

## King Athelstan Weekly Digest Issue 28 - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Families,

This week we marked St George's Day with a special lunch consisting of toad-in-the-hole and St Clement's (orange and lemon) cake. St George is the patron saint of England. In upcoming assemblies, we will hear more about the story of St George - we had too much marathon news this week to squeeze the story in!

Well done to O'Keeffe Class Y1 who performed a fantastic class assembly on Wednesday. Kusama Class will host theirs next Wednesday.

Don't forget, it is the PCSA Sustainable Fashion show at 2pm on Sunday at Fusebox in Kingston. Good luck to all those involved.

Have a lovely weekend.

Emily Newton, Headteacher

#### YR-Y6 TCS Mini Marathon

Well done to the 97 King Athelstan children who took part in the Mini Marathon events last Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April - over 40,000 children took part in total. It looks like they all had an amazing time taking part in this wonderful experience. The



medals look great, too! We are waiting to hear how much we have raised, courtesy of the sponsor, TCS. Please look out for an update soon. Some of our children were interviewed by the BBC on the day - see the link <a href="here">here</a> and scroll to 28 minutes in!

Huge congratulations to Barbara Favretti from Nursery and Jack Morris, Dali Class teacher, who completed the London marathon on Sunday. What an amazing achievement for everyone. Thank you to all those who donated to help raise money for our Big Outdoors Project. The sponsorship link is still open, <u>click here.</u> We are so proud of you all. To find your child's results, you will need their running number. Check out this link:

https://results.tcslondonmarathon.com/2024/minimarathon/ Thank you to all the parents/carers who brought their children into London and to the staff who attended to cheer everyone on. Your positivity and enthusiasm was greatly appreciated. Here are some photos of the day.







## Reception Offers for September 2024

Please remember to accept your offers for a place in Reception. The offers were sent out on  $16^{th}$  April and you must accept by Tuesday  $30^{th}$  April to guarantee the place. Thank you.

## **Y4 Thames Young Mariners Trip**

Year 4 went to Thames Young Mariners last week. Here are some fabulous pictures of their time there.



## Summer Census 2024

The summer census is on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May - look out for a special menu for this day. All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 (and Y3-6 until at least July 2025) are entitled to universal free school meals. If you are in receipt of benefits, it is worth checking if you qualify for 'benefits-related' free school meals as your child may be Pupil Premium and may also be able to receive free meal vouchers during



school holidays, or qualify for a free club at school or free holiday places with the FUEL scheme with KOOSA or another local provider. King Athelstan also receives extra funding for each eligible child. For further details, and to complete the application form, click the link here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-">https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-</a>

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#### Pupil News

School and PCSA would like to thank Mila & Nadia from Y1, both of whom asked for donations towards the KS1 Playground fund for their birthday instead of receiving presents. What a thoughtful and generous idea. They raised £460 and apparently there is still more coming in! Thank you Mila & Nadia, and Happy Birthday!!

#### Admin Messages

- If you have a change of pick up arrangements, please contact the office before 2.30pm on the day to
  allow time for the message to reach class teachers. Make sure you include the child's full name and
  class.
- Please no not allow any children to play on the equipment in the playground at pick up time
- Remember to book children's lunches. Although all children are entitled to a free lunch, you still need
  to select a meal from the school menu so that the correct number of meals are prepared
- Go to ParentPay to give consent and pay for any school trips. You can also volunteer to accompany trips when requested
- Please put your child's name on all items they bring into school sweatshirts, cardigans, coats, hats, water bottles. We have so many 'lost' items and cannot help to find anything if it is not named

## Measles Outbreak in the UK



There is currently an increase of measles cases in the UK. The school has a procedure to follow if there is a case of measles and works closely with the local Health Protection Team. Parents/Carers are strongly encouraged to have their children immunized. MMR

#### Clubs for Summer Term

Summer term clubs will start next week (from 29<sup>th</sup> April). All clubs finish at 4.10pm, and collection is from the KS1 playground. Thank you.

## O'Keeffe Class Assembly

O'Keeffe Class treated their families to a fantastic assembly on Wednesday. They have been examining the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears, and held a court session to decide exactly what had happened. Who knew that Mr Barson was implicated? O'Keeffe did a great job, and their singing was brilliant. Well done, O'Keeffe.



#### Amazon Wish List

Thank you so much to everyone who has been kind enough to purchase items from our List - it is very much appreciated. The link is:  $\frac{\text{https://amzn.eu/hcy87Hz}}{\text{https://amzn.eu/hcy87Hz}}$ . There is, of course, no obligation to buy anything.



#### KOOSA Kids

If you would like your child to attend KOOSA Kids after school and they are fully booked, please make sure you are on their wait list so that KOOSA will contact you as soon as a place is available. Book on their website here.



KOOSA Kids holiday clubs are also very popular and book up quickly. The booking system is open now for the holiday clubs over the summer. See the website <a href="here">here</a> for all activities and to book.

