



Dear Families,

How lovely to end the term with glorious sunshine. Let's hope we see more of that over the holiday period. The week was packed with events, as outlined in this Digest, from Viking warriors to kings and coronations, volcanoes and fashion. There was something for everyone.

A quick plea to everyone to respond quickly to requests for giving consent for trips and making contributions. The school cannot ring every parent/carer individually to chase people. There are many trips and we cannot take children without your permission. Thank you.

Remember, children are due back in school on Tuesday 22nd April. Have a wonderful break, and for those celebrating, Happy Easter.



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Story Storks



On Thursday morning, all children from Nursery to Year 6 attended a show about King Athelstan. Sarah Cantrell from Story Storks delivered a wonderful one-woman show all about King Athelstan and his coronation in 925AD. We learned that Athelstan was the grandson of Alfred the Great, he was the first Anglo-Saxon king of all England, the first king to wear a crown and the first to issue a coin bearing his image. He reigned from 924



until 939AD. All the children joined in the Viking 'battles' in the hall - their participation was amazing. The children in KS2 also met with Sarah to brainstorm some ideas for the celebration of his coronation, which the whole school will be involved in on 19th June. The event will mark 1100 years since his coronation.

Mehretu Class Assembly



Mehretu Class gave their families a real treat this week with their long-awaited assembly. Everyone left knowing all about Pompeii and the eruption of volcano Mount Vesuvius. There were Roman soldiers, and a fantastic interpretation of electricity using live Year 4 children! Well done Mehretu Class.

Y6 French Fashion Show



Kahlo Class hosted their French fashion show this week with Madame Bailey (Riley did theirs last week). It was like walking down the Champs Elysees! They practised their French vocabulary all about clothing, and worked on their catwalk struts, too! Très bien, Kahlo Class!



TCS London Mini Marathon

Good luck to all our participants in the London Mini Marathon on 26th April- we hope you practise over the Easter holidays! Mr McLaughlin will also be conducting our very own TCS Mini London Marathon during school PE lessons next term for everyone, from Nursery right up to Y6. Watch out for further information.

WilsonJones Summer Menu

WilsonJones, our in-school caterer, has launched the summer menu. Please go through the food choices with your children when you are booking their lunches, so that they know what is ordered. You can now book right up until the end of the school year in July. You can see the [menu here](#).



Summer Term PE

Please check the table here for new PE days for next term:

Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nursery Klee	✓				
Reception Kusama				✓	
Reception Nelson				✓	
Year 1 O'Keeffe			✓	✓	
Year 1 Van Gogh		✓		✓	
Year 2 Hockney				✓	✓
Year 2 Matisse		✓			✓
Year 3 Cassatt	✓	✓			
Year 3 Da Vinci	✓			✓	
Year 4 Mehretu		✓		✓	
Year 4 Wiley	✓		✓		
Year 5 Dali			✓		✓
Year 5 Warhol			✓		✓
Year 6 Kahlo			✓		✓
Year 6 Riley	✓	✓			

Thinker's Project Exhibition

The Spring Term Thinker's Project Exhibition on Wednesday saw some wonderful work. It is lovely to see the children's commitment to creating projects of all sorts around their termly topics. Thank you to all the families who supported their children with this homework. We are very proud of them.

Recycling

We are committed to recycling within school and are renewing our recycling practices, with a particular focus on paper and food waste. This will make us even more environmentally friendly. KOOSA Kids and the Kingston Town Children's Centre will also be involved. We have installed new bins, clearly labelled as described below:

Bin Colour	Waste Type	Bin Location
GREEN Recycling Bins	For PAPER / CARD / PLASTIC BOTTLES / CANS (dry and clean)	All classes and shared areas including Staff Room
RED (or red lid) Food Waste Bins	For all FOOD WASTE (No packaging)	Staff room EYFS classrooms (fruit waste) KS1/KS2 Playgrounds (fruit waste)
Bio liners held in the Bin Frames	For all FOOD WASTE (No packaging/ no cutlery no pots)	Lunch Hall
BLACK / GREY General Waste Bins	Non-recyclable (not paper, card, plastic bottles, cans or food)	All inside areas
BLUE General Waste Bins	Non-recyclable (not paper, card, plastic bottles, cans or food)	KS1 and KS2 Playgrounds Front of school

Eco Warriors will also be helping in the following ways:

- Poster competition for publicity around school
- Helpers in the hall to ensure only food waste goes onto the bags
- Raising general awareness and ensuring all bins are in place
- Assisting with an assembly to raise awareness
- Arranging a regular litter pick

Amazon Wish List

We have an ongoing Amazon Wish List which was started after families wanted to contribute items to school. There is no obligation to buy anything, but any purchases are very much appreciated. The list is updated regularly with various items to enhance school life. The link is: <https://amzn.eu/hcy87Hz> . Thank you.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

