



Dear Families,

We are very pleased to announce that **our new after school childcare provider from 4th January 2023 will be KOOSA Kids**, subject to Ofsted Registration. We will be working closely with KOOSA Kids over the next



term: our staff will remain working in the club under their management, whilst they recruit their whole staff team (see item below for vacancies). Initially, they will be taking bookings from existing families who use the emergency care and previously used YMCA. If there are remaining places available immediately, they will be offered to the wider school community next week. Once established and fully staffed, KOOSA aim to expand places to meet the growing demands for after school care. **Details on how to book will be sent to**

the whole school community on Monday. We will also be working with KOOSA to provide holiday clubs in the future.

This week we talked about road safety again, looking at stopping distances and why the speed limit on Villiers Rd is 20mph. We also had a talk about where it is safe to park that doesn't create hazards for pedestrians. In another assembly, we celebrated Disability History month.



At the end of last week, we had a visit from members of our Governing Body. They spent time in lessons and talking to our Junior Leadership Team, Eco Warriors and the School Council. They enjoyed seeing the school in action and hearing first hand from the children about their learning and activities in school.

Enjoy your weekend.

Emily Newton, Headteacher

Donations to School Fund for Resources



Following discussions at the recent Parent/Carer Forum and with Governors, the school is going to set up a system where families can make voluntary donations into School Fund to support us as times become increasingly challenging financially. We are aiming to set up a charitable trust in the future, however, in the first instance will be using donations to School Fund. We are currently waiting for quotes to replace our old IT equipment that the children use for computing lessons and will add this as a specific item when the final quote is in. Here are some of our ongoing costs:

- Whiteboard pens cost £57 for 100, and we have already bought 900 this year!
- Flipcharts - each class needs about 6 literacy and 6 maths flipcharts per year - an annual cost of **£1065.60**
- 200 glue sticks cost £191.99. We buy about 100 a month, equating to an annual cost of **£1151**
- We have spent £2406 in six months on copy paper - **£4812** a year

We know that many families are also struggling in the current climate and therefore there is no obligation to contribute, but any contributions, however small, are gratefully received. Please donate on ParentPay in the item Donations to School Fund for Resources. Thank you.

PCSA

The PCSA is all ready for the **Winter Fair tomorrow, Saturday 3rd December (2pm-4pm)**, where there'll be food and drink, games and gifts, Christmas tree sales, a silent auction and a raffle, plus a performance by the school choir. Please note, stalls at the Fair will be using tokens, available to purchase at the entrance. We hope to see many of you at the Fair - it



promises to be lots of fun! Thank you for all the chocolates and cakes donated today in return for some really silly socks.



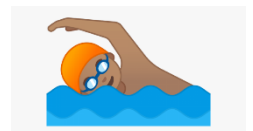
Inclusion Bitesize

This week's Inclusion Bitesize looked at **the difference between shame and guilt around unexpected behaviours**. This slide reinforces key principles from our behaviour policy around 'connecting before correcting' and seeing incidents of unexpected behaviours as teachable moments to give the child the skills to approach things differently next time.



Y5 Swimming

We have booked swimming lessons for Y5 starting in January. Due to the closure of the Kingfisher Centre in 2019, swimming lessons will once again be taking place at the Malden Centre, New Malden, every Friday for 10 weeks. We will be travelling to and from the Centre by coach, **starting on Friday 13th January 2023**. **Y5 families need to go to ParentPay to give consent**. We are requesting a contribution of **£34.61** per child to support with the cost of the coach hire. The cost of the swimming lessons is covered by the school budget. Thank you in advance for your support. If you would like to make a voluntary overpayment to support other families, you can also do this in ParentPay.



Thinker's Project Exhibition

The Thinker's Project Exhibition will take place next Thursday 8th December in the school hall from **15.20-15.50pm and again 17.10 - 17.40pm**. Please note the slightly earlier times to accommodate the end of clubs. Please ensure your child brings in any work that they would like to be displayed so that teachers can see it next week. If you are coming to the earlier Exhibition, please collect your child at 3.15pm as usual, and wait in the KS1 playground for a few minutes until other children are dismissed.

Messages from the Office

- Please note that we cannot pass general messages to children during the school day. We will message teachers about changes in arrangements for pick ups.
- **Please ensure that you apply for Free School Meals if you think you may be eligible**. Apply even if your child currently has universal free school meals (Reception - Y2) as you will be able to access supermarket vouchers to buy food over the holidays, and be able to book HAF/FUEL holidays camps (where children have a free meal). **Check here: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>**

Y6 SATs May 2023

Following the announcement of an **additional bank holiday on 8 May 2023**, the dates for key stage 2 (KS2) tests scheduled for that week are changing. The new schedule will be:

- Tuesday 9 May: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)
- Wednesday 10 May: English reading paper
- Thursday 11 May: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)
- Friday 12 May: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

Amazon Wish List



Thank you so much to those who continue to purchase items on our Wish List. This week, we have received some wonderful mini musical instruments, pencil sharpeners, glue sticks and even more whiteboard pens! All items purchased are very much appreciated.

