

NEWSLETTER 13

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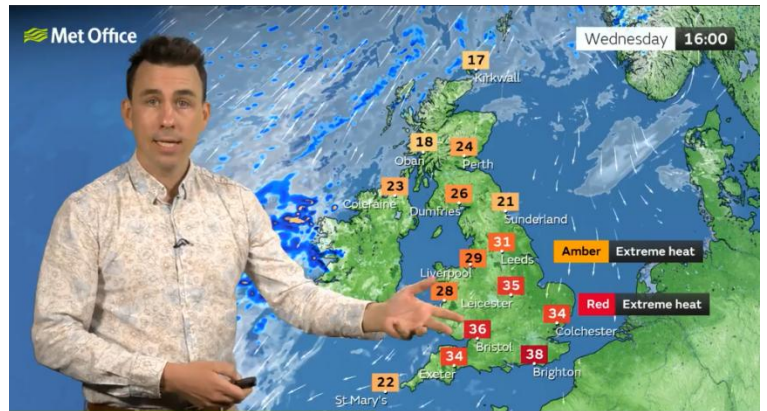
VALUE OF THE TERM – FRIENDSHIP

“Encourage one another and build each other up”
The Bible - 1 Thessalonians 5 v11

RESPECT **I**MPROVE **S**UCCEED **E**XCEL

Dear Parents and Friends of the school,

Whilst we acknowledge that temperatures are still expected to be high tomorrow (Friday) we will attempt a relatively normal day. Even so, cool clothing remains essential, as do sun hats, water bottles and sun screen applied before school. Staff have been briefed about safe activities in class, we will insist on regular hydration and well-ventilated rooms. Today has been helped by relatively comfortable breezes.



On Friday there will be no RISE assembly. The 'Show my Learning' event starts at 2:30. Please come and see what the children have been learning. The book fair will be available from then until after school. Only attend if you deem it safe to do so.

A double number of RISE assembly certificates will be awarded next week, on Thursday. On Friday we attend our much-anticipated Whole School Trip to Slimbridge!

My thanks go to all the staff who have 'kept their cool', entertaining the children across the course of the last 2 days.

Transition Mornings

Next week we hope to hold our planned 'transition days.' Y6 will be at their secondary schools on Tuesday and Wednesday. Our new Reception will be joining us and every child to get a taste of their next class as we all 'move up'. Next year Class 2 (our new Y3 and Y4 year groups) will be taught in the room currently used by Y5 & Y6 (who will move to the mobile classroom) at the rear of the school.

Am I Dreaming?

Year 5 & 6 have been focussed on their summer production – 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' which they will present to an appreciative audience on Wednesday 8th at 2:00 p.m. and then again at 6:00 p.m. We are very excited!

School Governor Role

We have a Parent Governor role, which we would like to fill as soon possible. If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor, please complete a nomination form. Further details are on our Recruitment Page (see above).

Safeguarding

A new page, supporting parents with resources for helping children stay safe online, has been added to the website. You can find this on the 'Parents' tab.

On a separate topic, can parents leaving the school site via the small 'pedestrian gate' please check that the magnetic lock has fully engaged behind them. Thank you.

A new SchoolPing app version has been released

(This may be old news!) A new version of the SchoolPing app is now available to download for both iPhone and Android users. All users should upgrade to the latest version as soon as possible. Please click on the title link to see further details about what is included in this release.

Scooters and Bikes

Thank you to the parents overheard this week supporting us in discouraging the children from riding & scooting in the school playground. You may have helped to prevent an accident!

End-of-Year Parental Reports – REMINDER & UPDATE

Well done – we now have at least 1 email address for every child. We can generate more than 1 email per child, for those with 'Parental Responsibility' if you so wish. Please talk to the office. The projected delivery date for end-of-year reports is Monday 13th July.

Whole School Photo

Tomorrow, we hope that every child will take home the 'proofs' of the whole school photo taken earlier in the term. We have contacted the photographer who will remove the dot you can see after the "C" in C of E, and attempt to zoom in so that each child is visibly larger than can be seen now. If you can imagine these changes, the online portal will be ready to take your order. Early orders can still escape the individual P&P costs, so please order these BY FRIDAY 3RD AT THE VERY LATEST.

LAST CHANCE - Parent Survey 2026

The survey closes TOMORROW and will be of immense value to our incoming Head Teacher and the governors.

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=ncetcp73A0qbBzCeEBM2NcXEAY6R4OJMkXVtKpPUkW1UME9QUdkzSzIQV42UVhKWIZTWkY3N1NCVi4u> It takes just 2 minutes (11 questions).

THINK. It is ILLEGAL TO PARK on zig zag lines outside a school. Potentially, it endangers all our children.

Important Dates, Term 6, Summer 2026

Find the school year dates on our website – <https://www.kempshamschool.com/school-hours-and-term-dates/>

Weds 24 th to Mon 29 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Our 'Book Fair' is open	Please support reading and the school.
Friday 26 th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">"Come and See My Learning" afternoon	Children would be delighted to see you in school from 2:30 p.m. They would love to talk you through what they have done and - more importantly - what they have LEARNT!
SATURDAY 27 th	Mud Madness	Please support our school. Ask for details.
Tuesday 30 th June & Wednesday 1 st July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Y6 Transition Day to Farmor's School	'Moving up' days for those left on site, PLUS a warm welcome to our next 'Reception' class!
Friday 3 rd July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Slimbridge WWT trip	Arrive and depart at normal school times please. We will decide on uniform, or not, closer to the 3 rd .
Monday 6 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Sport's DayNO SWIMMING (SEE 13th)	Details to follow
Wednesday 8 th July 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Class 3 performance of ...	A Midsummer Night's Dream – details to follow.
Monday 13 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">LAST SWIM for Years 3, 4 & 5	
Monday 13 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Projected release of end-of-year reports	Details to follow
Tuesday 14 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Y6 Leaver's Service at Church	We meet at 10:00 a.m. in St Mary's Church
Thursday 16 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">End of Term 6 for pupils. Pickup at 1:30 please.	Have a wonderful summer!
17 th and 20 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Teacher INSET days.	Final record keeping, data analysis training, policy revision and preparing for the next chapter!