



Welcome from Kendrick Parents' Society (KPS)

Kendrick School, Reading, RG1 5BN

Chair: Praveena Chillarigae

Dear Parents and Carers,

Step into the vibrant community at Kendrick Parents' Society (KPS - a registered charity# 1104281), where we strengthen our school spirit by connecting parents, carers, staff, and students. As a dynamic group, we aim to enrich our children's educational journey and create lasting memories.

What Does KPS Do?

KPS isn't just about fundraising; it's about building connections and enriching our children's educational journey. Through a variety of engaging events and initiatives, we offer:

- **Networking and Socializing:** From disco nights to cultural evenings, there's always something going on – fun opportunities, where families can connect, celebrate and build lasting memories together.
- **Fundraising for Essentials:** Whether it's new chrome books, new musical instruments or enhancing our school's infrastructure, your involvement makes a tangible difference.
- **Encouraging Parent Involvement:** Whether you join the KPS Committee, volunteer at events, or simply attend, there are plenty of ways to get involved and make a difference.

Key Activities & Events

For the Whole Family:

- **Cultural and Social Evenings:** Experience our vibrant cultural evenings, including past events like Diwali and our annual summer event, which has featured fayres and food festivals.
- **Join us for the Annual KPS Kendrick Summer Fair 2025! Let's come together for a fun-filled day and make this event a success. Buy your tickets here <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EYVZ>**
- **Annual General Meeting (AGM):** Typically held in Term 1, this is a key event for discussing past achievements and future plans.
- **Drop-in Sessions with the Head Teacher, Ms. Kattirtzi and Head of the Key Stage:** Scheduled throughout the year for each Key Stage, providing students and parents a chance to have an informal chat to discuss any concerns or ideas.

For Parents:

- **New Year 7 Parents Information Evening:** A warm welcome to parents of new Year 7 students with all the information you need, coupled with a preloved uniform sale.
- **KPS Meetings and Refreshments:** Join us at various school performances where KPS provides refreshments, enhancing the community feel at events like the House Drama, Lower School Chamber Concert, and Spring Concert.



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For Students:

- **Year 7 Welcome Evening & Movie Night:** Kick off the school year with special events designed to welcome our newest members and fun times with their new friends.
- **Disco Nights for Years 7, Year 8 and Year 9:** Let the students unwind and socialise at these fun-filled evenings.
- **Own Clothes Day:** A fun day where students can dress up in their favourite outfits and express their personality—all while supporting a good cause.
- **Pizza Party & Own clothes day:** A fun and friendly inter-form competition! The form that raises the most money through raffle ticket sales will win a **Pizza Party** and an exclusive **Own Clothes Day**. It's a great way to build team spirit while supporting the school!

Special Initiatives:

- **Pre-Loved Uniform Shop:** A sustainable choice that helps families economize while supporting KPS fundraising efforts – the shop is open on the 1st Saturday of every term.
- **Wish List Project:** Last year, we tackle projects that are most desired by the school community, enhancing facilities and resources of individual departments.
- **Spring Raffle:** This year, we raised funds to enhance our Music and Drama school facilities – to invest in high quality digital and sound equipment.

Why Join KPS?

Joining KPS isn't just about events, it's about being part of a vibrant, supportive community.

- **Community & Connection:** KPS is more than just fundraising. It's a welcoming network where parents come together to support the school, share ideas, and feel part of a school family.
- **Stronger School Bonds:** Get more involved in your child's school life and deepen your connection with their learning journey.
- **Exclusive Member Perks:**
 - One **free tea or coffee** at every KPS event
 - **20% discount** on all event tickets run by KPS.
 - One **free raffle ticket** with the purchase of at least one raffle ticket
 - **Early access** to event booking links before general release
 - **#IamRemarkable Workshop:** Attend free, empowering sessions led by a **Google-certified facilitator**, designed to boost your confidence and self-promotion skills.

Becoming a KPS member means joining a network that supports, empowers, and celebrates you.



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Join Us Today! - Stay Connected

Fill out the [online membership form](#) to engage in our activities and help shape our school's vibrant culture.

Discover simple ways to contribute through Give as you live(GAYL), easy2name and Easy Fundraising.

- To encourage communication between families and help them and the students get to know each other, the Kendrick Parents' Society (KPS) runs a **Class Parent Rep System** for each form in the School.
- Through this way of communication, parents and carers can get to know what is going on in School and in particular, their child's form and year. If you are interested in being the Class Parent Rep, please complete the above form. Once we receive this from you, we will send you an invitation to join the class distribution list and our closed [Facebook group](#) to stay updated on KPS activities and announcements.

KPS Policies and Roles

Please visit the KPS section on the school website to review our policies, including our Privacy Notice. There, you can also explore and understand the various roles within KPS. Please contact KPSChair@kendrick.reading.sch.uk if you wish to discuss this.

Position Title	Name
Chair	Praveena Chillarigae
Deputy Chair	Ramesha Vaderahalli Balaraju
Co-Secretaries	Neha Doorwar Satish Kopparty
Co-Treasurers	Sachin Nerkar Jayanthi Bommana
Membership Secretary	Dhaval Patel
Parent Class Rep Coordinator	Pauline Phillips
Preloved/ Second Hand Uniform Coordinator	Jayne Green, Anya Alderslade
Sponsorship and Marketing Officer	Victoria Dingle
Events Support Manager	Madhanika Pratap & Samiksha Dahal
Parent Representative for Kendrick Trust	Sam Kumra

Once again, our warmest congratulations on becoming a member of the Kendrick community. We look forward to seeing you and welcoming you into the KPS Committee very soon!

Kind Regards,

Praveena Chillarigae

Chair of Kendrick's Parents' Society