



# King Athelstan Primary School

## Newsletter-26/5/17



This half-term we have had lots of trips and visits; we have gradually moved into the new building; and Years 2 and 6 took their SATs tests, which support our regular teacher assessments. The whole school supported Y2 and Y6, being quiet as they moved around the school. We hope you all have a restful and refreshing half-term break, and come back on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June** ready for the next half-term full of energy! There are lots of exciting things to look forward to, such as Year 6's production, Fathers' Day/Superheroes celebrations, more trips and visits and, of course, Sports Day!

### Messages from the School Office

- Car park - this is for staff and visitors **only**. It is not a drop-off/pick-up point for children, and must not be used as a pedestrian/cycle cut-through for either adults or children.
- School Crossing - lots of families cross the road with their children between slow-moving traffic. Please only use the designated zebra crossing where Mr Garside is on duty to ensure everyone is safe. The children know they are only allowed to cross on a crossing where it is safe.
- Fidget Spinners - these new toys are great fun, but not suitable for school. Please leave them at home.
- Hot weather - please supply the children with sun hats, water bottles, and long-lasting sun screen as the weather finally warms up!
- Uniform reminders - please ensure your children have school shoes on every day and that they are wearing the correct school jumpers/cardigans with logos which are available from PMG Uniforms, Tolworth.
- Hair accessories - please ensure children do not wear large hair accessories e.g. Tojo bows/cat ear hairbands - save these for crazy hair days or weekends.

### Sports

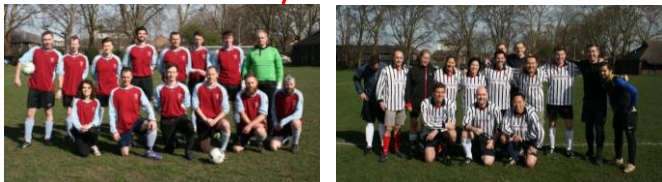
The Year 1 **Mini Olympics** on 5<sup>th</sup> May were a great success. The children were certainly having fun and managed to raise some much needed money to support the Year 1 beach trip.



The Y5 & 6 Girls **Kwik Cricket** team played really well at the Kingston Borough Competition, and came 8<sup>th</sup> out of 16 teams. The Boys team narrowly missed out on reaching the final and ended up in 4<sup>th</sup> place.

The Y3&4 team played excellently at the Borough **Tennis** Competition on 25 May, and came 2<sup>nd</sup>! Well done to all!

### Staff v Parents Friendly Football Match



What an amazing turnout for the Staff v Parents friendly football match on 25<sup>th</sup> March. There was a great community atmosphere. It was a tense match and the score was 4-3 to the staff. There will be a re-match next year...

### Key Dates:

Please see the calendar of events. This is on the website too. Remember, parents/carers are always welcome to join us for class assemblies. The next one is Hockney Class on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. The school Summer Fair is on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July.

### Trips & Events



This is Nurture Group on their recent trip to **Jurassic Encounter** at World of Golf where they saw some huge dinosaurs!

Year 1, Nursery & Reception had a fantastic time at their **Spring Fling Disco**. There was lots of dancing, face painting and games. Lots of fun was had by all!



Reception were very excited to visit the **Polka Children's Theatre** in Wimbledon to see "Sarah and Duck", and Nursery also visited the **Polka** to see "We're Going on a Bear Hunt!"

Art Club had an interesting visit to the **Stanley Picker Gallery** on 16<sup>th</sup> May to see a multi-disciplinary installation by textile designer Yemi Awosile.

Reception had a wonderful time at their **Fairytale Ball**. The Hall was transformed and the children wore their best party wear. After some fantastic dancing, all enjoyed some lovely healthy snacks!



Year 4 went to **London Zoo** to examine how animals adapt to their habitats, and Year 1 have had a visit from **Zoolab** who brought a variety of small creatures and insects, such as snakes and lizards for the children to handle and learn about!

As we publish this newsletter, International Day is in full swing: fabulous outfits, wonderful art and dancing and delicious food. The children are having a fantastic time. Photos to follow in next edition!

## Ofsted

King Athelstan has been judged a "good provider" by Ofsted following their inspection on 14<sup>th</sup> March. The report has been circulated to all parents and carers and is also on the school and Ofsted websites. This confirms all the hard work of children, staff, governors, parents and carers to achieve this great result. Each child has been given a special magnet to celebrate their hard work every day as a member of the King Athelstan community. Well done!

