



Dear Families,

We now have just two weeks left of the summer term and the weather looks like it is going to be glorious! Thank you for ensuring children are well prepared for the weather with hats, water bottles and sun cream. This week, EYFS enjoyed Beach Day, Y3 did a local geography walk along the Hogsmill, the Governors spent a day in school, and a group of children went to Wimbledon tennis. This evening another group are attending a very special event at the Coronation Stone in Kingston - more of that next week!



The Senior Leadership Team are spending increasing amounts of time trying to resolve situations that have arisen due to parental use of social media and class/year group WhatsApp groups. This has been time-consuming and has taken us away from our core business of ensuring your children have the very best teaching and learning. If you have any concerns or questions, please come directly to us and ask. We can quickly resolve most things if we know about them. Discussing individual children/staff members/incidents on WhatsApp with inaccurate information causes lots of worry to others and misunderstanding within the parental community. WhatsApp groups are great for reminders about things for school or social things so please keep them for this purpose. Equally, it is totally inappropriate to attempt to contact staff through their personal social media accounts. Staff will not respond to this and will refer any attempted contact to the Senior Leadership Team (SLT).

Finally, if there is ever an incident between your child and another child in school time, please also come and talk to us and do not attempt to resolve it yourself with the other parent/carer. This complicates matters and sometimes then causes disputes between the adults, or makes them feel uncomfortable. The school will always investigate situations that we are made aware of and feedback to you. Thank you for your support in these matters. SLT are here to help. We are on the gates at drop off and pick up times for you to chat to, and one of us will get back to you if you telephone with a query.

Enjoy the weekend.

Emily Newton, Headteacher

Y3 Hogsmill Walk

Year 3 had a wonderful walk along the Hogsmill River this week. We have been studying our local river in Geography and tracing its route from Ewell on the Ordnance Survey maps. The children loved having the opportunity to see the river for themselves and use their developing field work skills to observe and record their experience. They were able to put into practise the geographical vocabulary they have been learning and see first-hand how a river ecosystem works. During



the walk, we were lucky enough to see several families of new water bird chicks, including a nest of cygnets down at the mouth of the Hogsmill by the River Thames. The detailed maps they drew when they returned to school showed just how much



first-hand experience they had absorbed. Throughout the trip, the children were amazing in their observations and engagement with their learning and as always were a credit to the school! Year 3 Team.

Changes over the Summer Holiday

If you are aware of any plans which may affect your child's return to school, please email admin@kingathelstan.rbksch.org to let us know. This includes house and/or school moves, or new phone numbers or emails addresses. As you know, our home-school communication relies heavily on email, so please make sure we have the correct details. Thank you.

EYFS Beach Day



The Nursery and Reception children had a wonderful Beach Day! The children all enjoyed jumping in the paddling pools, throwing the water balloons, limbo, hook a duck and much, much more! Thank you to all the parents and carers who managed to come along and join in - this will be a day to remember!



School Shoes

Clarks Shoes have asked us to tell families of their Measure and Fit Appointment service as you start to think about school uniform shopping for the new school year. Skip the queues and book a 15 minute measure and fit appointment at a designated time to suit you, here: <https://www.clarks.co.uk/measureandfit-in-store> They also offer Quiet Time appointments for children who may feel overwhelmed with the experience. To book a Quiet Time, call the Kingston store on 020 8546 0388. John Lewis also offer a shoe fitting service, and black school shoes are also widely available from high street stores and supermarkets.



Kingston Music Service

Join Kingston Music Service for its Summer Open Day at the Hook Centre on Saturday 16th July 2022. Local families with children of any age are welcome to watch a wide range of musical instruments being demonstrated - drum kit/percussion, piano/keyboard, woodwind/brass, string instruments, guitar and ukulele. You can meet our expert tutors and find out more about the music tuition on offer locally to both adults and children. There is also a free singing workshop for young people aged 7-13. Please contact musicservice@kingston.gov.uk for more information and to book your free place.



Clubs for Autumn 2022

We have sent the letter about extra-curricular clubs for the autumn term. We have even more clubs available from September. The booking system opens at 9am tomorrow, when the link to the Google Form will be emailed to you. Please note, we will add clubs for Reception classes from the second half of the term to allow the children to settle into school.

International Day - Help Needed!

Thank you to those who have let us know what dishes they are making for the International Day Food Market on Tuesday 19th July. So far, we have food from Spain, Greece, Wales, Turkey, South Africa and India amongst others! If you are able to contribute, please complete the form here: <https://forms.gle/2Xqs3nXLY7xNsYmq5> Thank you.



