



KPS – Kendrick Parents' Society Newsletter W/C 24th Nov 2025

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Dear Parents, Guardians, and Carers,

We hope this message finds you well. In this newsletter, we will keep you updated on all the latest developments and happenings. We'll also share information about upcoming events in the coming weeks.

KPS WishList Campaign 2025 – Make the school departments wishes come true with KPS

Once again, this year, we're counting on your incredible support to help turn our school Wishlist into a reality!

We launched the campaign last Friday and were blown away by your response, by midnight on the very first day, we had already crossed £1,000, which is a record for us so far. **You are all amazing!**

We're thrilled to share that we've now raised an amazing **£2,180**. This fantastic start brings us much closer to meeting the needs of our departments, but we still need your support to reach our final goal.

43% raised of £5,000 target by
55 supporters

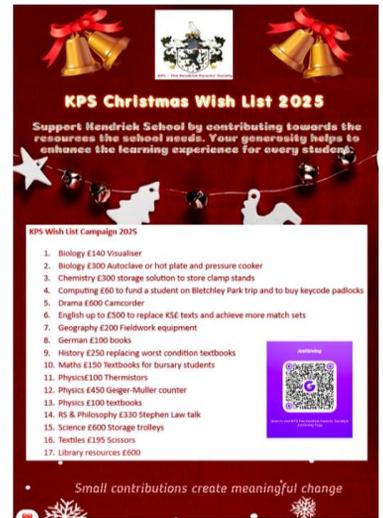
Give Now

Share

A heartfelt thank you to all the parents who have already contributed. Your generosity sets a wonderful example and has helped us make real progress.

If you'd like to support the Wishlist, please head over to

[JustGiving – KPS WishList Campaign 2025](#) to make a donation.



We are also looking for parents who may be able to support us through match funding.

If your employer offers a match-funding scheme, please do come forward. Your support could make a huge difference to our fundraising efforts.

Upcoming KPS Meeting – Tuesday 9th December

You are warmly invited to attend the upcoming Kendrick Parents' Society (KPS) meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 9th, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Meeting Details:

Date: Tuesday, December 9th

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Meeting Link: <https://meet.google.com/cke-woic-thj>

Join by Phone: Dial +1 234-714-0169 **PIN:** 274 794 119#

We look forward to seeing you all at the meeting.



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KPS Refreshments @ the School Christmas Concert

As always, some of us from KPS will be at the school Christmas concert, providing both warm and cold refreshments to buy, including samosas, hot drinks, cold drinks, sweets, crisps, chocolates and cupcakes. Please do come and say hello to the team. If you can spare some time to help at our events, please join the [KPS Events and Refreshment Helpers Group](#).

KPS Wellbeing initiative

As part of the school's wellbeing initiatives, KPS organised a breathing and relaxation session for students during lunchtime on **Friday 21st November**. KPS member **Neha Doorwar**, a trained yoga and meditation teacher, led a Yoga Nidra (yogic sleep) session. Yoga Nidra helps to reduce stress, encourage deep relaxation and leave students feeling refreshed.

The session was well received by those who took part, with many saying they felt relaxed, lighter and happier afterwards. **Ms Valentine** also joined the session and shared her appreciation.

Our next session will take place on **Thursday, 27th November** for the whole of Year 8.

We look forward to running more wellbeing activities in the months ahead.



Pre-loved Uniform shop

Pre-loved uniform shop welcomed customers on Saturday the 8th November from 9 am to 11 am at the Conservatory. **The event was a success, with sales totalling £231.**

Our next opening will be on **Saturday 10th January 2024, 9am - 11am in the Conservatory.**

The donation box is outside the library or alternatively you could leave the donations at the reception area for them to pass it on to KPS.



Join KPS

Since KPS operates as a registered charity, we invite you to become a part of our community by joining us. Connecting with your daughter's school through KPS is a simple process.

Please take a moment to complete our [online membership form](#), making your involvement seamless and effortless. Your participation is highly valued, and we look forward to welcoming you to the KPS family.



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KPS Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2025 – Thursday 6th November

We are excited to share highlights from the first in-person KPS Committee Meeting of the academic year, which took place at Kendrick School on Thursday, November 6th, 2025. This meeting, which coincided with our Annual General Meeting (AGM), brought together members, parents, and staff to review a successful year, connect, and set goals for the future. Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to the evening’s success.

