



King Athelstan Weekly Digest Issue 29 – Friday 6th May 2022

Dear Families,

How lovely to end the week with such beautiful sunshine. We hope you all have a lovely weekend planned.

We hope you are looking forward to the PCSA Platinum Jubilee Garden Party which takes place in just 2 weeks time on Saturday 21st May. Please tell your family and friends to put the date in their diaries and come along for a fabulous afternoon of fun.

Please note, we have published all INSET days and term dates for 2022-23 on our website here: <https://www.kingathelstan.kingston.sch.uk/for-parents-and-carers/term-dates>



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Headteacher

Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 are entitled to Universal Infant free school meals. If your child is in Year 3 to 6 and you receive either Income Support or Child Tax Credit (not Working Tax Credit) you may be entitled to claim for Free School Meals. This would also entitle children to a free club place. For more information and to apply please visit: <https://www.kingston.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>. **Please also apply if your child is in Reception, Y1 or Y2 as we may be entitled to extra funding for your child.** If you are entitled to Free School meals and register by 17th May you will receive £15 FSM vouchers for the May Half term.

Change of Details and Emergency Contacts

Please let us know as soon as possible of any change to details, such as address, telephone numbers, email addresses or contacts. It is very important that we have the correct information for your child. Recently, we have had cases where we could not contact the parent/carer of a sick child as they had not updated us with pick-up/club arrangements. If pick-up arrangements change on the day, please let the office know by **2.30pm** so that messages can be relayed to staff in time. Thank you.

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Platinum Jubilee Plans

We will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a Super Learning Day on **Friday 27th May** where we are asking the whole school community to dress up in either: red, white or blue, or as a prince/princess/Royal. On this day, each child will design and paint a stone to commemorate the occasion which will then be displayed around the school site. We will be learning more about the Queen and famous historical events that have happened over the decades of her reign. We will be taking part in The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) initiative which has been



created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022 and invites people from across the United Kingdom to "Plant a Tree

for the Jubilee". In the afternoon, we will be holding a 'Street Party' on the playground, with jelly and ice cream, music from the decades, and also a performance from the choir. We will be ending the day with everyone singing the National Anthem. This is a moment in history that we will never see again in our lifetimes and we want to make sure that it is memorable for the children and that their wisdom and knowledge is broadened by their learning.

Fundraising



We would like to give a big 'shout out' to Lula (Wiley Class) and Maia (Cassatt Class) who held a garage sale at their house last weekend to raise money for charity. They managed to make £155 and have decided to split the money between a charity helping the people of Ukraine, and the



Big Outdoor Project to refurbish our KS1 playground. Well done to both girls for thinking of others and being so generous.

Spotlight on Geography

In geography this year, the children at King Athelstan have been travelling around the globe, exploring different areas as well as learning about different geographical features. Looking at the impact of human's work on our planet, they also had the opportunity to show their concern for their environment and investigate how to preserve their precious Earth in their daily life.

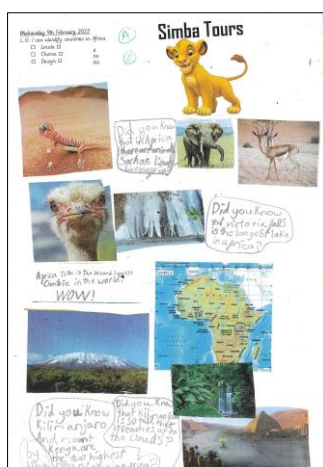
In Early Years, children are observing their surroundings, learning about where they come from and about other children in the classroom. The children are also being exposed to other cultures through food tasting and different celebration.

In Y1 the children have been working on their map skills by following and mapping familiar routes. Throughout the year, they have been recording the weather daily and identifying seasonal changes.

Y2 children started the year by investigating the key physical features of Kingston using aerial photographs and plans to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features. They have devised their own simple maps and constructed basic symbols in a key. Last term, they expanded their understanding of maps by observing famous London landmarks, exploring what they look like and how they are represented on maps. They have observed, in particular, the Monument near Pudding Lane and St Paul's Cathedral.

In Y3 the children have been exploring the impact of climate change on the wider world, debating if anything can be done to stop global warming.

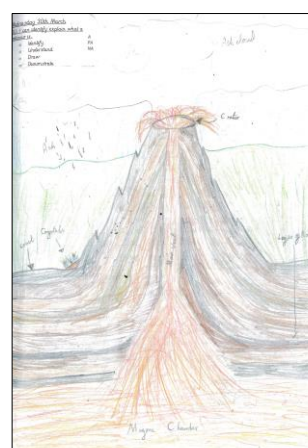
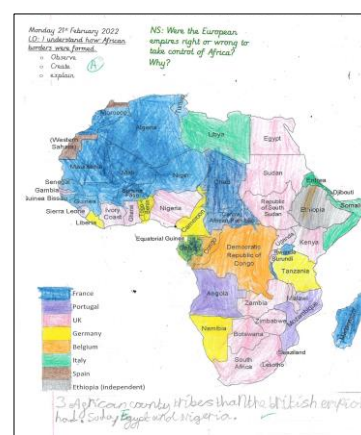
Learning about the continent of Africa and some of the countries within it, they have explored the political and physical geography of this complex continent and have investigated the diversity of its landscapes and climate. They have also compared life in Africa to life in the United Kingdom.



Last term in Y4, the children have been reading ancient and modern maps of Britain, investigating the stunning legacy that the Romans left behind on these shores. While learning about the Mount Vesuvius eruption in history, they have been studying volcanoes, their fascinating features and their impact on nature as well as humans.

