

# Newsletter 10 - June 2025

YEAR GROUP TEACHING STAFF	YEAR GROUP PE DAYS	
Year 3 - Miss Faulds (Poplar) and Miss Finn (Chestnut) Mrs Freeland provides additional teaching support through a three-way split in the morning	Wednesday and Thursday	
Year 4 - Mrs Thomson (Rowan) and Miss Brind (Willow)	Monday and Wednesday	
Year 5 -Miss Daly (Hazel) and Miss Winzar (Maple)	Tuesday and Thursday	
Year 6 - Miss Harding (Sycamore) and Mrs Walton (Redwood) Mrs Lovisetto provides additional teaching support through a three way split in the morning	Monday and Friday	
Key dates for January The dates below are for your diary and are also included on the electronic calendar; occasionally they are subject to change		
Monday 2nd June	Back to school	
Monday 2nd June - Friday 13th June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check assessment.	
Tuesday 3rd June	Year 6 swimming	
Wednesday 4th June	Year 5 Spinnaker Tower Trip	
Thursday 5th June	Year 5 Parent event - 13.45	
Monday 9th June	SGO Tennis Event	
Tuesday 10th June	Year 6 swimming	
Wednesday 11th June	'Preparing for secondary school' event at Bay House (16.30-19.00)	
Thursday 12th June	Year 3 Sleepover	
Friday 13th June	Dance Live Fundraiser day - non-uniform, cake/bake sale	
Tuesday 17th June	Year 6 swimming	

Monday 23rd June	<ol> <li>Year 6 STEM morning</li> <li>School football final</li> </ol>		
Tuesday 24th June	Year 6 swimming		
Thursday 26th June	<ol> <li>Hampshire Games</li> <li>Portsmouth News in school to take Y6 Leavers photo</li> </ol>		
Monday 30th June - Tuesday 1st July	St Edmund's Catholic School transition		
Upcoming dates for July (Please note dates will be added to this list in the next newsletter)			
Tuesday 1st July	<ol> <li>St Edmund's Catholic School transition</li> <li>King's Academy Lord Wilson transition</li> <li>Fareham Academy Transition</li> <li>Year 2 Welcome meeting</li> <li>Year 6 swimming</li> </ol>		
Wednesday 2nd July	<ol> <li>King's Academy Lord Wilson transition</li> <li>Fareham Academy Transition</li> </ol>		
Thursday 3rd July	<ol> <li>King's Academy Lord Wilson transition</li> <li>Fareham Academy Transition</li> <li>Year 6 Alver Valley Trip</li> </ol>		
Friday 4th July	<ol> <li>Fareham Academy Transition</li> <li>Year 6 Hunger Games Day</li> <li>Children &amp; parents/carers to be told new classes for 2025-26</li> </ol>		
Monday 7th July	Bridgemary Transition		
Tuesday 8th July	<ol> <li>Bridgemary Transition</li> <li>Brune Park Transition</li> <li>Bay House Transition</li> <li>Crofton Transition</li> <li>King's Academy Rowner Transition day</li> <li>Book Fair arrives at KARo</li> </ol>		
Wednesday 9th July	<ol> <li>Bridgemary Transition</li> <li>Brune Park Transition</li> <li>Bay House Transition</li> <li>Crofton Transition</li> <li>Book Fair at KARo</li> </ol>		
Thursday 10th July	<ol> <li>Bridgemary Transition</li> <li>Cams Hill Transition</li> <li>Book Fair at KARo</li> </ol>		
Friday 11th July	<ol> <li>Bridgemary Transition</li> <li>Cams Hill Transition</li> <li>Book Fair at KARo</li> <li>End of year reports sent home</li> </ol>		
Monday 14th July	Book Fair at KARo		