## Key Dates for this term

Years 1 & 2 have swimming lessons in the Summer term.

### June

Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Meeting - New to Nursery 9.30-10.30am
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Meeting - New to Reception 9.30-10.30am
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Strings Concert at Rose Theatre
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 trip to Museum of Childhood
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	"Kids Out" Chessington World of Adventures Y6
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Reception trip to Wetlands Centre
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Fathers' /Superheroes' Day celebrations
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Mufti Day - Unwanted Gifts for Summer Fair
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Infant Singing Festival - Rose Theatre 4pm
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Singing Festival - Rose Theatre 6pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Y1 trip to Littlehampton
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Hockney Class Assembly 9am
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Crazy Hair Day for sweets & chocolate tombola
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 School Journey to Kingswood
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Opening of new building - details to follow
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Picasso Class Assembly 9am
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Mufti Day - Bottle tombola donations

### July

Saturday 1st July	School Summer Fair 11am - 3pm
Tuesday 4th July	Country Dance Festival at the Hawker Centre
Tuesday 4th July	Meeting - Reception transition into Y1 2.30pm
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 visits to their new schools
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Lowry am to Holly Lodge Richmond
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Production - afternoon
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Production - evening
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Lowry pm to Holly Lodge Richmond
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Lowry Cake Sale
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Thinker's Project Exhibition
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Leavers' Assembly 2pm
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Prizegiving 9am
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	School ends at 2.30pm

## School Council

School Council had a special preview of the new Cookery Club. They chose their own ingredients to create pizzas. Whilst the pizzas were cooking the children helped Marie (Lunch time cook) to make 200 cheese cakes for school lunch next day, and then enjoyed testing a few!



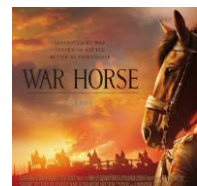
## Twitter

Check out Twitter @KingAthSchool. We have 97 followers.

## The Reading Bucket List

As you know we have raised the status of the *love* of reading at King Athelstan by introducing '*The Reading Bucket List*' for each year group. Here are the latest requests for books, and we invite you to either: dig out an old copy you may have at home; have a look in your local charity shop; find second-hand online; donate as a 'birthday book' or (if you're feeling particularly generous) buy from a book shop and donate them to the school; Oxfam Books in Kingston have some real bargains!

**Reception:** The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt  
**Year 1-** any Eric Carle title, Lucy and Tom at the Seaside by Shirley Hughes, Suddenly By Colin McNaughton  
**Year 2 -** Monsters/Dinosaurs love underpants - Claire Freedman and Ben Cort, Voices in the park - Anthony Brown Alfie and Annie Rose Stories - Shirley Hughes  
**Year 3 -** The True Story of the Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka  
**Year 4 -** Ratburger by David Walliams  
**Year 5 -** Stig of the Dump by Clive King  
**Year 6 -** War Horse by Michael Morpurgo  
Once by Morris Gleitzman  
Thank you, as always, to last term's donors.  
Mrs Ahearn



## Music

The children have been very busy practising their singing and rehearsing for their concerts with other Kingston Schools at the Rose Theatre. What a great opportunity for the children to take part at such a wonderful venue. Year 2's concert is on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June** at 4pm and the Key Stage 2 Choir concert is on **20<sup>th</sup> June** at 6pm. Tickets are available from the Rose Theatre Box Office or online at:

<https://www.rosetheatrekingston.org/book/>



Year 4 have been learning various stringed instruments all year, and they will be taking part in the Wider Opportunities Future Sounds concert with other Kingston Schools on Friday **9<sup>th</sup> June** at the Rose Theatre at 6.30pm. Good luck to all our participants!

## PCSA News

The PCSA website is at <http://pcsa.kingathelstan.co.uk>

- Delicious food and beverages, a lot of hard thinking, a bit of competitiveness, and lots of fun was had by all at the annual Quiz Night on 5<sup>th</sup> May. After a close run battle, the teachers' team, ironically called "The Runner's Up", were the victors, and Mr Holmes gallantly received the winners' bottle of champagne on behalf of his team! All in all it was a very successful evening, raising just over £500.00 for the playground fund.
- The EYFS Spring Fling disco also made £195! Thank you to all who contributed.
- Don't forget: lolly sales started on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May.
- The next event is: Summer Fair! Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July 11am - 3pm. More details to follow.