



Dear Families,

With the long-awaited advent of some summer weather, please ensure your child has sun cream applied in the morning before school, and always brings a named sun hat/cap to school.

Thank you to Mrs Williamson who organised the fabulous Outdoor Eco Day yesterday. It was lovely to see 3 children outside enjoying the fresh air. Some of the classes extended the idea today and were found dotted around the KS2 playground with their maths books! Thank you also to all the KS2 pupils who completed the Pupil Survey today.

Finally, an extra special thank you to Mr Krezalek, father of a child in Y3, for spotting that the gas shelter doors were really dilapidated. He replaced them over this week and they look absolutely fantastic.

If any parent has any gardening skills and would like to support maintaining the gardens at the front of the school, please do get in touch. Thank you.

Have a lovely half term week, and we will see you all on Monday 1st June.

Emily Newton, Headteacher

Summer Term Trips

There are several exciting school trips taking place after half term. It is essential that we receive consent for your child to attend. Please go to ParentPay to do this and answer any other specific questions about the trip, as well as to pay. Upcoming trips are:

Year 2 - Hampton Court Palace by boat 10th June

Year 3 - Country Dancing 16th June

Year 3 - Science Museum 12th June

Year 5 - Hollyfield Workshops 18th June

Nursery & Reception - Bocketts Farm 18th June

Choir - Concert at the Rose Theatre 18th June

Year 6 - Author visit at the Rose Theatre 22nd June - book purchase available on ParentPay also

Year 1 - Littlehampton Seaside 24th June

Please speak to your child's class teacher with any queries. Thank you.

Y6 Bikeability

9 children from Y6 took part in Bikeability this week. On these courses they learnt a number of skills including; bike control, starting/stopping with confidence and understanding the road. A huge congratulations to all who took part. All children achieved both L1 and L2 awards.



International Day

This year we once again celebrate our multicultural community with International Day on **Wednesday 3rd June**. The letter with all information can be found on the website [here](#). We hope to see many of you at the International Market after school. Thank you in advance for the amazing dishes that families prepare and share every year. It is a true celebration of the King Athelstan community.

Outdoor Eco Day

Wow! What a fantastic Outdoor Eco Learning Day we had yesterday! The weather was perfect and all the children

were engaged and excited to be learning outside. Our Eco Warrior team had worked hard to devise an activity for each class, including making posters for the lesson so they didn't need to turn on their Smart Boards. These activities focused on learning about animals. There were bug hunters, pond dippers, animal junk modellers and cyanotype designers, all enjoying nature and learning about animals here in our school grounds and further away. They also had the chance to take other lessons outside during the day. Children are invited to complete an Eco Day Thinkers' Project shown on Google Classroom and created by the Eco Warriors. The Walk to School Week Winners will be announced after the half term break. Thank you to all the children for their enthusiasm during the day and we look forward to the next one!



Dali Class Assembly



Dali Class performed a brilliant assembly for their families, and the rest of the school, this week, all about the Victorians, and the daily lives of Victorian children in particular. They were pleased that children no longer have to sweep chimneys or work in factories, and that school no longer insists on the wearing of dunces' hats! Well done, Dali Class.

Good Citizen Awards

Spotlight on being a good citizen What step are you on?

This week the adults in school will be on the look-out for children showing good citizenship. I meet the behaviour expectations because:

I don't want to receive a consequence for my unexpected behaviour.

I want to receive praise and rewards for my good behaviour.

I want other people to think good things about me.

I want to do well at school and in the future. (even if no-one is watching).

It is who I am. I do the right thing.

At the end of each half-term, one child from each class is chosen to receive our Good Citizen Award. This special recognition is given to pupils who consistently make the right choices – not for rewards or recognition, but simply because it's the right thing to do. Our Good Citizens show kindness, honesty and responsibility in everything

O'Keeffe	Jonah
Van Gogh	Grace
Matisse	Sharvika
Hockney	Toby
Cassatt	Yanice
Da Vinci	Julia
Mehretu	Elvis
Wiley	Summer
Dali	Amelie
Warhol	Julian
Kahlo	Ivy
Riley	Jerome

they do, whether in the classroom, on the playground, or around school. They lead by example, showing others what it truly means to be part of our caring school community. Each Good Citizen receives a badge and certificate to celebrate their positive attitude and commitment to doing the right thing, even when no one is watching. We are so proud of our latest recipients – well done to all our Good Citizens!

