



Dear Families,

It was fantastic that 40 children took part in the London Mini Marathon last weekend. Well done to everyone for completing this challenge. We are very proud of you. Well done, too, to children in Y4 who bravely joined in some exciting activities at Thames Young Mariners. Photos of both events are below.

Please make sure you have read the changes to the uniform policy that comes into effect officially from September. All trainers must be plain black with no other colours, including white, and no coloured soles, and these may be worn every day if you wish with school uniform and PE uniform. We hope families will find this helpful. If your child is growing out of shoes then please feel free to move to plain black trainers this term. Copies of all letters sent to families can be found on the school [website here](#) for your information.

Parking, on the whole, seems to have improved a little - thank you for your support with this.

Have a lovely weekend, and don't forget, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May is a Bank Holiday and school is closed. Children are due back on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

Emily Newton  
Headteacher

### Hot Weather

Now that we have started to have some warmer weather, please ensure your child comes to school with a named, refillable water bottle, and a sun hat. Please apply sun cream in the morning when necessary. Thank you.

### TCS London Mini Marathon

This was the third Mini Marathon we have taken part in and once again it was a huge success. Congratulations to all of the children who took part in this amazing event, and each received a well-earned medal. They completed either a 1 mile run or 2.6km, and it was great to see how much they pushed themselves throughout their run. We were fortunate to have great weather conditions which made the run more enjoyable for all. We are waiting to hear how much we have raised, courtesy of the sponsor, TCS. Please look out for an update soon. Thanks to all of the families who sent pictures into school earlier this week. For results, you will need to know your child's running number. Please use this link: <https://results.tcslondonmarathon.com/2025/minimarathon/>



### King Athelstan Farm!

Next Wednesday we will have a very exciting day as some farm animals are coming to school to visit children in Nursery, Reception and Y1! Children will be able to meet the animals, and learn all about their lives and habits. There will be goats, ducklings and a tortoise amongst others! We can only continue to offer these fantastic experiences if we can cover the costs, so please go to ParentPay to contribute towards this. We also have a voluntary overpayment item for anyone who feels able to pay any extra amount to ensure these events continue to go ahead. Thank you so much. Photos in next week's Digest!



## Hockney Class Assembly

Hockney Class delivered a great assembly for their families this week. They showcased all their learning about The Great Fire of London in 1666, displayed the wonderful Tudor Houses they have been making in their art lessons, and finished with a rousing song which their parents and carers couldn't help singing for the rest of the day!



## Y4 Thames Young Mariners

Year 4 had an amazing time at Thames Young Mariners last Friday. They were lucky to have sunshine all day, too. The children had the opportunity to develop their self-assurance, confidence, leadership and team building skills. It was great to see how they enjoyed themselves as well as increase their confidence across the activities they participated in. Thank you to the parents/carers and staff who supported on the day. This will be such a memorable trip for the children and is a great stepping stone for the school residential in Y6.



## Volunteers Needed!

Nursery are going on an exciting trip to Kingston Library on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June to read stories and take part in activities linked to books they know. Morning Nursery are going from 9.30-11am, and afternoon Nursery from 1.30-3.10pm. We still need more volunteers to help with these trips, so if anyone has a DBS and would like to accompany either of them, please let the school office know on [admin@kingathelstan.rbksch.org](mailto:admin@kingathelstan.rbksch.org). Thank you so much!



## AfC Family Hub Annual Survey

Achieving for Children works with children, young people and their families across Kingston and Richmond. They provide a wide range of services and support locally, and work closely with families throughout the journey of childhood. AfC would really like to hear your views and thoughts on children's centres and family hub offers across Kingston and Richmond. The Family Hub Annual Survey aimed at parents/carers is open for 6 weeks from today, and AfC would appreciate getting as many surveys completed as possible. Please complete [the survey](#) or scan the QR code here:

Families' input is important, and all views can help shape the types of services, sessions and support that you and your children may be able to receive at AfC sites in the future. If you have any questions or queries, please email: [richmondcc@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:richmondcc@achievingforchildren.org.uk)



## 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 things to enhance school life. We still have lots of First Aid items on the list as we use quite a lot of these in school! The link is: <https://amzn.eu/hcy87Hz>. Thank you.