APRIL	
Wednesday 16	Primary School National Offer Day
Tuesday 22	Children return to school after Easter holidays
Friday 25	Y4 Thames Young Mariners Trip - go to ParentPay
Friday 25	Cake Sale Y2 3.15pm
Saturday 26	TCS London Mini Marathon
Wednesday 30	Y2 Hockney Class Assembly 9am New date
MAY	
Monday 5	Bank Holiday - children not in school
Wednesday 7	Nursery, Reception & Y1 Mobile Farm visitors - go to ParentPay
Tues 12-15	Y6 SATs
Thursday 22	Cake Sale Reception 3.15pm
Mon 26-Fri 30	Half-Term
JUNE	
Wednesday 4	International Day - details to follow
Friday 6-Mon 9	Y6 PGL Trip
Tuesday 10	Rest day for Y6 children and staff who were at PGL
Tuesday 10	SEND Parent/Carer Support Plan Review Meetings 3.30-5.30pm in person
Wednesday 11	Y6 Kids Out! At Chessington - Details to follow
Thursday 12	SEND Parent/Carer Support Plan Review Meetings 3.30-5.30pm in person
Tuesday 17	Nursery Trips to the Library - go to ParentPay
Wednesday 18	Y1 Van Gogh Class Assembly 9am
Thursday 19	Celebration of 1100 years since King Athelstan was crowned- details to follow
Saturday 21	Summer Fair 12-4pm
Wednesday 25	Y1 trip to Littlehampton - go to ParentPay
Wednesday 25	EYFS (Nursery & Reception) Sports Day
Thursday 26	Sports Day Y1-6
JULY	
Tuesday 1	Backup EYFS Sports Day (in case of cancellation)
Wednesday 2	Y1 O'Keefe Class Assembly 9am
Thursday 3	Backup Y1-6 Sports Day (in case of cancellation)
Friday 4	INSET Day - children not in school
Tuesday 8	Y3 Lifting Young Voices Concert #2 - details to follow
Wednesday 9	Y3 Country Dancing - details to follow
Thursday 10	Reception trip to the Wetlands Centre - details to follow
Wednesday 16	Y6 Production 2pm - details to follow
Thursday 17	Y6 Production 7pm - details to follow
Friday 18	Y4 Ukulele Concert 2.30pm - details to follow
Tuesday 22	Break up for summer one hour earlier
Tuesday 22	PCSA Picnic in the Park for all
SEPTEMBER	
Monday 1	INSET day - children not in school
Tuesday 2	First day of autumn term

House Points

This week in first place is **Yellow (Cambridge)** with 32 points. **Red (Dawson)** are in second place on 31. **Green (Villiers)** have 30 points, and **Blue (Hawks)** are just behind.





Achievement Award

(last week in blue)

Van Gogh Y1- **Fatima** and Teddy O' Keeffe Y1 - **Kieran** and Genevieve
 Hockney Y2 - **Loni** and Faid Matisse Y2 - **Clorinda** and TY
 Cassatt Y3 - Elif Da Vinci Y3 - Elena
 Mehretu Y4 - Whole Class Wiley Y4 - Jasper
 Dali Y5 - Sophie Rose Warhol Y5 - Elliot
 Riley Y6 - Ryan Kahlo Y6 - Shahzeen

KS1 PE Ronnie in Hockney Class Y2 KS2 PE - Eliza in Dali Class Y5

Good Citizen Awards:

Van Gogh Y1 - Ellie O' Keeffe Y1 - Owen
 Hockney Y2 - Isaac Matisse Y2 - Alice
 Cassatt Y3 - Alannah Da Vinci Y3 - Noor
 Mehretu Y4 - Aaliyaah Wiley Y4 - Erin
 Dali Y5 - Ziyad Warhol Y5 - Zak
 Riley Y6 - Elaie Kahlo Y6 - Kayla

These children all received a certificate and a Good Citizen badge. Well done!

Times Tables Rock Stars/NumBots Maths Champions this week:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Ruth	Loni	Emma	Asia	Grace	Dorothy
Lily & Teddy	Theo	Sharav	Jayan	Sophia	Elaie

Pupil News



Grace in Warhol Class has recently been awarded a distinction in her Acrobatic Arts Examination! She has been learning Acrobatic Arts for around two years and it is the first time she has taken an Acrobatic Arts Examination. We hope it can encourage Grace and all her schoolmates to work hard for their dreams. Well done, Grace, on this outstanding result.



Faid in Matisse, Year 2, brought in his Taekwondo medals that he won for patterns. Well done, Faid!

The Uniform Shop stock list is available [HERE](#). There will be a 'Bring and Buy' day for uniform on the first Friday of each month and the first one was today. The 'shop' is located in the King Athelstan Centre at the top of the car park, between 08:40 and 09:00am and you can come and buy or donate items during this time. We still encourage you to check the stock list in advance to be sure we have what you need. You are still able to request items between the sale days as usual.

The recent Quiz night held at The Spring Grove raised £304 and everyone had a great time! The winning team received a £60 John Lewis Voucher. The Easter cake competition saw some amazing creations. It was a huge success and raised £426.69! We asked Miss Newton to be



the judge and she found it really difficult to decide! The winner was Ellie P in Van Gogh, followed by Logan in Nelson Class and Eloise in Y4 Mehretu Class. Well done, everyone!



- **Friday 25th April** - Year 2 cake sale
- **Saturday 17th May** - Eurovision Song Contest viewing party, Adults only, school hall (tickets available soon)
- **Saturday 21st June** - Summer Fair 12-4pm

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:

Fairfield Kingston ParkPlay - The Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames is launching this free weekly activity in April, every Saturday at 1pm and would love to get as many families involved as possible. See the flyer here for the registration link and key information.



Wallington County Grammar School have been running 11+ Familiarisation Tests since 2015 and this spring/summer will again be running tests for both boys and girls who are currently in Year 5 to give them experience of what to expect if they plan to sit secondary school entrance exams. As in previous years, Wallington are offering a free test place to any child who qualifies for pupil premium. Details of how all parents/carers can apply (including those eligible for a free place) can be found on the [website here](#), and also in the flyer (left).

Home Start - Local charity Home-Start is offering a free course to train people to be a home-visiting volunteer, supporting families with difficulties such as post-natal illness, bereavement or disability. The 6-week course will run at Vestry House Paradise Road, Richmond, 9.45am-2.30pm, on Thursdays from 25th September until 6th November. For more information, please contact Erin at erin@homestart-rkh.org.uk or 07884 536161. Registered charity no: 1108975.