Amazon Wish List



The Wish List was started after families wanted to contribute items to school! There is no obligation to buy anything, but all purchases are very much appreciated. The link is: [King Athelstan Wish List](#). We also welcome any knickers/pants and school socks to hold as spares for across the school. These are often cheaper to buy in supermarkets, so we have not added them to our Wish List! Thank you.

Sports Updates

The **Sports Day** letters are on the school website [here](#). Timings for EYFS on the King Athelstan site on Wednesday 1st July are:

- 8:45-9:20am - Klee (morning nursery)
- 9:20am-10:15am - Reception (Nelson and Kusama)
- 2:25-3:00pm - Klee (afternoon nursery)

KS1 and KS2 timings on Thursday 2nd July - off site at the Athelstan Recreation Ground:

- 9:15am-10:20am - Key Stage 1 (Y1-Y2)
- 10:20-11:30am - Key Stage 2 (Y3-Y4)
- 11:30-11:35am - Choir Performance
- 11:35am-12:45pm - Key Stage 2 (Y5-Y6)

Mini Iron Man - Congratulations to the 90 children who took part in the Mini Iron Man. We held a celebration assembly this week to recognise their fantastic achievement. A big thank you to Jane and David Wilson for creating such a wonderful video. The medals will arrive after the half-term break and we will present them to the children then. Thank you to all the families for their fantastic fundraising efforts – we raised an incredible **£1,316**.

Mini London Marathon - Congratulations to the 38 children who completed the Mini London Marathon. Their achievement was also celebrated in assembly this week, when they wore their well-deserved medals again. Thank you for all your fundraising efforts – we raised **£675** in sponsorship, along with an additional **£380** from the sponsor, TCS.

Achievement Assembly



Achievement Award

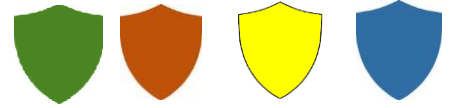
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| Van Gogh Y1 - Isabelle | O'Keeffe Y1 - Gaith |
| Hockney Y2 - Pippa | Matisse Y2 - Kieran |
| Cassatt Y3 - Elif | Da Vinci - |
| Wiley Y4 - Summer | Mehretu Y4 - Teddy |
| Warhol Y5 - Max | Dali Y5 - Whole Class for assembly |
| Riley - Rian | Kahlo Y6 - George |
| KS1 PE - Ari in Van Gogh Y1 | KS2 PE - Erin in Dali Y5 |

Times Tables Rock Stars/NumBots Maths Champions this week:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Amelya	Theo and Ellie	Ayaan	Su	Alfie	Ella
Kairo & Rico	Ruth, Kieran, Gregory	Paula	Uzay	Nina	Milena

House Points

This week the winner is **Blue House (Hawks)** once again with 28 points. In second place on 27 is **Yellow House (Cambridge)**, **Red House (Dawson)**, and **Green House (Villiers)** are in joint third place on 21 points.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