KOOSA Kids are pleased to be operating a May Half Term Holiday Club at King Athelstan Primary School from Tuesday 27th to Friday 30th May. The exciting, action-packed activity programme is designed for children aged 4-13, featuring a mix of games, crafts, and challenges that bring the Monster Madness theme to life. With each activity designed to boost creativity, teamwork, and confidence, this programme guarantees a monstrously good time for all! Prices start from just £30.00 per child, per session (Standard day 10.00am to 4.00pm; longer days available) and your third child goes FREE (siblings only)! Visit [www.koosakids.co.uk/holiday-club](http://www.koosakids.co.uk/holiday-club) for more information or call 01276 21884. Bookings are open now.



### Achievement Assembly



## Achievement Award

Van Gogh Y1- Hector	O'Keeffe Y1 - Andrey & Stoyan
Hockney Y2 - Mila	Matisse Y2 - Rana
Cassatt Y3 - Moreglory	Da Vinci Y3 - Areeb
Mehretu - Micah	Wiley - Hatice
Dali Y5 - Bibi	Warhol Y5 - Zak
Riley Y6 - Antonia	Kahlo Y6 - Davyd
KS1 PE Arjun in Van Gogh Class Y1	KS2 PE - Lillie in Mehretu Class Y4

Times Tables Rock Stars/NumBots Maths Champions this week:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Teddy	Isaac	Stephen	Asia	Grace	Harry
Ruth		Sarah	Ruth	Ben	

### House Points

This week in first place is **Red (Dawson)** with 31 points. In joint second place are **Yellow (Cambridge)** and **Green (Villiers)**, both on 26, with **Blue (Hawks)** just behind on 23.



### Comic Relief

We are pleased to announce that, last month when we wore red accessories and red noses, school managed to raise £126 for the amazing Comic Relief charity. Thank you for all your donations.



### Pupil News

Well done to Hazel in O'Keeffe Class who recently won a beige rosette award for her Theatre Ballet. Keep it up, Hazel!

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

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 - Breakfast from 8am
Thursday 15	Y5 to Holly Lodge - go to ParentPay
Monday 19	Y6 Bikeability this week
Tuesday 20	Y5 to Kingston Museum
Thursday 22	Cake Sale Reception 3.15pm
Mon 26-Fri 30	Half-Term
JUNE	
Wednesday 4	International Day - details to follow
Friday 6	PCSA Uniform sale - King Athelstan Centre
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	King Athelstan Coronation Celebration- 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'Keeffe Class Assembly 9am
Thursday 3	Backup Y1-6 Sports Day (in case of cancellation)
Thursday 3	Y6 Lolly Sale
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 - go to ParentPay
Friday 11	PCSA Uniform sale - King Athelstan Centre
Friday 11	Y6 Lolly Sale
Friday 11	PCSA Y6 Leavers Event
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
Friday 18	Y6 Lolly Sale
Tuesday 22	Break up for summer one hour earlier
Tuesday 22	PCSA Picnic in the Park for all
SEPTEMBER 2025	
Monday 1	INSET day - children not in school
Tuesday 2	First day of autumn term

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 (6 June, 11 July). 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 also able to request items between the sale days as usual.



- **Saturday 17th May** - Eurovision Song Contest viewing party, adults only, school hall  
[Tickets now available HERE](#)
- **Saturday 21st June** - Summer Fair, Medieval Theme, 12-4pm. Speak to class reps to volunteer.

### 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:

**Celebrate Kingston** - Kingston Council is hosting a free party on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June from 2 to 4pm, as part of the Kingston 2025 celebrations. Unfortunately, this overlaps with the school Summer Fair, but you could drop in to the Queen Mary Hall for a short while!



**Fairfield Litter Pick** - Huge thanks to the 32 litter heroes who gathered 4 big bags of rubbish (including 2 of recycling) in March. The next litter pick will be on Fairfield on Saturday 10 May from 2-3pm to help clear up this popular park. Snacks will be provided for everyone.

**Music in Kingston** - a free event at All Saints Church, Kingston, on Saturday, 17th May from 12-3pm. Various providers will showcase their fantastic work and perform. You can: try a variety of instruments; learn about instrumental lessons, curricular music, and ensemble opportunities in the borough; get involved in taster sessions from some of our wonderful exhibitors; enjoy performances from young musicians across the borough.