Tuesday 15th July	Year 6 Fort Purbrook Trip	
Wednesday 16th July	Year 6 Sleepover	
Thursday 17th July	Year 6 Parent picnic	
Friday 18th July	<ol> <li>Last day of term (school finishes at 14.00)</li> <li>Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 13.10</li> </ol>	
Monday 21st - Tuesday 22nd July	INSET days for staff. No children on site	

#### Calendar Dates for academic year 2025-26

Autumn Term 2025	Spring Term 2026	Summer Term 2026
Start: Tuesday 2 September 2025 (INSET day) First day for children: Thursday 4th September. Finish: Friday 19 December 2025 Half term: 27 October – 31 October 2025	Start: Monday 5 January 2026 Finish: Friday 27 March 2026 Half term: 16 – 20 February 2026	Start: Monday 13 April 2026 Finish: Tuesday 21 July 2026 Last day for children: Friday 17 July 2026 Half term: 25 – 29 May 2026
<ul> <li>INSET DAYS</li> <li>Tuesday 02 September 2025</li> <li>Wednesday 03 September 2025</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Friday 05 December 2025</li> <li>Friday 13 February 2026 - KGA Professional Day</li> </ul>	<ul><li>INSET DAYS</li><li>Monday 20 July 2026</li><li>Tuesday 21 July 2026</li></ul>

We know that this has already been shared with parents, however as we approach the end of the year, we wanted to keep this on the newsletter for your reference.

# **Governor Vacancy**

We are currently seeking enthusiastic and committed co-opted governors **and** a parent governor to join our friendly governing body here at King's Academy Rowner. Governors play a vital role in supporting the strategic leadership of the school, ensuring we continue to provide the very best education and opportunities for our children. This is a fantastic opportunity to make a difference in your local community, develop new skills, and be part of a team dedicated to the success and well-being of our school. We welcome individuals from all backgrounds who can bring fresh perspectives, skills, and enthusiasm to the role. If you know someone who would be interested, please:

- Visit our school website for more information about the role and how governors support our school.
- Contact our Chair of Governors, Sue McAdam, directly to express interest or learn more about how you can get involved, smcadam@governor.kgahampshire.uk

Please help us spread the word! If you know anyone who might be interested in becoming a governor, we'd be delighted if you could encourage them to get in touch. Thank you for supporting us as we look to strengthen and grow our governing body.

## **Healthy Snacks for Breaktime**

Last term, we reviewed our approach to healthy snacking and shared this information in our February newsletter. We want to take this opportunity to remind all families about our expectations.

At morning break, *snacks must be healthy*. Suitable options include fruit, vegetables, popcorn, cereal bars, crackers, or yoghurt. These examples—and further guidance—can be found on our school website.

Snacks such as crisps, chocolate bars, biscuits and sweets should be saved for lunchtime or after school. We've shared the reasons before, but they are worth repeating:

- 🥦 Boosting Energy Healthy snacks provide a steady release of energy, helping children stay alert.
- Improving Concentration Nutritious foods support better focus and learning.
- Supporting Growth & Development Healthy snacks contribute essential nutrients.
- Encouraging Good Habits Making good choices at school builds lifelong healthy habits.
- Improving Mood Balanced snacks help children feel more positive and ready to learn.

While no child will go without a snack, those without a healthy option may be asked to choose one from the snacks sent in or be encouraged to bring something more suitable the next day.

We need parents and carers to support this expectation by ensuring your child brings a healthy snack each day. Thank you to the many families who already do this consistently.

We also want to say well done to those using reusable or sustainable packaging. It supports our eco work and sets a brilliant example.

## **Multiplication Tables Check - Year 4**

In the next couple of weeks, Year 4 will be taking part in the Multiplication Tables Checks (MTC). The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether pupils can recall their times tables fluently, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will help schools to identify pupils who have not yet mastered their times tables, so that additional support can be provided.

The checks are due to take place from Monday 2nd June to Friday 13th June. All children will take part in these assessments and the results will be shared with parents in the end of year reports.

The year 4 children have been practising and working towards this throughout the year and we know that they will all try their very best!

