

# Kingsmoor News



Spring Term

15<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Number 3

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING ENTRY TO THE SCHOOL**

On Friday (INSET day) we are having an entry and intercom system fitted to the school entrance gates. This will mean that during school hours no person or vehicle will be able to enter the premises without contact with the office via the intercom system on the right hand side pedestrian gate.

The gates will be unlocked first thing in the morning to allow you to drop off your children for either breakfast club (from 8:00hrs) or school (from 8:50hrs).

The gates will then be locked from approximately 09:10hrs and remain locked for the rest of the school day until they are deactivated at 15:25hrs for collection of your children.

The timings will be reviewed after an introductory period.

The office will have an emergency override system to allow emergency access and exit when necessary.

## **A FEW HEALTH AND SAFETY REMINDERS**

### **Parking and Road Safety**

Please park with consideration for residents, pedestrians and through traffic at our normal peak times and be particularly aware of your impact if attending school events eg Christmas Fair, Bingo, Plays etc.

Please do not park immediately outside of the school gates unless you have specific permission or in such a way that the school bus cannot get through.

### **Speeding**

Please be aware of your speed on approach and exit to the village. A number of parents/residents have raised concerns due to the narrow lanes and roads.

### **Early Arrivals and Unaccompanied children**

Please help with the safe supervision of your child, regardless of their age, by not allowing them unaccompanied onto the school grounds before 8.50am. Earlier arrivals with parents may stay together on the playground/drive until the classrooms are opened.

Unfortunately some children are regularly seen running to the school gates and beyond unaccompanied or out of reach. This happens on the way in and out of school. My chilling reminder is that so far we have not had an injury caused by inadequate precautions. **Statistics suggest it's a matter of time before there is an accident.**

**PLEASE do everything you can to extend this time for as long as possible**

Thank you for your cooperation.

## **MEDICINES**

A reminder of school procedures for medicines in school – If it is agreed between parents and the Headteacher that *exceptional circumstances* apply, then special arrangements can be made for the administration of **PRESCRIBED medicines**. Parents should complete an “Authorisation and Medicine Detail Recording Form” which can be obtained from the school office.

Please do not send children into school with non-prescription medicines such as throat and cough sweets, headache or cold mixtures, skin creams, or Calpol and Ibuprofen.

## HEADLICE

For some families this is a very frustrating problem. Regardless of how well an individual family responds to an outbreak and which products are used, the infestation reoccurs.

Nowadays, the Local Health Authority advise against schools from sending out individual letters notifying parents of head lice.

The only way to eradicate the problem is for the whole school to be 'free from head lice' and **parents to continually check their children's hair.**

Combing through wet hair regularly with a fine comb and conditioner is said to be the most effective preventative available. Please use a fine comb on your child's wet hair as frequently as possible.

**Reminders like this will reappear periodically indicating that headlice have been recently reported in the school** - At the moment it seems that we are having an outbreak in most of the classes.

## KINGSMOOR FRIENDS

### UP AND COMING KINGSMOOR FRIENDS EVENTS

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March - Easter Bingo** – Doors open at 6.00 Eyes down 6.30pm.

**Friday 31st March** - Easter Egg Hunt

Thanks to your kind donations and support of events, Kingsmoor Friends have pledged donations of £500 towards scientific explorer equipment for outdoor use and £1000 towards Reading books.

The Staff and Governors want to express their appreciation of the efforts that lead to these great resources for the children.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

<b>Mar</b>	17	School Closed - INSET
	21	Class 2/3 trip to Dunster (details to follow)
	22-24	Year 5 and 6 Residential Trip to Kilve
	24	Year 2 Sports Fest at BCA
	24	Kingsmoor Friends Easter Bingo Doors open 6.00pm Eyes down 6.30pm
	28&29	Parents Evenings
<b>Apr</b>	3-17	Easter Holiday
<b>April</b>	18	Start of Summer Term
<b>May</b>	1	School Closed – May Bank Holiday
	8 - 11	Year 6 SATS week
	26	Kingsmoor's Dance Festival
<b>May/June</b>	29 - 2	Half Term Holidays
<b>June</b>	23	School Closed – INSET
	26	School Closed – INSET
	30	Area Sports (selected Athletes)
<b>July</b>	14	Kingsmoor Sports Afternoon
	19	Annual Awards Ceremony
	21	Year 6 Leavers assembly at 10.30 and last day of school
	24	School Closed – INSET