcome to Mr Daniel Jansen from Lourier Primary School, Cape Town.

25-26th June

Year 2 Pettypool residential

Saturday 30th June

KFA Summer Fair

Headteachers from local High Schools are coming to meet parents to tell you something about their schools and also to answer any questions you may have. Of interest to parents and carers of children in Years 4 and 5 who will be making decisions sooner than they think! All events are from 6pm.

Weaverham ~ Mr Charlton-Thursday 31st May

Leftwich ~ Miss Brandreth Thursday 21st June

Hartford CE ~ Mr Holland Wednesday 27th June

University of Chester Academy, Northwich ~ Mr Wood Tuesday 3rd July

I look forward to seeing you there.