



# Kineton Green Primary School

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## Head Teacher's News



### BE CONFIDENT

We hope you all have an enjoyable half term, don't forget it's Pancake Day on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February.

### BE A LIFE LONG LEARNER

#### Joe Roebuck – Olympic Swimmer!

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February, Joe Roebuck came to our school to get the children active with different fun activities. The children enjoyed the chance to raise money for the GB team while meeting one of our successful Olympians.

After the fitness session, Joe gave an inspirational talk and the children enjoyed asking him questions about his career. Joe discussed how he continued to persevere with his dream to win gold at London 2012 and showed the children his silver medals.



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## School Council—Dates for Your Diary

**Friday 17th March - Red nose day** Children are able to wear a red nose or something red. Donations can be made online through the school just giving page.

[www.justgiving.com/rednoseday23-kineton-green-primary-school](http://www.justgiving.com/rednoseday23-kineton-green-primary-school)

**Monday 24th April** - Bake sale to raise funds for Dogs Trust. Details to follow later.

## Parents Evenings

Thank you to all those parents/carers who attended parents evening last week, we hope you found them informative and useful in order to support your children at home.

## BE SAFE AND HEALTHY

### Nuts!

Please can I remind all parents that Kineton Green Primary school is a nut free school. We have children on roll with severe nut allergies. Please do not send your child in with anything that contains nuts or traces of nuts in food provided for their packed lunch or snack. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

### Safety Concerns

A number of concerns have been received that parents are leaving young children alone in cars whilst parents drop off their siblings to school. Please can I ask, for the children's safety, that children are taken out of cars and brought into the school grounds whilst siblings are being dropped off.

We have also had reports that some children are not being placed into cars seats or have seatbelts fitted. This is extremely dangerous and in the event of sudden braking could result on a severe injury.

### Auto-Injector

The Solihull School Nursing Service will no longer be completing annual updates of Allergy Care Plans held in school. All children under the age of 16 years old should be referred to and receive appropriate care from a Specialist Allergy Clinic Service provision.

If your child has recently been prescribed an Adrenalin Auto-Injector by the GP, without an Allergy Care Plan being provided for School, School Nursing can complete an Allergy Care Plan to cover this interim period whilst an assessment with the Specialist Allergy Clinic Service provision is awaited.

Note: All parents/carers of a child aged 6 years old, or above, who remains on the 0.15mg dosage of Adrenaline Auto-Injector, should contact their GP and /or Allergy Clinic, to request a review, due to a dosage increase may be required.

If you have any further queries regarding this, or require any advice, could we ask you to contact the School Nursing Team or the family GP and/or the Specialist Allergy Clinic Service Provision.

For further information, please contact:

**Solihull School Nurse Team** [swg-tr.schoolnurses@nhs.net](mailto:swg-tr.schoolnurses@nhs.net)

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

*27th February 2023—Back to School*

*2nd March 2023—World Book Day  
(dressing up for £1)*

*6th to 10th March 2023—Scholastic Book  
Fair Visiting*

*17th March 2023—Red Nose Day (wear  
red)*

*31st March 2023—Break up for Easter  
Break*

*17th April 2023—Back to School*

*24th April 2023—Bake Sale for Dogs Trust*

*4th May 2023—Inset Day*

*8th May 2023—Bank Holiday—Coronation  
of His Majesty King Charles*

*26th May 2023—Break up for Half Term*

*5th June 2023—Back to School*

*7th July 2023—Inset Day*

*25th July 2023—Term Ends*



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## The School Drive—Dropping off at Beehive

Please could I remind parents dropping off at Beehive, before 8am in the morning, to give priority to and give way to cars entering the site. It is dangerous to have to back out into a busy road and far safer to wait further down the drive where it is possible for two cars to pass each other. Please can I ask parents to avoid squeezing past another car at the narrowest part of the drive and to ensure they wait for the barrier to fully open before proceeding down the drive to avoid any damage being done to the gates or any cars.

## Safe Parking!

Please can I remind parents and carers, again, to park considerately and legally in order to ensure our pupils can have a safe journey to school. Other concerned parents have sent pictures of cars not only parked unsafely and causing a danger to pedestrians but also parked illegally. Last week more pictures were sent into school of cars parked dangerously and illegally on the yellow zigzag lines and double yellow lines. Please can I request that the owners of this vehicle park more considerately. Cars and registration numbers doing this have and will be passed onto the police.

## BE RESPECTFUL

### Teacher Strike Action

I recently sent out a letter to all parents informing you of the planned strike action by one of the teaching unions (the first of these days has already passed). Kineton Green does have members of this union who may be striking on the following days:

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023

As the head teacher I will endeavour to minimise the disruption to pupils and ensure the school stays open as far as possible whilst following legal restraints as to the action I can and cannot take to cover classes. This may mean that certain classes may be affected and may be unable to attend on these dates. As soon as I have news for the next date, 1<sup>st</sup> March I will be in contact with further details.

## Uniform

Please could I ask that all pupils wear appropriate foot wear – please see the school website for details. Shoes, not ankle boots or trainers (unless a P.E day) should be worn.