Y5 were able to explore coastlines in the UK and other countries and how they can be modified due to erosion and climate change. They have also looked at the impact on humans on those geographical features and the part they have to play in preserving the British coast and preventing climate change. Later in the term the children "visited" the Greek Islands and mainland, comparing the physical geography and climate to that of their own in the UK. They were able to look at Greece's major landmarks from natural to man-made and historical to present. They even had a special Greek day, spending an afternoon perusing Greek landmarks and tasting very delicious real Greek food!

In Y6, the children have spent their geography lessons debating the issue of deforestation, especially in regards to the Amazon Rainforest. They have investigated how logging and aggressive wood manufacture has impacted on climate change as well as how it has devastated the homelands and habitats of the animals that live there.



House Points

Congratulations to **Red House, Dawson**, who are this week's winners again with 26 points! Yellow and Green came joint second on 25, with Blue House just behind on 24. Well done everyone!



Villers (25)



Dawson (26)



Cambridge (25)



Hawks (24)

Achievement Assembly



Achievement Award

Kusama Reception - Gary and Teddy

Nelson Reception - Annie and Talia

Van Gogh Y1 - Jake

O'Keeffe Y1 - Khadija

Hockney Y2 - Mohamad

Matisse Y2 - Hanin

Cassatt Y3 - Elaie

Da Vinci Y3 - Kayla

Mehretu Y4 - Rory

Wiley Y4 - Tharul

Dali Y5 - Oli

Warhol Y5 - Amir & Harry

Kahlo Y6 - Kyle

Riley Y6 - Daniel O and Hassan

PE KS1 - Emmanuel in Hockney Y1

PE KS2 - Martha in Da Vinci Y3

Well done everyone!

TTRS Maths Achievement this week:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Myra	Ari	Alex	Julia	Aletheia	Addison	Elliot
Shiloh	Daniel	Hanin	Max	Martha	Daisie-Mae	Maximus

Jobs at King Athelstan

We advertise any vacancies at King Athelstan via eteach online. We are currently recruiting for a Teaching Assistant (TA) and a Teaching Assistant for the SRP. If you are interested, or know someone who may be interested, please take a look here:

<https://www.eteach.com/jobs/king-athelstan-primary-school-jobs-21372/?oo=ag>



Outdoor Learning



Dali Class Y5 enjoyed reading on the Mound in the KS2 playground, whilst Matisse Class, Y2, were taking advantage of the sun to do their maths lesson outside!

Dates for the Diary

MAY	
Tue 10	PCSA Bags2School - 9am car park
Fri 13	PCSA mufti: wear red, white and blue t-shirt - donations of bottles for Jubilee Garden Party
Mon 16	Y6 Bikeability
Tue 17	Y1 Mini Olympics
Wed 18	Y1 O'Keeffe Class Assembly 9am
Thu 19	National Outdoor Classroom Day
Fri 20	PCSA mufti: wear red, white and blue socks/tights and donations of cakes for Jubilee Garden Party. Tokens on sale for Jubilee Garden Party
Fri 20	Firefighters to visit Reception
Sat 21	Jubilee Garden Party! 2-4pm
Mon 23	SEND parent/carers consultations this week
Wed 25	Y3-Y4 Tennis Competition
Thur 26	School Council Trip to Parliament
Fri 27	Jubilee Super Learning Day Mufti -wear red, white and blue or dress as a prince or princess

JUNE	
Wed 8	Y6 Kids Out to Chessington
Fri 10	Y6 PGL Trip until Monday 13 th
Wed 15	Kusama Class Assembly 9am
Wed 15	Y5 trip to Holly Lodge
Thur 23	Sports Day
Fri 24	INSET Day-children not in school
Tue 28	Y6 trip to Imperial War Museum
Wed 29	Y2 trip to Hampton Court

JULY	
Mon 4	Last week of Clubs
Tue 5	Back up Sports Day (in case of bad weather on 23 rd June)
Wed 6	Y6 Induction Day at secondary
Wed 13	Y6 Production 2pm
Thur 14	Y6 Production 7pm
Thur 21	Y6 Leavers' Assembly
Thur 21	Y5 trip to Science Museum
Fri 22	School finishes one hour earlier

The PCSA is busy organising the Jubilee Garden Party on Saturday 21st May, to which everyone is invited. There were some fantastic red/white/blue-themed hairstyles/hats today for



the first mini-mufti, in return for donations of chocolate for the Garden Party. Next Friday 13th May, everyone can wear a red, white and/or blue t-shirt with their usual school uniform for donations of bottles for the tombola stall.



On Friday 20th May, it's red, white and blue socks/tights (with school uniform) for donations of cakes. Tokens to spend on stalls at the Garden Party will also be on sale on Friday 20th May.

PCSA has also arranged for another **Bag2School** collection on Tuesday 10th May. Please bring any donations to the car park at morning drop off ONLY.

We can collect in good condition:

- Men's, Ladies, Children's & Babies clothing
- All paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around please)
- Handbags, backpacks, purses, laptop bags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Curtains
- Towels
- Bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)
- Toiletries (50% full or more)
- Books

We cannot collect:

- Duvets, blankets, pillows, cushions, carpets/rugs
- Damaged clothing or loose material
- School uniforms


BAG 2 SCHOOL

FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation







King Athelstan Primary School

Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.

PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT)

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:
Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.
(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Please return your Bag2School on:

Tuesday 10th May 2022 by 9:00am

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 helpdesk@bag2school.com