King Athelstan Weekly Digest Issue 33 - Friday 9th June 2023

Dear Families,

It was lovely to meet our new to Reception and new to Nursery children this morning at their first Stay and Play sessions. We will be completing whole school transition sessions to prepare all the children for their new classes over the coming weeks. Look out for a letter about this coming soon.

This week the school nurses have been in talking to Year 5 and Year 6 as part of their Relationships and Sex Education (RSE); Year 3 have been to the Science Museum, and both morning and afternoon Nursery have visited Kingston Library.

This week we have had to take a number of small magnets away from children, and also had to send one child who had swallowed magnets brought in from home to A&E. Please ensure children do not bring items like this into school, and also be aware of the high risks of children swallowing magnets at home, too.

We are expecting to send out the proofs of the class photographs next week.

In assembly this week, we continued looking at the power of our words and that words cannot be taken away once they have been said. We used a story about a king asking a steward to scatter feathers all over the kingdom, and then telling him to go back and collect them to illustrate this. Ask your children in Y1-Y6 about this. Don't forget it's the School Fair tomorrow, between 2pm and 4pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Enjoy the weekend and the lovely weather. Emily Newton, Headteacher

Y6 PGL & Kids Out

Y6 have been so busy since last week. They went on their PGL residential from Friday to Monday at Liddington near Swindon in Wiltshire. They visited a wildlife park, tried out the treetop trail, and took part on many other activities over the weekend, such as abseiling, climbing and canoeing. All of

the children demonstrated a positive attitude towards their learning and many faced their fears by challenging themselves on high rope activities. It was great to see the children develop their communication, leadership and



team building skills. They all represented the school so well. At one point a Deputy Headteacher from another school said how well behaved and respectful our children were. They were also lucky to have such lovely weather, and all came back happy and exhausted! Thank you to the staff who accompanied and looked after them: Mr McLaughlin, Miss Meggitt, Miss Wimonrat, Mrs Coelho, and Mr Revers.





Y6 Kids Out

On Wednesday, Y6 were off again to Chessington World of Adventures, courtesy of a 'Kids Out!' Day hosted by the Rotary Club. The Y6 children are making the most of all opportunities and experiences at the end of their time at King Athelstan, ready for the challenges ahead in Y7 at secondary school.



Sports Day

Sports Day is taking place on Thursday 29th June with a backup date of Thursday 6th July, in case of bad weather. House colours have now been published on your child's Google Classroom. The timings of the day are as follows:

Timings for EYFS on the King Athelstan site

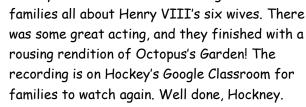
8:40-9:00am - Klee (morning nursery) 9:00-9:30am - Reception (Nelson and Kusama) 12:45-1:05pm - Klee (afternoon nursery)

Timings at the Athelstan Recreation Ground

9:50am-11:00am - Key Stage 1 (Y1-Y2) 11:00am-12:45pm - Key Stage 2 (Y3-Y6)

Hockney Class Assembly

Hockney Class presented a fabulous assembly about the Tudors and taught their





Hot Weather

In this current hot weather, please ensure all children come to school wearing sun cream, and with a sun hat and names refillable water bottle. The school uniform policy is that children wear school shoes (trainers on PE days), but when the weather is very warm, children may wear sandals. No flip flops, sliders or crocs, however, as these are not safe.





Thank you so much to those who continue to purchase items for on our Wish List. 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

Achievement Assembly

Today, KS2's achievement assembly was accompanied on the piano by Ava and Kerem in Warhol Class Y5



Times Tables Rock Stars/NumBots Maths Champions this week:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 4	Year 5
Elif	Alae Nor	Arthur & Robyn	Hugh
Alan	Micah	Harry	Henry



Dates for the Diary				
JUNE 2023				
Sat 17	PCSA Summer Fair 2-4pm			
Tue 20	EYFS Athletics Festival - details sent to those attending			
Wed 21	Y1 O'Keeffe Class Assembly 9am - Families welcome			
Thur 22	Y5 and Y6 RSE lessons #2			
Thur 22	Choir in Rose Theatre Concert 2pm			
Fri 23	INSET Day - children not in school			
Wed 28	Kusama Class Assembly 9am - Families welcome			
Thur 29	Sports Day			
Fri 30	Y5 Workshop at The Hollyfield School			
Fri 30	PCSA Y1 cake sale			
JULY 2023				
Mon 3-7	Clubs end this week			
Mon 3	Festivals Day - information to follow			
Tue 4	Y3 Country Dancing event			
Fri 7	Y6 lolly sale after school			
Thur 6	Sports Day backup (in case 29 June is cancelled)			
Fri 7	Y6 Lolly sale			
Tue 11	Y2 trip to Hampton Court			
Wed 12	EYFS Beach Day			
Wed 12	Y6 Production 2pm			
Thur 13	Y6 Production 7pm			
Fri 14	Y4 Ukulele Concert			
Fri 14	Y6 Lolly sale			
Fri 14	Y6 Leavers' Disco 6-8pm			
Mon 17	Y1 trip to Littlehampton			
Tue 18	Y5 trip to Holly Lodge			
Wed 19	Haring Tea Party 2pm			
Fri 21	School breaks up for summer ONE HOUR earlier			
Fri 21	There will be no KOOSA Kids on this day			

PCSA News



Today we have seen some fabulous crazy socks! The PCSA were busy this morning packing away all the chocolate and cakes donated for the Summer Fair tomorrow, Saturday 17th June, from 2-4pm. Bring family and friends to celebrate the summer and our school!

There will be a bouncy inflatable slide, the fire service are bringing a real fire engine, and lots of other fun items for all.

Take a look at the PCSA <u>website here</u> for lots more information.



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National Three Peak Challenge

Next weekend five members of staff are taking on the gruelling challenge of walking up and down the highest mountains in Scotland, England and Wales within 24 hours (Ben Nevis, Scafell Pike and Snowdon). This must be completed in 24 hours or less. Factored into this is 450 miles of driving (approximately 10hrs), including driving overnight on the Saturday!

Key facts about the challenge

- -Ben Nevis 1345m, this is the highest mountain
- -Scafell Pike 978m, a Saturday evening climb
- -Snowdon 1085m, 4:30am climb on the Sunday
- -Overnight drive at midnight



The children have attended assembly about the Three Peaks so they are aware of the upcoming challenge. Many of you sponsored the team last year, when the attempt had to be abandoned, and we are very grateful for your support. If you would like to contribute this year, that would be much appreciated. There will be a fundraising page relaunching over the next week, we will send you more information about this. The staff attending are; Kayleigh Lee, Barbara Favretti, Ceris Heath, Roz Coelho and Darren Mc Laughlin. We wish them all well!

Community News

The Metropolitan Police have sent us some information about a day out over the summer holidays :

MET in the Park

On Monday 21 August 2023 Old Deer Park, Richmond 12:00-18:00

Come along to meet:

- Firearms officers
- Territorial Support Group
- Police horses and dogs
- RNLI
- London Fire Brigade
- St Johns Ambulance
- Harleguins RFU
- and Face Painting



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