



## Red Kite Special Academy Newsletter

Friday 5th June 2026

Dear Families,

I hope you had a lovely May half term break and enjoyed the beautiful sunny weather. A warm welcome back to term 6. We are looking forward to a busy, purposeful and joyous last term and there are a lot of different activities and events taking place this term.

In the last week of term our Year 9 Secondary pupils attended a two night residential at Butlins which was a great success. Please hear all about this below.

### Butlins Residential May 26

We took our year 9 pupils on a residential trip to Butlins for two nights the week before half term. It was an amazing trip and the pupils and staff have made some great memories. The pupils made all of the staff so proud by trying new activities and experiences. The swimming pool was a big hit and the staff loved the rapids and waves just as much as the pupils!

We explored the Butlins Fair where the pupils found it hilarious getting adults on the rides. The bumper cars were very popular and caused much laughter. We spent some quality time on the beach eating lunch and then enjoying ice-creams. The entertainment in the evening was enjoyed by all and definitely tired everyone out ready for a good night's sleep. What a great trip it really was!

A huge thank you to all the staff that supported the trip and to our families for trusting us with your precious young people.

**Nikki - AHT and Trip Lead**

### Free School Meals

We have recently shared with you via Class Dojo information about changes the Government is making for families who may be eligible for FSM/PP at the start of the New School Year, September 2026.

From the start of the 2026 to 2027 school year, all children whose families receive Universal Credit, and who attend maintained schools, academies, or free schools, will be able to get a free school meal.

Families who want to check if they are eligible, and apply for September 2026 under the new guidance, can do so from **1st July 2026**.

If your child goes to a school in **North Northamptonshire**, please apply using the Parent Portal: <https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/parent-portal>

If you require any further information or help please pop into the school office.

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### School Photograph Proofs have been sent home this week

Please look out for the brown envelope in your young person's bag!

Important information from the photographer:

Parents placing a photography order by the end of 14th of June 2026 can choose to have free batch shipping to school (orders can still be taken after this point and up until the end of July 2025, however delivery is to a home address and is charged for at £4.99). Expect deliveries to school approximately 5-7 days after this free batch shipping deadline.

Parents placing a photography order by the end of 14th of June 2026, if spending a minimum of £45, can receive 10% off their order. Orders for postage to home can be taken after this point until the end of the 26th of July 2026.

If you require more information please contact the office.

### Dates for Term 6

Date	Event
Tuesday 9th June at 2pm	KS4/5 Curriculum Event including options
Monday 15th June at 9am	NHS Parent Drop in - The Kettle
Wednesday 24th June at 9am	Thrive Parent Workshop - The Kettle
Wednesday 24th June	Lets Make Music Day led by Jason - more details to follow
Week beginning 29th June	Careers Week with a focus on the hospitality industry
Wednesday 1st July at 9am	Red Kites Friends and Family coffee morning - The Kettle
Friday 3rd July at 2pm	Secondary Summer Fayre
Friday 3rd July	End of year reports go home
Tuesday 7th July	Red Kite Talent Show led by Jason
Thursday 9th July	Summer Disco - more details to follow
Friday 10th July	Red Kite Festival Day (Non-uniform day)

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<b>Monday 13th July - Tuesday 14th July</b>	<b>Primary Residential</b>
<b>Tuesday 14th July at 9am</b>	<b>New parents coffee morning - The Kettle</b>
<b>Wednesday 15th July 3.15pm - 4.15pm</b>	<b>Meet your child's/young person's new class team - more details to follow</b>
<b>Wednesday 15th July (Evening)</b>	<b>Leavers Prom</b>
<b>Friday 17th July</b>	<b>Break up for summer</b>

Have a great weekend

Best wishes

*Karen*

Karen Smith

Headteacher



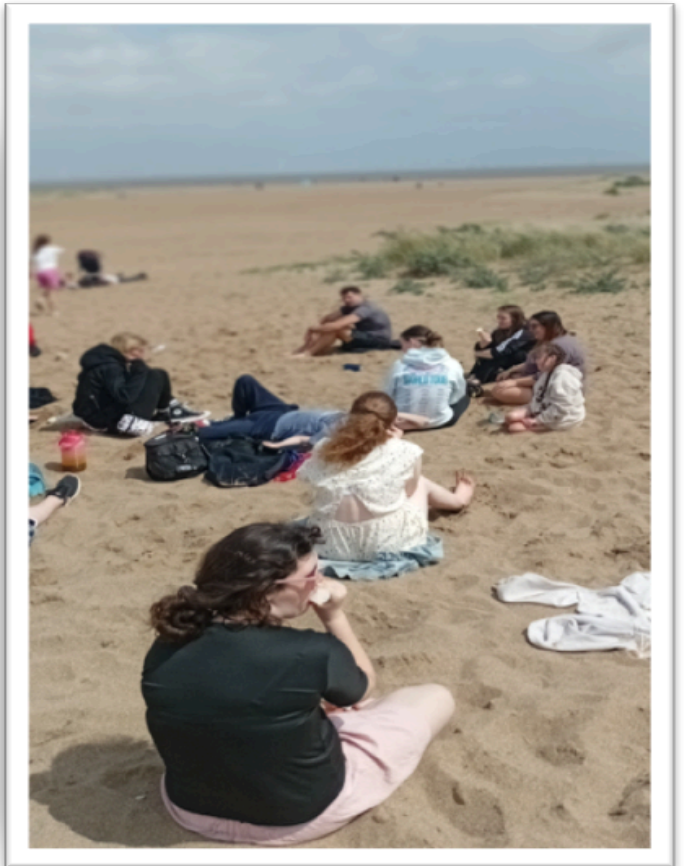
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