Reflecting on a Successful Year:

We were pleased to review KPS activities from last year, including the many successful events that raised over £25,000 for Kendrick School. These funds went towards a variety of projects, including upgrades to Music and drama facilities, IT equipment, items from the Department Wishlist, book buzz scheme and money towards the upgrading school medical facilities. Each of these initiatives has had a meaningful impact, thanks to the dedicated support of our parents, carers and the community.

Committee Transitions:

The AGM also served as an opportunity to reconstitute the KPS Executive Committee for 2025-2026. We **warmly thank** the outgoing members, **Satish Kopparty, Dhaval Patel, Victoria Dingle, Madhanika Pratap, and Samiksha Dahal** for their service.

We are also excited to **welcome our new committee members: Arunkumar Viswanathan, Pravin Gandhi, Mehnaz Qureshi, Unaiza Iqbal Patel, Sarabjot Kaur**. We look forward to their ideas and enthusiasm, which will no doubt add great value to KPS initiatives this 2025-2026.

KPS New Committee 2025 - 2026

Position	KPS Parent/Carer
Chair	Praveena Chillarigae
Deputy Chair	Ramesha Vaderahalli Balaraju
Co-Secretaries	Neha Doorwar, Arunkumar Viswanathan
Co-Treasurers	Sachin Nerkar, Jayanthi Bommana
Membership Secretary	Pravin Gandhi
Class Rep Parent Coordinator	Pauline Phillips
Preloved/ Second Hand Uniform coordinator	Jayne Green, Anya Alderslade
Sponsorship and Marketing Officer	Mehnaz Qureshi
Events Support Manager	Unaiza Iqbal Patel
Website Coordinator	Sarabjot Kaur
Parent Representative for Kendrick Trust	Sam Kumra

we want to express a **heartfelt thank you** to our **entire Kendrick community**.

Thanks to your contributions in 2024-2025 we’ve made a significant improvements throughout the school.

All these positive changes we’ve made together in students' lives would have not been possible without your involvement and dedication.

We hope you show the continued support and commitment to the efforts of our new committee and the initiatives of KPS. Your involvement and encouragement are crucial as we work together to make this year fulfilling and successful for our students.

Together, we look forward to another impactful year!



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Volunteering Opportunities at KPS:

Are you looking to get more involved in our school community? Please see below on how to get involved. Your involvement is greatly appreciated!

KPS Events and Refreshment Helpers

Does your child participate in music or drama performances at the school? We need volunteers to help serve refreshments during these events. This is a great way to be part of the school activities and support our students.

Please note, your help is needed only when your child is performing. To join our team of Refreshment Helpers, please join the WhatsApp group using this link: [Refreshment Helpers Group](#)

Pre-loved Uniform Shop Volunteers

Are you available on Saturday mornings? We're looking for volunteers to help run our pre-loved uniform shop. This initiative not only helps raise funds for the school but also supports environmental sustainability by reusing uniforms. It's a fantastic way to provide great value to parents while ensuring students have access to quality uniforms at reduced prices

Join our team by clicking on this WhatsApp group link: [Uniform Shop Volunteers Group](#)



Raise money while you shop

Easy Fundraising

KPS has also signed up to other easy ways of raising funds for the school especially when you are shopping online - easy fundraising charity site

: <https://www.easypfundraising.org.uk/causes/kendrickschoolreading/> .

Please continue to use these links and let's all together contribute to something that our children can benefit from.



GAYL

Give As You Live (GAYL) is one way with which you can help KPS receive additional funds with no cost to you! Please use this link <https://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/kendrick> and help us raise additional funds.

Easy2name labels

Easy2name is a name labelling company that provides labels and tags for clothing, sports equipment, accessories, stationery etc. The labels are very helpful in finding the owners of the lost property.

We have partnered with Easy2name to raise funds through their fundraising scheme for schools.

When you put an order at www.easy2name.com, please state our school when it gives you an option, and we'll earn 20% cashback of your entire order that we can use to directly improve our school. **Just fill in our unique code at the checkout FR-KENDRPAS-76.**



**Kind Regards,
KPS Team**