Please can I also remind parents and children that any child who has hair long enough to be tied back, should be fully tied back. Hair tied back just at the sides still poses a safety risk. Pony tail, bunches, plaits, French braids etc, are all suitable styles.

## Start of the day arrangements

As a school we have been looking at the start of day arrangements. We have decided to change these arrangements which we would like to implement after the February half term. The arrangements detailed below should stagger the arrival of children into the cloak-rooms and classrooms, alleviating the number of children in these areas. We hope it will also be beneficial in terms of the weather, as this system will be suitable come rain or shine.

Children can arrive through the gates to the courts (the way they enter currently) but instead of going onto the courts they will go straight into school via the door next to the year 3 classroom. A member of staff will still be on the gate and one by the entrance to the school/classrooms. Staff will be on hand in the corridors and classrooms to welcome children. Please note that pupils can still arrive from 8.35am -8.45am. Lessons commence at 8.50am and all children should be in, ready to start their learning at this time. If they arrive after 8.45am they will miss the start of lessons.





## Baby News—It's a Boy!



Congratulations to Miss Crowe and her Fiance on the arrival of their new bundle of joy—a bouncing baby boy was born today at 5.17am. Both mother and baby are doing well.



## Solihull Energy Household Support Fund – Apply now! Closing end of March 2023

New funding for the Solihull Energy Household Support Fund has been made available to those most in need this winter through until the end of March 2023.

The Solihull Energy Household Support Fund is **now open** for new applications for **£147** for their energy bills! **Solihull Energy Household Support Fund**

Support provided:

- Help with fuel bills and fuel debt, and
- Servicing of boilers and repairs/replacement of broken boilers and heating systems

Provided through Act on Energy for **vulnerable** residents meeting certain criteria:

- have an annual gross total household income of **less than £30,000**,
- receive a DWP benefit, free school meals **or** referral from a school, foodbank, charity, health & care organisation, etc. **and also have**
- Have **no** household savings
- And someone living in the home with a vulnerability

Full criteria and details together with the online application form for support with energy bills is available on our website [SOLIHULL HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND - Act On Energy](#)

In addition, Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council have also set up a range of provision to provide support to vulnerable residents. There is a dedicated webpage which summarises the support available [Here2Help | solihull.gov.uk](#)

## Household support – February half term 2023

A payment of £15 per child will be provided as food support for families in receipt of benefits-related free school meals, for the February half term period. Vouchers will be issued by the start of the holiday. Our Here2Help (<https://www.solihull.gov.uk/COVID-19/here2help>) provide details of additional food provision and essential utilities to support families with children, other vulnerable households and individuals. Our HAF Activities page (<https://www.solihull.gov.uk/children-and-family-support/Holiday-Activities-Food-Programme>) provides information on activities which are free to children on benefits-related free school meals during the Christmas, Easter and Summer school holidays. You can keep up to date with future HAF activities by signing up to our HAF Stay Connected alerts (<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKSOLIHULL/subscriber/new>).

For more information, please contact

**Education Free School Meals Team**

[edfreesm@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:edfreesm@solihull.gov.uk)

## Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal

Thank you for your incredibly generous donations for the Turkey/Syria Earthquake appeal. So far we have raised an amazing £311.50 for DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee). Your kindness and generosity is very much appreciated.



## Book Week—27th February to 3rd March

Please see separate communication that was sent out on Friday 17th February detailing all the events taking place during book week.



# Gold Book



Class	w/c 30th January 2023	w/c 6th February 2023	w/c 13th February 2023	Bees Knees 
FS1—Gold Award	Ellie A	Rayan M	Mason B	Eloise N
Gold Award	Lucy L	Ri'iyad A	Jaxon B	
Bee Award	Kori C	Scarlett W	Lara B	
F52—Gold Award	Peace W	Ubaid A	Evie S	Arya J
Gold Award	Ariya C-M	Reece J	Billy G	
Bee Award	Yousuf P-R	Arya J	Ariya C-M	
Year 1—Gold Award	Nyall A	Emilia T	Yusuf R	Emila T
Gold Award	Charlie L	Charlie L	Lola-Rose McD	
Bee Award	Caiden-Scott E	Ruben P	Leo W	
Year 2—Gold Award	James S	Elsie Q	Noor A	Ella M
Gold Award	Yasmina A	Danish R	Alfie R	
Bee Award	Elisah K-B	Luca D	Kenon P	
Year 3—Gold Award	Joshua R	Charlie T	Ethan M	Lily-Mae B
Gold Award	Lily-Mae B	Elise H	Max R	
Bee Award	Levi S	Luke B	Matthew B	
Year 4—Gold Award	Sanchez S	Mia B	George W	Beatrice R
Gold Award	Lucy A	Sundheep R	Zain H	
Bee Award	Leo S	Chloe O'M & Isabella H	Oliver Q	
Year 5—Gold Award	Dylan M	Darcy J	Sachin McC	Mohammed U
Gold Award	Logan S	Inayah Z	Max W	
Bee Award	Amber P	Layla W	Harley-Joel G	
Year 6—Gold Award	Daisy I	Taio B	Peyton H	Safa A
Gold Award	Shaurya I	Charlie W	Hollie W	
Bee Award	Advika P	Mayah N	Muhammed G	

 Congratulations!