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Newsletter

The Kite
Academy
Trust
Flying high
Together

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are encouraged by the ongoing meetings between SFET and Kite during this period of due diligence. The date for transition to SFET is yet to be confirmed. We will update you as soon as there is any further information. I want to reassure you that everyone at Kite and SFET are doing all they can for a swift and seamless transition.

We are excited to welcome two new members of staff to our team.:

Miss Ahmed is joining us in the role of breakfast club assistant. She will be working at breakfast club and also over lunchtime.

Miss Rendell is joining us as an LSA. She will be working in Y6 and Y1.

They will both be starting over the coming weeks. We are recruiting for another LSA. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please do ask them to get in touch.

CHILD SAFETY

We have seen several families walking with children through the staff car park. Please make sure you enter the school through the pedestrian gates for the safety of all.

The school car park is for staff members only. We limit access to the staff car park to keep pedestrians safe at our busiest times.



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DATES COMING UP

[School Calendar](#)

22 Jan

7pm Booking opens for Parent Teacher Meetings

YR National Child Measurement Programme

23 Jan

Y3 Butser Ancient Farm Trip

30 Jan

Young Voices Concert
Y6 residential trip 2nd payment deadline

5-9 Feb

Y6 Bikeability Level 2

7-8 Feb

Parent Teacher Meetings

12-16 Feb

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

27 Feb

Y5 Winchester Science Museum Trip

1 Mar

Y6 residential trip 3rd payment deadline

National Offer Day for Secondary School Places

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

We will be holding Parents Teacher Meetings on **Wednesday 7th** and **Thursday 8th February, 4pm to 6.30pm.**

These will be in-person meetings held in the school hall and each slot is 10 minutes long.

Teachers will already have been in contact with parents of children with SEND to book their meeting.

Booking will open on **Monday 22nd January at 7pm** through Scopay.

A guide on how to book or change your appointment is available on our website at www.wyke.kite.academy/parents/help-and-how-to-guides/

If you need assistance with booking, please contact the school office.



ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT FINANCES?



If you are struggling with money for food, trips or uniform, please do let the school know. There may be ways in which we can support you.

Did you know pupils are eligible for free school meals if their parents receive one or more qualifying benefits (this is in addition to the free meals that the government fund for all pupils in Years R-2). Details are on our [website](#) or pop into the

school office.

More support information is also available at www.healthysurrey.org.uk/mental-wellbeing/self-help/a-z-and-useful-links/debt-money



SEND UPDATE

[Surrey Family Voice](#) provides independent guidance to parent and carers of children and young people with additional needs aged 0-25 in Surrey, shining a light on the challenges that SEND families regularly face. They offer peer support as well as informative webinars and workshops on a variety of topics relevant to SEN related issues.

Learning Space are offering a Parent Empowerment Around Anxiety course. This course focuses on supporting your child who may be experiencing anxiety and is made up of 4 sessions that are 90 minutes each. More details at www.learningspace.org.uk/parent-groups

A number of other self referral parenting groups are available at www.mindworks-surrey.org/our-services/building-resilience/parent-support/groups-parentscarers

YOUNG VOICES

On 30th January, our choir will be taking part in Young Voices at the O2; an amazing opportunity to join in with the largest children's choir concert in the world!

Parents of those involved have been sent information including travel and packed lunches requirements by email.



PIERCED EARRINGS

If your child wears earrings, please ensure they are removed on PE days. Children who are not able to remove earrings must have the earrings taped by their parent/carer at the start of the school day and removed by the parent/carer at the end of the school day. Staff cannot supply, apply or remove tape.

BOOK FAIR—COMING SOON!

We are delighted to announce that we will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair for World Book Day (7th March).

More details to follow.



QUESTIONS REGARDING TRANSITION TO SOUTH FARNHAM EDUCATION TRUST (SFET)

An email address has been set-up for parents to submit questions regarding the transition to the new Academy Trust - wykequestions@wyke.kite.academy

Questions received will be collated by the school office and passed to the Governors who will answer questions.

A new page on the [Academy Website](#) has been created where questions and answers will be published.

A link to this page will be given in subsequent fortnightly newsletters. Every attempt will be made to answer all questions within a two weeks, but please bear in mind that some information may not yet be available due to the stage of transition.

Please note, the email address is not for questions about individual children or current school matters. These questions should be directed through the usual channels. We are aware of a number of questions on parents' minds and have included some questions with answers on the [page](#) today.

SURREY ADULT LEARNING

Surrey Adult Learning have updated their website and are offering a large amount of parents training over the next few months. These training sessions are on topics such as Anxiety, Self esteem, resilience, behavioural difficulties, self harm and EBSNA. And they are also running the who's in charge course for child to parent and child violence. All these training sessions can be booked onto via the link:

www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/adult-learning/courses/family-learning#parenting

FORGOTTEN ITEMS

The office is seeing lots of items including packed lunches dropped off late. Please ensure your child has everything they need when they come to school.



Kite Academy Trust

Family Support Worker

Come & Ask session

Do you need help with sleep routines or fussy eaters? Is your child showing signs of anxiety or challenging behaviour? Is there a specific area around home life and meeting your child's needs you would like some support with? Maybe you just need reassurance that you are doing the best for your child. This is the perfect opportunity to have an informal conversation with a Family Support Worker from our Trust.

Come & Ask sessions

Our Kite Family Support Workers will be holding Come & Ask sessions fortnightly during the Autumn term. One-hour appointments are available every other Thursday morning between 9:00am and 1:30pm. During the Come & Ask session, you will have the opportunity to share what the concern is, discuss it and look at ways to address the situation.

All appointments can be booked via Eventbrite using the link below.



Family Hub

- Thursday 4th January 2024
- Thursday 18th January 2024
- Thursday 1st February 2024
- Thursday 22nd February 2024
- Thursday 7th March 2024
- Thursday 21st March 2024

These appointments can be held virtually through Microsoft Teams*, by telephone or face to face.

(*You do not require a Microsoft account to be able to access this.)

Booking Link : <https://KFHComeandAsk.eventbrite.co.uk>

The Kite Family Hub is located next to Mytchett Primary & Nursery Academy, Hamesmoor Road, Mytchett, GU16 6JB