#### Achievement Assembly

Times Tables Rock Stars/NumBots Maths Champions this week:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Yousra	Alan	Ruby	Grace	Gaby	Bella
Robin	Shiloh	Sahib	Alex		Ollie



# **Achievement Award**

O'Keeffe Y1 - Whole Class Van Gogh Y1 - Noah

Hockney Y2 - Daisy Matisse Y2 - Shiloh

Cassatt Y3 - Goriyansh Da Vinci Y3 - Eloise

Mehretu Y4 - Alex Wiley Y4 - Max

Warhol Y5 - Eabha Dali Y5 - Abdul

Kahlo Y6 - Roanna Riley Y6 - Jack

PE KS2 - Evan and Jihane in Kahlo Y6

Poppie-Rose in Wiley Y4 received a Diversity & Equality certificate

Special mention to Theo in O'Keeffe Class for his lovely manners

Well done to all our Mini Marathon runners, many of whom wore their medals today with pride!

#### PCSA

The PCSA (Parent Carer Staff Association) brings together parents, carers and staff to support the school and to raise money. Upcoming events:

- Sunday 28th April School Fashion Show\*
- Thursday 16th May Quiz night\*
- Friday 14th June Indie Disco, adults only\*
- Friday 21st June Summer disco, Year 5\*
- Friday 21st June Reception cake sale
- Saturday 6th July Summer Fair 12-3pm
- Friday 12th July Year 6 leavers disco\*
- Sunday 21st July Dragon Boat race team (sign up here)
- Friday 4th, 12th & 19th July Year 6 Ice lolly sales
- Wednesday 24th July Schools out picnic, Athelstan Park
  - \*Tickets for all events can be found here



Planning for the Summer Fair is going really well and we expect another fun event, with live music and lots of games. We still need volunteers to help so if you are able to spare an hour of your time then please speak to your class rep or email me with your year group and I will add you to a stand <a href="mailto:kingathelstanpcsa@gmail.com">kingathelstanpcsa@gmail.com</a>

### Community Messages

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:

Kingston Library - the library is an incredible resource for books, fiction and non-fiction and large print. There is also an extensive range of music CDs and DVDs. The children's library is well stocked and supported by a great calendar of educational events. Join in the adult or children's reading groups, use the study area or get some IT tuition. Alternatively, just drop in and read the paper or use the free WiFi! The library is on Fairfield Road, Kingston, KT1 2PS. It is open 10am - 6pm, but closed all day Wednesday and Sunday. On Thursdays it opens until 8pm.



DATES FOR THE DIARY				
APRIL 2024				
Sunday 28	Y5/6 Fashion Show - at Fusebox <u>Tickets available here</u>			
Monday 29	Summer term clubs start this week			
Tuesday 30	Klee AM and PM Trips to the Library			
	MAY 2024			
Wednesday 1	Kusama Class Assembly 9am – families welcome			
Monday 6	Bank Holiday - School Closed			
Tuesday 7	Reception & Y6 National Child Measurement Programme			
Wednesday 8	Matisse Class Assembly 9am - families welcome			
Mon 13-Thur 16				
Thursday 16	PCSA Quiz Night - at school <u>Tickets here</u>			
Monday 20 +	Walk to School Week			
Monday 20	Y6 Bikeability this week			
Wednesday 22	Nelson Class Assembly 9am - families welcome			
Mon 27 May	Half term week			
JUNE 2024				
Tuesday 4	Y6 to visit Hogsmill Garden			
Wednesday 5	Kahlo Class Assembly 9am - families welcome			
Thursday 6	International Day			
Fri 7 - Mon 10	Y6 PGL Residential trip			
Tuesday 11	Y6 PGL children not in school			
Thursday 13	Class Photographs			
Monday 17	Choir concert at the Rose Theatre			
Tuesday 18	SEND Parent/Carer Consultations - in person			
Thursday 20	SEND Parent/Carer Consultations - in person  SEND Parent/Carer Consultations - in person			
Friday 21	Reception Cake Sale			
Friday 21	PCSA Y5 Disco			
Monday 24	Y5 Workshop at The Hollyfield School			
Monday 24	Y6 Junior Roadwatch			
Tuesday 25	Y3 Country Dancing Festival			
Wednesday 26	EYFS Sports Day at school			
Thursday 27	KS1-KS2 Sports Day at Athelstan Park			
Friday 28	Y3 trip to the Science Museum - go to ParentPay			
JULY 2024				
Monday 1	Y6 Transition Day (Richmond Schools)			
Wednesday 3	Y6 Transition Day (Kingston Schools)			
Friday 5	INSET Day - children not in school			
Saturday 6	PCSA Summer Fair 12-3pm			
Monday 8	Last week of clubs			
Wednesday 10	Dali Class Assembly 9am - families welcome			
Wednesday 10	Thinker's Project Exhibition 3.20-3.50pm			
Wednesday 10	Thinker's Project Exhibition 5.30-6pm			
Thursday 11	Y1 Trip to Littlehampton - go to ParentPay			
Friday 12	PCSA Y6 Disco at school 6-8pm			
Wednesday 17	Y6 Production 2pm			
Thursday 18	Y6 Production 7pm			
Tuesday 23	Prizegiving Assembly			
Tuesday 23	Y6 Leavers' Assembly & Tea 2pm. Families invited			
Wednesday 24	PCSA Whole school picnic in Athelstan Park from 2.10pm			
Wednesday 24	School breaks up for the summer holidays one hour earlier than usual			
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