King Athelstan Weekly Digest Issue 29 - Friday 12th May 2023

Dear Families,

Thank you for supporting the Coronation cake sale and the book sale after school on Friday. We have put a whole school photo, taken from the school roof on the morning of Friday 5th May, on Google Classroom. Please do not share these in any way, but do have a look and see if you can spot your child. We hope you all had a lovely Bank Holiday weekend. Lots of children have talked about street parties and family gatherings as part of marking the historic Coronation.

This has been a busy week for Year 6 as they completed their KS2 SATs. We were incredibly proud of their maturity and focus. They have worked hard and have certainly done their very best. These tests are marked by external examiners so they won't know their results until later in the term. It's important to remember that SATs just capture a snapshot of a child's attainment in English and maths. There are many other ways that

children demonstrate their achievement and progress and celebrate the individual success in all aspects of a child's life. Well done Year 6 for the confident, caring and well-rounded young people that you are.

Reception classes welcomed the Police in this week as part of their topic 'People who Look after Us' and next week will be joined by the Fire Brigade to expand their knowledge further.

We are currently recruiting to a number of positions in the school. This is due to staff members relocating over the summer. Please do pass on the Eteach link later in the Digest to all your networks. Have a lovely weekend.

Emily Newton, Headteacher

Mini Marathon Update

We are really pleased to announce that 81 children from King Athelstan completed the London Mini Marathon on Sunday 22nd April, and earned £810 for the school! Well done to all those who participated, and to all the families who supported them. Further

congratulations are due as TCS, the Mini Marathon organisers, have confirmed that King Athelstan had the third highest number of finishers from all schools taking part (across London and some from across the UK). This is a fantastic achievement and makes Mr McLaughlin very proud. Thank you to those children who did some additional fundraising by asking family members to sponsor them. It's not too late to do this - any donations can be paid into The Big Outdoors Project.

Outdoor Learning Day

We are delighted to announce that next Thursday 18th May we have our 6th Outdoor Learning Day. This is in line with 'Outdoor Classroom Day' www.outdoorclassroomday.com, which is a global movement to make time outdoors part of every child's day. During the day, the children will have the opportunity to take their learning outside and enjoy the

benefits of learning outdoors. Also, we will be thinking about our allotment plots and planning our planting for this summer. As the children will be outside for part of the day, they are invited to wear mufti on this day - their own clothes that you don't mind getting dirty.

Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals. If you are in receipt of benefits, your older children may be entitled, too. For further details, and to complete the application form, click here. It is worth checking if you qualify for benefits-related Free School Meals (even for your children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) as you may qualify for a free club, or receive Free School Meal vouchers during school holidays. This half-term, vouchers of £15 are available for each qualifying child. King Athelstan receives additional funding as well.









Nursery Trip - Volunteers wanted

We still need more volunteers to accompany our afternoon Nursery class to the Library on **Thursday 15th June**. If you have a current DBS and would like to join Klee PM walking to the Library from 1.30pm to 3pm, whether your child is in Nursery or not, please email us on <u>admin@kingathelstan.rbksch.org</u>. **We need more helpers or we may have to cancel this trip**. We will confirm helpers nearer the time. Thank you so much

Medical Ice/Heat Packs



As a vital part of our first aid kit at school we use Koolpaks for bumps and bruises/sore tummies. The children know them as ice packs or heat packs. They are reusable and extremely useful but we think some may be making their way home in book bags and pockets rather than staying at school! Please could families check at home and return any KoolPaks to the school office? Thank you for supporting with our ice pack amnesty!

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Amazon Wish List

Wishlist We have recently received packages of white board pens and glue sticks from our ongoing Amazon Wish List. Thank you all so much. There is no obligation to buy anything, but if you would like to make a purchase, it is very much appreciated and makes a difference to the children's experiences. https://amzn.eu/hcy87Hz Thank you.

Job Vacancies in School

We currently have vacancies for a number of roles in school and we are looking for people to join our fantastic team. The jobs available are varied in area of work and hours, so please take a look at the <u>eteach</u> <u>link here</u> for details and how to apply. They include:

- Class Teacher
- Nursery Nurse
- Finance Officer (part-time)
- Teaching Assistant
- Teaching Assistant Specialist Resource Provision
- School Meals Supervisory Assistant

Reception Police Visit



Reception classes had a very exciting visitor this week. PC Becky from Kingston Police Station came in to talk about her job and show them some of the equipment she carries. Luckily, no one was actually arrested, but some children looked great in the uniform! Watch out next week when Reception have another very exciting visit from another emergency service...



















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Pupil News



Lots of families had a weekend full of Coronation festivities. At the Dawson Road street party on Sunday, Isabella (Y5) and Oli (Y2) ran a temporary tattoo stall with proceeds going to the King Athelstan Big Outdoors Project for the KS1 playground.