MAY 2026	
Mon 25-Fri 29 May	Half-Term - children not in school
JUNE 2026	
Monday 1	Reception & Year 6 Height & Weight Measuring Day - School Nurses
Wednesday 3	International Day - see letter for details
Thursday 4	Welcome to Nursery (10.15am) and Reception (9.15am) - online meetings
Friday 5	Class Photograph Day
Friday 5	PCSA Football World Cup Event 6-7.30pm - tickets available here
Tuesday 9	EYFS Stay & Play 9.15am
Wednesday 10	Y2 trip to Hampton Court - go to ParentPay
Friday 12	Y3 trip to the Science Museum - go to ParentPay
Friday 12-Mon 15	Y6 Residential trip to PGL
Tuesday 16	Y6 Rest Day for those who attended PGL
Tuesday 16	Y3 Country Dancing Festival - volunteer on ParentPay
Tuesday 16	SEND Parent/Carer Plan Reviews - details to follow
Thursday 18	EYFS trip to Bocketts Farm - go to ParentPay
Thursday 18	Y5 Workshops at The Hollyfield School
Thursday 18	Choir Concert at the Rose Theatre - go to ParentPay. Tickets on Theatre website
Thursday 18	SEND Parent/Carer Plan Reviews - details to follow
Friday 19	Y1 Cake Sale 3.15pm
Monday 22	Y6 author visit at the Rose Theatre - go to ParentPay
Wednesday 24	Y1 Trip to Littlehampton seaside - go to ParentPay
Friday 26	EYFS Stay & Play 9.15am
Friday 26	Y6 Lolly Sales 3.15pm
Saturday 27	PCSA Summer Circus! 1-4pm
JULY 2026	
Wednesday 1	EYFS Sports Day - in the MUGA at school - details to follow
Thursday 2	Y1-Y6 Sports Day - at Athelstan Recreation Ground - details to follow
Thursday 2	Y6 Lolly Sale 3.15pm
Thursday 2	Y6 Quiz Night - details to follow
Friday 3	INSET Day - children not in school
Monday 6	Last week of clubs
Tuesday 7	EYFS Stay & Play 2.15pm
Wednesday 8	Y6 Production 2pm - details to follow
Thursday 9	EYFS Beach Day - details to follow
Thursday 9	Y6 Production 7pm - details to follow
Friday 10	PCSA AGM 9am
Friday 10	Y4 Ukulele Concert 2.30pm
Friday 10	Y6 Lolly sales 3.15pm
Friday 10	Y6 evening event - details to follow
Tuesday 14	Thinker's Project Exhibition 3.20-3.50pm & 5.30-6pm
Thursday 16	Y6 Leavers' Assembly & Tea - details to follow
Friday 17	School ends one hour earlier
SEPTEMBER 2026	
Monday 7	First day of autumn term

You can contact the PCSA on kingathelstanpcsa@gamil.com

PCSA has several events and schemes at the moment:



1. www.easyfundraising.org.uk Families can download the app and do their online shopping in this way to raise money for the school. [Sign up here.](#)
2. www.yourschoollottery.co.uk Weekly prizes offered for £1 ticket.
3. Football World Cup event on Friday 5th June 6-7.30pm - see poster, right
4. Summer Circus 1-4pm - Saturday 27th June - see below
5. 'Spring in Nature' photography competition - see below

Cake/lolly Sales:

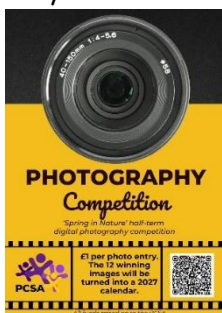
- Friday 19th June Year 1 cake sale
- Friday 26th June lolly sale
- Thursday 2nd July lolly sale
- Friday 10th July lolly sale



The PCSA sells pre-loved school uniform. The sales are held the first and last week of each term. If you require uniform at any other time please email the PCSA [here](#) and we can leave it with the office if we have it in stock. Alternatively, [click here](#) to check what we currently have in stock, and email us with what you would like. We would appreciate a donation on Givey (<https://www.givey.com/uniform>) of any amount you can afford. If you have any uniform to donate, please bring it in to the school office from 2nd-5th June. Thank you.

Tickets for all events are available here: <https://www.ticketsource.com/king-athelstan-primary-school-pcsa>

As you are aware the Summer Circus takes place on Saturday 27th June . We have the great opportunity to get £10 free for the school for every estate agent board we agree to have outside of our houses promoting the event, featuring our winning design from one of the children. Please do sign up if you can. It's just a board up for a couple of weeks outside your house and means we can raise even more money for the school. Please sign up [here](#).



'Spring in Nature' photography competition - for £1 per entry, submit photos with this theme. The 12 best photos will be made into a calendar for 2027! No people in the photos, please, only nature.

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:

School Meal Vouchers for Kingston Schools - there is an urgent update on support for families with children eligible for Free School Meals during school holidays. These families have previously received meal vouchers funded through the Government's Household Support Fund. The Household Support Fund has now ended so these school meal vouchers can no longer be issued. This means that no vouchers will be provided for the upcoming May half-term. The Council has received funding through a new grant known as the Crisis and Resilience Fund which can be used to support vulnerable residents:

- Residents who are in crisis can apply for a crisis payment, administered by [Citizens Advice Richmond](#).
- More information on food support in the borough can be accessed on the Council's website, including a [leaflet on local food provision](#).
- The Council expects to bolster the FUEL (Holiday Activity and Food) offer available during the main school holidays which provides activities and healthy meals for children entitled to means-tested free school meals.

If you are struggling with the cost of living, advice and support continues to be provided through partnerships with [Citizens Advice and RAID](#).