#### National Thank a Teacher or Support Staff Member Day

National Thank a Teacher or Support Staff member Day is **Thursday 19 June**. Team Rowner are grateful for each other, their KGA colleagues and for colleagues who teach and support their own children in and around Gosport. The Thank a Teacher campaign recognises ALL staff working in UK schools and colleges; school leaders, teachers, teaching assistants, and all support staff such as lunchtime supervisors, caretakers and cleaners. The campaign exists to celebrate the professionalism, passion and commitment of schools all around the country. So, if you would like to send a **free** card (anonymously or signed) to any member of staff working in any educational establishment you can do so by visiting here. And messages received are valued by the recipient very much.

### **PARKING**

We know that safe and respectful parking is vital to keeping our school community safe—especially at drop-off and pick-up times. If you witness a parking issue that you feel needs further investigation, you can report it using the official Hampshire County Council <u>online form</u>. Please note, this is not a direct request service, and not all reports will result in a patrol visit. However, each report is reviewed, and decisions are made based on local need and available resources.

The information submitted helps the council ensure that parking enforcement teams are focusing their patrols in the areas where they are most needed. This form should only be used to report on-street parking issues across Hampshire (excluding Southampton and Portsmouth, where local councils manage enforcement).

Please also be aware:

- No action can be taken where no parking restrictions exist.
- Parking on a footway can only be investigated if yellow lines or similar restrictions are in place.
- If a vehicle is causing an obstruction or is parked dangerously, this should be reported to the Police.

Thank you for helping us to keep our school site and surrounding area safe for everyone

## Sun safety



We are looking forward to the sun shining and children thoroughly enjoying being outside. To help keep them safe in the sun, please remember sun safety messages: 'slip, slop, slap'. Sun safety experts recommend:

- **Slip** on sun protective, pale clothing that covers as much of your body as possible.
- **Slop** on SPF 30 or higher broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen, at least 20 minutes before sun exposure.
- Slap on a sun hat that shades your face, neck and ears. We do not mind what colour this is.

We have been made aware that some Nivea sun creams now contain almond oil and we do have some pupils in school with nut allergies - please bear this in mind when applying sunscreen for school - thank you.

#### **Transition Matters**

Transition is a major event not only for a young person but also for the family members that support their child. It is therefore our aim to ensure that the transition journey is reassuring, informative and exciting. A move to a new school is a significant time for any family. For some, transition will be an exciting time. For others, this will be a time of nervousness.

Our Year 2s will receive a warm welcome and opportunities to learn more about us, our approach and have opportunities to preview KS2 learning during the Summer Term.

Our Year 6 will also be supported by us here at Rowner and their new schools this half term through a variety of activities. Your child's new school will be in contact with more details of these.

Transition days at Rowner are planned for all year groups on **Tuesday 8th July**; more details will follow nearer the time. Parents/carers of children in Year 2 or 6 who require additional transition support, will be contacted individually.

## **Year 6 End of Year events**

As we draw towards the end of the academic year, we wanted to remind parents of key dates for our Year 6 parents:

- Fareham Academy Transition days (1st 4th July)
- Lord Wilson transition days: 2nd 4th July
- Hunger Games day: Friday 5th July
- Bridgemary transition week: Monday 8th July Friday 12th July
- Crofton transition days: Monday 8th July Tuesday 9th July
- Brune Park and Bay House Transition days: Thursday 11th July Friday 12th July
- Fort Purbrook: Tuesday 16th July
- Camp out: Wednesday 17th July
- Parent picnic: Thursday 18th July
- Leavers Assembly: Friday 19th July (13.15)

## Uniform

As we approach the summer months we have seen more children wearing shorts on days other than PE days. A reminder that:

**PE:** The shorts must be full length cycling shorts. We have seen an increase of shorts being worn that are shorter than this. Our policy states that they **should cover more than the buttocks** or a skort.

**Shorts as uniform:** These must be tailored black shorts.