



Dear Families,

The school week started for staff with further training on ADHD through ADHD Embrace. This is an amazing local charity that supports families and professionals with resources, training and information. Please take a look at their website for more details - see the item at the end of this Digest. Staff also completed additional training on the PACE model that we use in school when supporting children who are highly dysregulated. In assembly on Tuesday we talked about Diwali and some children shared ways that they had celebrated at home with their families.

We would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Bonfire Night-we hope that the weather is dry for it!

Enjoy your weekend.

Emily Newton
Headteacher



Messages from the Office

- **Items from home.** Please ensure that children are not bringing unnecessary items from home into school. This includes toys, jewellery and other items. A child this week lost an expensive piece of jewellery which should have been left at home. Thank you.
- **Please access the school site using the main gates and not the car park entrance (unless you are going to the Athelstan Centre.)** Several families are using the car park to access school for morning drop off, which is not safe. Please enter by the main pedestrian gates and drop off using the established one-way system to keep the queue moving efficiently.
- **When leaving messages at the office, please state your child's FULL name and their class so that we can identify them quickly and process the message in the right way.** We do have children with the same first names which could cause confusion!
- **School lunches.** All children should either be booked in for a school lunch or should bring a packed lunch from home. School lunches **must** be booked on ParentPay by 7am on the day of the lunch, at the very latest. However, lunches can be booked for the whole term in advance. We provide school lunches according to how many are booked, so when a child does not have a lunch booked or a packed lunch, it can cause distress to the child, delays to lunch time and we may not have enough food available.
- **Breakfast Club.** Breakfast club sessions must be pre-booked and paid for on ParentPay in advance. Bookings must be made by midnight on Thursday for attendance the following week. Click [here](#) to access the ParentPay login.
- **Snacks.** Please remember we are a nut-free school, as we have several children and staff who have severe allergies to nuts. A number of children have been bringing sweets and chocolates to school in their pockets and eating them at breaktimes. These are unhealthy snacks and are not allowed at school. Children should bring a piece of fruit or vegetable, such as carrots, as a snack at breaktime.
- **Filming/recording children at school** - please remember that we do not permit filming/recording of any kind on the school site by families, friends or anyone. Please do not do this; it is for the protection and comfort of everyone.

• Parent/Carer Consultations and Book Looks

Thank you to all those who booked appointments and attended meetings with your children's teachers either online or in person over the last few weeks. Riley and Matisse Classes have now been rescheduled and will take place over the next week. **Book Looks are taking place on Monday 14th and Wednesday 16th November from 3.20 - 3.50pm.** You are invited to come in to look at your child's books and see their work in their classroom. We ask that you sign up using the Google form below so that we know which books to leave out, and so that we have an idea of how many people are attending.

<https://forms.gle/yLthEP4XTbSbM9j19>.

School Tours

School tours are available over the next few weeks for anyone thinking of applying to join King Athelstan. Please contact the school office on 020 8546 8210 or admin@kingathelstan.rbksch.org for more information and dates available.

PCSA



The PCSA held a meeting earlier today to discuss plans for the **Winter Fair on Saturday 3rd December**- watch this space for further information.

Digital communication help needed! The PCSA is looking for a volunteer parent or carer to co-ordinate emails, look after the mailing list and update the website. At most, it's around 2 hours of your time a week - and no meetings. So if you know your way around a CMS, please email kingathelstanpcsa@gmail.com. We need your help! Thank you.

The Giving Machine. Every year online shops pay millions in sales commissions to other websites that direct shoppers to them (e.g. voucher code websites). At The Giving Machine, the Shop & Give platform turns these commissions into donations for the shopper's chosen cause without it costing anyone a penny more. **If you sign up (for free) to the Giving Machine and choose King Athelstan PCSA as your 'cause', every time you shop online via the website free donations are generated for your cause.** Why not give it a go, maybe for your online Christmas shopping? <https://shopandgive.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/king-athelstan-pcsa/>

Achievement Assembly

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



Achievement Award

Van Gogh Y1 - Stanley

O'Keeffe Y1 - Elif

Hockney Y2 - Jake

Matisse Y2 - Lillie

Da Vinci Y3 - Hanin

Cassatt Y3 - Ryan

Mehretu Y4 - Dorothy & Willow

Wiley Y4 - Maia

Dali Y5 - Rayyan

Warhol Y5 - Kyrell

Riley - Freddie

Kahlo - Rosie

KS1 PE - Alannah in O'Keeffe (Y1)

KS2 PE - Kayla in Mehretu (Y4)

Miss Meggitt also nominated some children as Equality and Diversity Champions this week for their wonderful work on Black History. Savannah, our JLT Equalities Lead, handed out certificates to Addison, Zubi, Jihane, Monica, Ishmail, and Alice P. Well done.

Times Tables Rock Stars/NumBots Maths Champions this week:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Aythan	Peter	Pedro	Abdul	Eddie	Yahya
Alan	Lorelai	Azra	Julia	Tharul	Tristan

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House Points

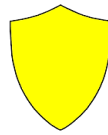
This week's winners are **Green House (Villiers)** on 24, followed by Blue (Hawks) on 21, and Red (Dawson) and Yellow (Cambridge) both on 20. Well done Villiers House!



