



King's Oak Primary School

August 2025



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Our Vision: From tiny Acorns, Mighty Oaks Grow!

Dear Parent/ Carer,

A very warm welcome to you if you are new to King's Oak, particularly new P1 families. We look forward to building relationships with you over the coming years and to getting to know you and your child. To all of our returning families, a warm welcome to academic session 2025-2026.

Welcome

With kind regards,

Kirstin Glancy, Head Teacher

Meet the Teacher Event

We are really looking forward to our first event of the session!

We will hold our 'Meet the Teacher' event **on Wednesday 27th August**



from 3:10 – 4:10pm. This event will allow parents and carers to come into classes and see classrooms, make acquaintance with the teacher if they are a new face for you and to answer any questions you may have. If any parents/ carers would like a tour of King's Oak we can also arrange this, so please feel free to ask. Our family hub space will be open with some cold drinks and biscuits available. This is a drop in event and parents can visit classes for all of their children. We look forward to seeing you next week at this event. To enter this event, please use the **Gym Hall Door** and staff can guide you from there.

Breakfast Club



Breakfast club is fully open with no restrictions on who can attend. Breakfast club is open from 8am Monday – Friday and is entered via the gym hall doors where staff meet children. Children have the choice of cereal, toast and milk or water. Games and activities are provided for children after they finish their food.

Children remain with breakfast club staff until 8:50am and infant staff will remain with children until 9am.

It would be great to see some new faces and children accessing a healthy breakfast before school. The cost is £1 per day or free of charge if you are in receipt of free school meals. Please see the office for a registration form for any children attending for the first time.

Ms. Craynor and Mrs Daly from the kitchen look forward to welcoming your child(ren).

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Diary Dates

Wednesday 27th August	Meet the Teacher Event 3:10 – 4:10pm
Tuesday 16th September – Friday 19th September	School and Nursery Photographer
Tuesday 23rd September – Thursday 25th September	Authority review of School
Mon 22nd Sept – Thurs 25th September	Maths Week Scotland
Friday 26th September	HOLIDAY. School Closed
Monday 29th September	HOLIDAY. School Closed
Thursday 9th October	Parents Evening 3:10 – 6:10pm



P.E. Days

P.E. times for classes in term 1 are as follows:

P1 = Monday & Thursday	P2/1 = Monday & Wednesday
P2 = Tuesday & Wednesday	P3a = Tuesday & Thursday
P3b = Monday & Wednesday	P4 = Thursday & Friday
P5 = Monday & Wednesday	P6/5 = Tuesday & Friday
P6 = Tuesday & Thursday	P7a = Tuesday & Wednesday
P7b = Thursday & Friday	

On P.E. days children should wear relaxed uniform of black/ grey leggings or joggers and a white polo shirt with their King's Oak jumper.

Full smart school uniform should be worn on all other days.



X (Twitter)

Every week each class teacher will post at least one update of learning from their class. This is where you will find pictures and videos (of permitted pupils) from school events. Please follow us @KingsOakSchool.



Water Bottles

Unfortunately we do not have the provision to provide disposable cups for children on a daily basis. These are not cost or environmentally effective. We have two water fountains for children to refill their water bottles available, one on either floor. Please ensure your child has a water bottle (labelled with their name) to bring with them on a daily basis, particularly as it can still be quite warm outside at present.



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School Uniform and Uniform Hub

Our children look incredibly smart and this is down to the huge efforts and expense of all of our parents/carers. Thank you for taking the time to have our children looking so smart and proud to be part of the King's Oak community. Our full school uniform is pictured for your information. Our uniform hub is also available for anyone to access.



Local Authority School Review

As part of the local authority processes to ensure quality, all schools are subject to a review.

This is lead by one of the Education Officers and a small team from schools across the authority.



We are being reviewed next month, three years after being inspected by HMIE. We are preparing to tell the story of the improvement journey of King's Oak and to highlight the super work of the children, families and staff in recent years. As part of the school review, the team meet various groups, including parents and carers. If you would like to be part of a small discussion group, please contact the office and leave your details. We would be so grateful if you could spare an hour to be part of our story!

The review team will observe in all classes, meet teachers, support staff and children. They ask lots of questions and provide the school with their key strengths and next steps.

As one of our vital stakeholders, you will also receive a questionnaire about the school in the coming weeks which we would ask you to complete. This is returned to Elaine McLoughlin, compiled and then shared with the school and review team.

We look forward to welcoming the review team and sharing our successes with them.

Vandalism in the School Grounds

We love our school and always try to live our school values of 'respect' and 'responsible'. Over the summer we sadly experienced lots of vandalism, costing several hundred pounds to repair. We talked at assembly a while ago that children can play in the school grounds out of school but we ask they are respectful and remove rubbish and don't actively cause any damage. If you know your child is playing at the school we ask that you encourage this message also. Both this week and last, staff have been subject to verbal abuse (not always from King's Oak children) when asking children to remain safe or to make a change in their behaviour.



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Annual Data Check

Our annual data check will be issued to you next week. Please complete this, making any changes as this is the vital emergency contacts/ medical/ allergies etc.information via Parent Portal.



Staffing Update

We have a number of new faces to welcome this session. New teaching staff are:

Mrs Cunningham in P1 (Thurs and Fri)

Miss Tierney covering Reduced Class Contact Time (RCCT) and Targeted Interventions (TI)

A huge warm welcome to the King's Oak staff team! Our full staff team for this year is as follows:

P1 Miss Agnew and Mrs Cunningham supported by Ms Craynor

P2/1 Miss Roberts supported by Miss McKay

P2 Mrs Stevenson supported by Miss Miller

P3a Mrs Grieve supported by Mrs Meechan (M-Th) and Ms Somerville (F)

P3b Mrs Cunningham supported by Ms Somerville (T, Th) and Mrs Macina (M, W, F)

P4 Mrs McShane supported by Mrs Donald

P5 Mr Jamieson supported by Miss Rankin

P6/5 Miss O'Neill supported by Miss Thompson

P6 Miss Manson supported by Ms Rebecchi

P7a Mrs Crerar supported by Mrs Monaghan

P7b Mr Thomson supported by Mrs Brady

Janitor: Mr Bradley remains absent from work. He has, however, decided it is time to take life at a different pace and retire. His last working day will be later in September. He has asked for his thanks and gratitude to be passed to all children and families for making his years in King's Oak so memorable! I will keep you informed about Mr Bradley's last day at work and our search for our replacement janitor. Mr Bradley will be missed as a very long-standing staff member.

Barnardo's

The levels of funding for the Barnardo's Family Support Service across all schools has reduced. As part of our PEF consultation, we decided to progress with purchasing 2 days of having Teri to work in King's Oak. Teri is currently working on some Microsoft forms to hear from you, our families, about what services would be of the most help to you. Teri will be in school on a Tuesday and Thursday. All schools can still apply for some level of support but this application is now made to the Authority Screening Group (ASG) and will be allocated for short pieces of work, dependent on need.

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