



King Athelstan Primary School

Newsletter #6

Date 26th January 2015

Here we are, half way through the half term already and the children have settled down superbly after the excitement of the Christmas holidays! As January is almost drawing to close we hope everyone has had a great start to 2015 and is looking forward to a great year ahead!

Upcoming important dates:

- 2nd -6th Feb - Year 6 Mock SATs Week
- 2nd - 6th Feb - Year 5 Greek Cooking Week
- 3rd Feb - Year 5 trip to Science Museum
- 5th Feb - Magritte Class Assembly (8.55am)
- 13th Feb - Last day of half term (3.15pm finish)
- 16th - 20th - Half term

- 23rd Feb - First day back
- 24th Feb - Michelangelo trip to Pizza Express
- 26th Feb - Monet Class Assembly (8.55am)
- 3rd March - Kandinsky trip to Pizza Express
- 9th March - INSET DAY
- 12th March - Hockney Class Assembly (8.55am)
- 13th March - Year 5 Ancient Greek Day
- 13th March - Mother's Day Celebrations
- 16th - 20th March - Year 5 Bikeability
- 19th March - Year 1 trip to Painshill Park
- 23rd - 27th March - Mock SAT Week
- 23rd March - Year 5 'Eggs-straw-dinary' day
- 24th March - Year 6 trip to Kew Gardens
- 26th March - 'Sword in the Stone' visiting theatre production
- 27th March - Last day of term (2.30pm finish)
- 30th March - 10th April - Easter Holidays

- 13th April - First day back

King Athelstan children making us proud!

On Friday 16th January we received a lovely email from a member of the public praising our children as they travelled to and from the British Museum:

"I wanted to take the opportunity to say how well-mannered and well-behaved your children have been and what a credit they are to their teachers and school."

Well done Year 4 and the rest of our King Athelstan community on your exemplary behavior and for making us proud!

A few days later we received a second email for our children's behavior during outings!

"To see a group of children so wonderful and full of life - yet poised - really does give me hope for future generations."

We are so proud to be making such a wonderful impression on those in our immediate and wider community. Well done!

Reminders:



Remember to keep uniforms smart. Tights or socks must be worn. Leggings are not permitted. Ensure your child has a nice warm coat and appropriate school shoes. Boots or shoes with jewels/tassels are not appropriate. Shoes should be black, leather/leather look, plain and comfortable.

Lateness - Reminder that all children must be in school by 8.45am. We have noticed a lot of children are arriving after this time.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the PCSA for the 32 iPad minis! Classes already love using them. Also thank you to the parents and carers for joining us on the many trips that have taken place so far this term.

Liverpool Football Club recently came to our area to play AFC Wimbledon. Here is a report from Oscar (Y6) who attended the match.

Wimbledon started off well with Rigs hitting a shot which narrowly went wide of the post. After that Liverpool had most of the possession switching the ball continuously until, with 8 minutes gone, Gerrard attacked a ball from an amazing cross and headed Liverpool into a 1-0 lead.

As the second half got underway Liverpool made a sub and Manquillo came off. Shortly after Wimbledon's defence held out until Barry Fuller committed a free kick on the edge of the penalty area and Gerrard duly slotted home the free kick.

It was a great game to watch!

Year 1 Trip to Natural History Museum:

On Wednesday 21st January the children in Year 1 spent the day at the Natural History Museum in London, learning all about dinosaurs and their topic of 'Travelling through time.'

The children travelled into the museum on London's iconic double decker red bus; they got a great view of London from the top deck.

A popular skeleton they saw was the life size replica of the T-Rex! They also saw lots of other dinosaur bones, some as big as cars, and had a talk from Dino Dan the Dinosaur Man!

Overall it was a fantastic day and the children and adults in Year 1 really enjoyed it!

We are looking for adult readers to read with our children. If you could spare some of your time it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the office if you're interested. 😊

Visit from Zoo Lab!

On Friday 23rd January Years 3 and 6 had a visit from Zoo Lab. Year 3 were taught all about habitats of animals and got to hold a corn snake and a giant snail! Year 6 had a session on rainforest and also got to see some insects first hand. It was very exciting! Many brave children overcame their fears and nerves by holding these animals for the first time.



Year 4 Trip to British Museum:

On Friday 16th January the children in Year 4 spent the day at the British Museum in London, learning all about their topic for this term - Roman Britain.

When they arrived at the museum, they had the opportunity to visit a range of galleries covering both Ancient Rome and Ancient Egypt. It was amazing to think that some of the artefacts they looked at were over 2,000 years old!

In the Ancient Egyptian galleries they saw ancient Egyptian containers and everyday objects which were found in some tombs. In the Ancient Roman galleries they saw: what type of food was eaten in Roman Britain and some tombstones!

Everyone had a fantastic day.



Have you got board games you don't want anymore?

If you have any old board games, in useable condition, that you don't want any more, please kindly donate them to King Athelstan so we can use them in our Board Games Club! Thank you!



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Name _____ e-mail address _____ Childs name _____

We are supporting the PCSA to improve their communication by email. We will be sharing our email contact list with the chairs of the PCSA for ease of communication unless you opt out of this by Friday 13th February.

Name _____ Childs name _____ Class _____

I **would not** like to receive emails from PCSA.