Villiers (24)



Dawson (20)



Cambridge (20)



Hawks (21)

Outdoor Classroom Day

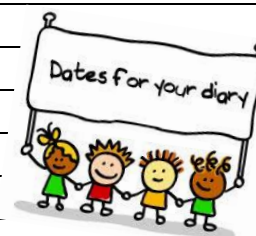
Outdoor Classroom Day took place yesterday and everyone had a wonderful time, despite the wet weather and some puddles! **We focussed on maths learning.**

OUTDOOR
CLASSROOM
DAY



Dates for the Diary

NOVEMBER	
Tue 1- Fri 4	SEND Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings (in person)
Mon 7	KS1 Google Meet drop-in for the Reading & Writing Workshop 4.30-5pm
Mon 7	KS2 Google Meet drop-in for the Reading & Writing Workshop 5-5.30pm
Wed 9	Nasal Flu Vaccinations R-Y6 - give consent by Sunday 6 th November
Mon 14	Parent/Carer Book Looks 3.20pm - 3.50pm
Wed 16	Parent/Carer Book Looks 3.25pm - 3.50pm
Fri 18	Children in Need - wear spotty accessories for a donation to Children in Need
Fri 18	Y3 trip to Gunnersbury Park
Tue 22	School Photographs (individual)
Wed 23	Warhol Class Assembly 9am
Wed 30	Kahlo Class Assembly 9am
DECEMBER	
Mon 5-Fri 9	Clubs end this week
Wed 7	Y5 & Y6 Ice Skating Trips
Thur 8	Thinker's Project Exhibition 15.20-15.50pm and again 17.50 - 18.20pm
Mon 12	Hockney Y2 Christmas Assembly 9am
Mon 12	Matisse Y2 Christmas Assembly 2.30pm
Tue 13	O'Keeffe Y1 Christmas Assembly 9am
Tue 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 than usual
January 2023	
Tue 3	INSET Day - children not in school
Wed 4	Back to school



Community Notices

FAIRFIELD.LITTERPICK@HOTMAIL.COM

2-3PM SATURDAY 12 NOV

FAIRFIELD LITTER PICK

FREE COFFEE & CAKE

FOR EVERY LITTER HERO

BRING Gloves / Litter picker

MEET Fairfield Park Pavillion

HELP LOCAL RESIDENTS CLEAN UP THIS POPULAR PARK!

From the Fairfield Litter Pick Team:

Thank you so much for your help at the last litter pick - as ever, many hands made light work and it was great to see so many litter heroes (young, old and everywhere in between) including a lot of King Athelstan families! We therefore wanted to let you know that our next event - the last litter pick of 2022 - is planned for **12 November from 2-3pm in Fairfield Park**. Once again, the council will kindly be loaning us a bunch of litter pickers (a mix of kids and adult sizes) so if anyone from King Athelstan is available to help once again that would be wonderful.

ADHD Embrace is a charity supporting those with ADHD and their families. They have a number of events which they would like to publicise which may be of interest to families. See below for more details, and click on the button to book a place.

www.adhdembrace.org

- 8 November - Parents Seminar - The EHCP Needs Assessment and Process
- 11 November - Drop in Parents Coffee Morning at Heatham House Twickenham



The EHCP Needs Assessment and Process 8th November 8pm

This webinar will introduce our parents to SOS SEN, a charity that supports parents through the process that they need to navigate to get the right support in place for their children. It will, importantly, cover everything you need to know about an EHCP.

[Book](#)

Heatham House TW1 Friday 11 November 10.30-12pm

Join us for a drop in coffee morning with the opportunity for parents to meet one another, connect and share experiences. This is a relaxed community gathering and there will be members of the ADHD Embrace team in attendance. Do join us.

[Book](#)

Please see the flyer below for a free webinar 'Understanding Autism' which parents/carers have previously found very helpful. Please book a place using the link on the flyer if you are interested.



This will be delivered virtually as a webinar on Monday 21st November from 9.30 to 11.30am

About the Webinar
'Understanding Autism' is one of the Autism Seminars for Families which provides information and advice to parents and carers of children who have received a diagnosis of autism or are on the pathway for an assessment of autism.

The webinar will help families to:

- > develop an understanding of autism
- > discuss experiences of getting a diagnosis
- > identify how autism can affect families
- > explore practical ideas for developing communication strategies

Seminar cost?
The cost is free while the seminars are being delivered as a shortened webinar during the school day and will be limited to 30 people on a first come first served basis.

How to book a place
Please complete the registration form by following this link - <https://forms.gle/AMp8inBEuy1SdPQ97>

or contact the webinar facilitator below for more information.
Name: **Jane Pidduck**
Email: **jpiddu2@grandavenue.kingston.sch.uk**
Telephone: **020 8399 5344**

As places are limited please only book a place if you are able to attend and let me know ASAP if you know that you can no longer attend, so that I can give that place to someone else.