

### The Meadow

It has been a very busy term in Foundation Department. The Bumblebees and Ladybirds have been preparing for summer with their theme of 'We Are Going To The Seaside' and exploring all the sensory play of sand and water. We have been making some magical sandcastles and have really enjoyed knocking them down. Our Dragonflies, Fireflies and Butterflies have been looking at pets and farm animals this term. They had a great time on their farm trip. We have also had our sponsored 'Bubble Pop' to raise money for our WWF elephant. We all had a lot of fun seeing how many bubbles we could pop, blowing lots of bubbles and playing with the soapy, bubbly water. The whole department came together and it was a wonderful opportunity for us all!



### The Woods

Even without the summer sunshine, the Middles Department has had a brilliant time learning about the Victorians in 'Home Sweet Home' and creating stunning pieces of art in 'Arty Animals.' In the Home Sweet Home theme, children got to explore life as a Victorian child, both rich and poor and how our homes are similar yet different when compared to the Victorian times. We learnt that poor children went to work as chimney sweepers, cotton mill workers and even pick pockets! We even experienced a Victorian classroom – we did not like that much! Although we enjoyed washing clothes the old-fashioned way, it was very tiring and hard work. Our next theme of 'Arty Animals' has given us opportunities to explore different methods such as Cubism and Pointillism and to learn about famous artists such as Picasso and Steven Brown. Within this theme, we have been reading stories that teach us how important it is to look after our planet by keeping our oceans clean and recycling our rubbish. We were very excited to come together and create four large pieces of art, each using a different artistic method.



### The Aviary

We have had such an amazing term. The children have had lots of 'Wow' experiences. In the first week, we watched 'The Wizard of Oz' as a live performance in school. We've had a residential week in the Isle of Wight. The children visited the beach, a zoo, 'Blackgang Chine' theme park and even the National Poo Museum. We had so much fun! The children had a beautiful Year 6 leavers celebration, they looked absolutely gorgeous in their outfits. It was very sad to see them go but we know they all have a solid foundation to build on. We wish them all the best of luck and look forward to seeing them again at future events.



### The Ocean

This term, Starfish, Terrapins, Turtles, Jellyfish and Seahorses have had such a wonderful time with our theme "Oh I Do Like To Be Beside The Seaside". We have learnt what we can find when we go to the seaside exploring what animals live there. We have also tried lots of exciting foods such as fish and chips, candy floss, prawns, crab sticks, popcorn and we have made our own ice cream too! To finish with a bang, all the classes got together and had a lovely beach day at Kingsley with paddling pools, sand pits, some of the foods we've been trying and lots of traditional seaside games. We have had an amazing time and the children loved it, what a lovely way to finish the year!



### The Family Support Team

This term we have had lots of drop in sessions - Powerful Voices and Speech & Language Therapists, Thrive Occupational Therapists as well as a representative from Mind. We also had the Summer Fayre, it was so lovely to see so many families attend, thank you for making the day such a success! We are already planning lots of events for the next school year, we hope you have a lovely summer!

### Sensory Room Update

After many consultations with different companies, we are excited to let you know that the work will go ahead in August so our children will be able to experience the new resources come September. Highlights will be a 30cm diameter bubble tube, an illuminated ball pool, a sensory projector with amazing effects, tactile panels and an ultraviolet light area.

### Thank you

We'd like to say a special thank you to Bahadur Singh Nagra , WJ Road Markings, Chevron Traffic Management, Bridge, Highway Maintenance Ltd, PGR Construction Ltd, Phoenix Surfacing Ltd, Speck Carpentry Ltd, Kier Transportation, EM Pell & Partners and Nordis Signs for all your support with the development of our new Cube Sensory Garden and the amazing paint markings on both our playgrounds.

Lastly, a huge congratulations and thank you to Stephanie Wakefield for completing a Sky Dive in aid of Kingsley, which raised £1580 and then her employer, Barclays Bank, who added another £1000 giving us a total of £2580 donated to the school. What an achievement!



### Message from Ben

As the end of the term approaches, I want to express my deepest gratitude for your ongoing support and partnership this year. Our pupils have achieved many extraordinary things, thanks to your unwavering commitment to our shared mission of helping every learner achieve their individual goals. It has been a year filled with challenges and triumphs, and I am incredibly proud of the achievements of our wonderful children. Their enthusiasm, resilience, and sense of fun continue to inspire and delight, and they should rightly feel proud of all they have achieved.

I would like to express my gratitude to our hardworking staff, who have shown unwavering commitment to providing our pupils with the best education and experiences. The skills and talents of this incredible team are surpassed only by their dedication to our school, and for this, I am truly thankful.

I'd like to wish all of our Year 6 leavers and their families every success at their new schools in September. We have shared many wonderful times together, and we look forward to finding out what future adventures await you. Know that you will forever be part of our Kingsley family. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new pupils and their families. We are excited to have you join our community.

As we look to the year ahead, we contemplate the opportunities, changes, and challenges that lie ahead. We eagerly anticipate journeying with you once again, as we guide and support our pupils along their chosen paths.

I'd like to wish all our Kingsley families a happy and healthy summer. Have fun, make memories, relax, and recharge. We look forward to welcoming the children back for another year of discovery and joy on Thursday, 5th September.