They raised £45 for the school! Well done, Isabella and Oli! Those cakes look delicious too.

KOOSA Kids

Following on from the hugely popular KOOSA Kids after school club that opened at King Athelstan Primary in September, we are delighted to announce that a new KOOSA Kids holiday club will open at the school this summer. The holiday club will run every school holiday thereafter. Booking will open on Monday 15th May. Please see the flyer on the right for more information.



Achievement Assembly



Times Tables Rock Stars/NumBots Maths Champions this week:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Sarah	Roxani	Hanin	Alice	Bella	Issy
Stanley	Ruby	Ivy		Sonny	



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House Points

This week's winners are Red House (Dawson). Yellow House (Cambridge) came second, Green (Villiers) are in third place, with Blue (Hawks) fourth. Well done all!



Dates for the Diary				
MAY 2023				
Mon 15	Y3 trip to Kingston Mosque			
Mon 15	Reception visit from Firefighters			
Wed 17	Y4 Mehretu Class Assembly 9am - Families welcome			
Thur 18	Outdoor Learning Day			
Fri 19	PCSA Quiz Night 7pm			
Mon 22	Y6 Bikeability - details emailed to those taking part			
Wed 24	Reception Nelson Class Assembly 9am - Families welcome			
Wed 24	Parent/Carer Meeting for Y6 PGL 6pm			
Thur 25	Parent/Carer Meeting for Y6 PGL 9am			
Fri 26	PCSA Y2 Cake Sale			
Mon 29	Half-Term week			
JUNE 2023				
Mon 5	Reception and Y6 - National Child Measurement			
Wed 7	Y6 Riley Class Assembly 9am - Families welcome			
Thur 8	Class Photos			
Fri 9-12	Y6 residential trip to PGL Liddington			
Tue 13	SEND Review Meetings (in person)			
Wed 14	Y2 Hockney Class Assembly 9am - Families welcome			
Wed 14	Y6 Kids Out! trip to Chessington			
Thur 15	Nursery trips to the Library - helpers wanted!			
Thur 15	SEND Review Meetings (in person)			
Fri 16	Y3 trip to Science Museum			
Sat 17	PCSA Summer Fair 2-4pm			
Wed 21	Y1 O'Keeffe Class Assembly 9am - Families welcome			
Thur 22	Choir in Rose Theatre Concert pm			
Fri 23	INSET Day - children not in school			
Wed 28	Kusama Class Assembly 9am - Families welcome			
Thur 29	Sports Day			
Fri 30	PCSA Y1 cake sale			
	JULY 2023			
Mon 3-7	Clubs end this week			
Tue 4	Y3 Country Dancing event			
Fri 7	Y6 lolly sale after school			
Thur 6	Sports Day backup (in case 29 June is cancelled)			
Tue 11	Y2 trip to Hampton Court			
Wed 12	Y6 Production 2pm			
Thur 13	Y6 Production 7pm			
Fri 14	Y4 Ukulele Concert			
Mon 17	Y1 trip to Littlehampton			
Tue 18	Y5 trip to Holly Lodge			

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PCSA News

The PCSA has organised some great events for this term. So far there is:

- 19 May Quiz Night for adults
- 26 May Y2 cake sale
- Saturday 17th June Summer Fair from 2-4pm.
- 30 June Y1 cake sale
- 7 July Y6 lolly sale
- 14 July Y6 Iolly sale

In this section of the Digest we include information received from other agencies. We are not promoting these items, but include them in good faith as they may be of interest to King Athelstan families.

Community News





pickers donated by Glendale that can be borrowed, plus sweet treats for

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every litter hero, so all adults and children welcome!

SATURDAY 13 MAY

London Fire Brigade: Open day

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GRAB YOUR GLOVES & BRING YOUR LITTER PICKERS!

New Malden Fire Station is hosting an open day on **Sunday 4 June from 12-4pm** for those who would like to learn more about how to become a firefighter, take part in activities and raffles, attend cadet demonstrations, and have some fun! Find out <u>more here</u>.

ADHD Embrace Courses

 <u>Post-diagnosis session - In person</u> on 17th May 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM Are you the parent/carer/relative of a recently diagnosed child or teenager? If so, then our Post Diagnosis workshop provides you with the opportunity to develop an

understanding of ADHD, it's impact on brain function and to explore holistic approaches for managing the condition, both medical and non-medical. <u>Book now</u>

<u>Managing physical and aggressive behaviour and supporting your young person with ADHD</u>
7th June, 2023 8:00 PM to 5th July 9:30 PM. This five-week online course will focus on supporting parents of children that frequently exhibit aggressive, controlling and very challenging behaviours. <u>Register Now</u>