There is no obligation to buy anything, but if you would like to make a purchase the

link is: <https://amzn.eu/hcy87Hz>

Before and After School Clubs

Clubs this term end in the week commencing 5th December (next week). Information about clubs for the spring term (starting in the week commencing 16th January) is being issued today, and the booking system will open on **Sunday 4th December at 5pm.**

Vacancies at King Athelstan

We are currently recruiting for staff to work in the new after school provision, KOOSA Kids, and also for a midday meals supervisor. See the links below for details, and please share them with anyone who might be interested: <https://www.koosakids.co.uk/vacancies/details?id=11110>

<https://www.eteach.com/job/school-meals-supervisory-assistant-1291368>

Achievement Assembly

Well done to the following children who received their certificate of excellence this week:



Achievement Award

Van Gogh Y1 - Emma

O'Keeffe Y1 - Sarah

Hockney Y2 - Asia

Matisse Y2 - Eden

Da Vinci Y3 - Rowen

Cassatt - Pedro

Mehretu Y4 - Oscar

Wiley Y4 - Ryan

Dali Y5 - Josh and Loveen

Warhol Y5 - Anesu

Riley - Jake

Kahlo - Mariam

KS1 PE -Teddy in O'Keeffe Class Y1 KS2 PE - Agatha in Wiley Class Y4

Times Tables Rock Stars/NumBots Maths Champions this week:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Elif	Meryem	Jasper	Adam	Eddie	Zehra
Rachel	Jake	Ben	James	Blanka	Hakki

Mini London Marathon

Well done to all of the children from Nursery-Y6 who participated in the Mini Marathon challenge during September/October. They received their Mini London Marathon pin badges today. The total raised was £799 - thank you for your donations. All funds raised will help support the Outdoor Learning Environment.

House Points

This week's winners are **Blue House (Hawks)**, followed by Green (Villiers), Yellow (Cambridge), and Red (Dawson), and Blue (Hawks). Well done all!



Villiers



Dawson



Cambridge



Hawks

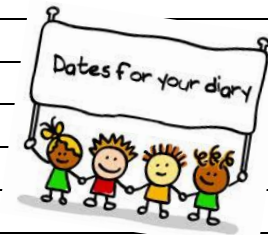
Dates for the Diary

DECEMBER

Sat 3

Winter Fair 2-4pm

Mon 5-Fri 9	Clubs end this week (not the emergency childcare)
Mon 5	Post-boxes for Christmas mail available outside
Tue 6	Y5 Viking Day
Wed 7	Y5 & Y6 Ice Skating Trips
Thur 8	Thinker's Project Exhibition 15.20-15.50pm and again 17.10 - 17.40pm
Mon 12	Hockney Y2 Christmas Assembly 9am
Mon 12	Matisse Y2 Christmas Assembly 2.30pm
Tues 13	O'Keeffe Y1 Christmas Assembly 9am
Tues 13	Van Gogh Y1 Christmas Assembly 2.30pm
Wed 14	Reception Kusama Christmas Assembly 9am
Wed 14	Reception Nelson Christmas Assembly 2.30pm
Thur 15	Nursery AM Christmas Singing & Crafts 11am
Thur 15	Nursery PM Christmas Singing & Crafts 3pm
Fri 16	Break up one hour earlier (emergency childcare will also end one hour earlier)
JANUARY 2023	
Tues 3	INSET Day - children not in school
Wed 4	Back to school
Fri 13	Y5 first swimming lesson - Malden Centre
Wed 25	Dali Class Assembly 9am
Mon 30	Y6 Junior Citizen trip



King Athelstan Gallery



Kahlo Class held their assembly this week, showcasing all their work within their fictional (I think) Travel Agency! A recording is now on Kahlo's Google Classroom. Well done, Kahlo.

Our Y6 Junior Leadership Team Co-Chairs represented King Athelstan at a Christmas carol concert this week. It took place at the New Malden Methodist Church and the aim was to raise funds for KidsOut. The charity does a lot more than just support the Y6 Chessington World of Adventures trip, it also supports refuges and their World Stories project. The Co-Chairs read a poem called 'How Big Could a Thank-You Be?' They were confident and composed and both children read beautifully. Well done to Jessica and Lucien, they were a real credit to King Athelstan!



Community Notices

AfC Info Website <https://kr.afcinfo.org.uk/>

This website is a fantastic source of local information for families including:

- Schools
- Childcare
- SEND
- Holiday activities and youth centres
- Safeguarding, mental health and other support services