Breaktime Snacks in KS2

With immediate effect, and in line with KS1, children in KS2 may bring fresh fruit and vegetables **only** for their breaktime snack. They are not permitted to have Fruit Winders, Yoyo Bears, yogurt-covered items, cheese strings, crackers, breadsticks or crisps. Thank you for your cooperation.

Three Peaks Challenge

Our intrepid Three Peaks Challenge team, who were so disappointed not to be able to undertake the challenge at the end of June, are now planning for June 2023 instead. However, they would like to say a huge thank you to all who have donated in good faith and also well done to all the children completing their own challenges! So far, donations stand at an amazing:

Online donations	Gift aid	Total
£5,556.00	£929.75	£6,485.75



Spotlight on Maths

Our Maths Curriculum at King Athelstan follows a teaching for mastery approach so that children are given opportunities to master maths topics, developing a deep and secure understanding of each area of learning. In a recent pupil voice survey, it was great to hear so many children have a positive attitude towards maths and express how they enjoy a challenge.



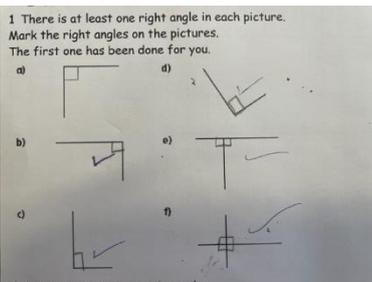
In Nursery, we have been looking at one number each week and are currently focusing on numbers 6 to 10. We meet the Numberblock on CBeebies and see different representations of it, e.g. 6 coins, 6 candles, 6 on a die and the numeral 6. We get to be number detectives when looking at representations to see if it is a representation of our focus number or not, and how we know. We have enjoyed having a certain amount of multilinks to manipulate into different shapes.

In Reception, we have been working hard to become fluent with number bonds up to 10, including double facts. We have been singing different number songs, including 5 little speckled frogs, and had fun playing hiding games to help us become fluent with bonds to 5. We had a set number of objects, then hid some, and our friend had to recall how many were hidden. We have represented these bonds on a die frame and in part-part whole models.



In Year 1, we have been learning about position and direction. We have been instructing our friends to make whole, half, quarter and three-quarter turns, and then using this to help give directions to a specific place. We then learnt lots of positional language and we enjoyed describing the position of the superheroes and building shapes with the multi-links to then describe where the colours are in our shapes.

In Year 2, we have been developing our knowledge of time so that we can become more confident in telling the time to quarter hour intervals and 5-minute intervals. We have learnt how to read the time, make the time and draw the hands. We had to concentrate really hard to make sure we drew the hands to their correct length. We have had great fun playing our time challenge where we call out when it is a specific time, e.g. all quarter pasts.



In Year 3, we have been looking at angles. We can recognise that a right angle is a quarter turn and have explored how many right angles make a half turn and full turn. On shapes, we can recognise right angles and we have also been able to compare whether an angle is greater or less than one. Additionally, this term, we have



had fun hunting around the classroom for items that we could measure with our rulers. We are able to record measurements in cm and mm.

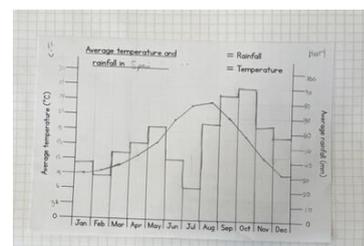
In Year 4, we have also been exploring angles, as well as 2-D shapes. When learning about angles, we discussed their importance in real life contexts, such as architecture, football games and tennis. We can identify acute angles, obtuse angles, and angles greater than 180 degrees and had fun searching around the school for angles with our 'right angle identifier'. We then brought our knowledge of angles into the classroom when looking at a variety of shapes, such as triangles. More recently, we have discussed and understood the properties required to be a polygon, considering the different types, such as quadrilaterals.



In Year 5, we have been learning about position and direction. We have had fun plotting on a life-size grid, showing the first quadrant, and using mini versions at our tables. This learning has also linked in with our shapes topic, as we identified and created 2-D shapes on our grids using coordinates provided, and then reflected these across a mirror line. Most recently, we learnt about how to translate a shape from one

area on a grid to another. This term we have also explored 3-D shapes and created our own using a net provided. We decorated our shapes with their properties and patterns.

In Year 6, we worked extremely hard towards our SATs tests. Since completing them, we have been exploring real life contexts where lots of mathematical skills are required. We were given a selection of holiday destinations to choose from, where we considered their climate whilst picking. Using our graph skills, we plotted our chosen country's rainfall and temperature, and later on we are going to need to consider the expenses for the trip. Another task we will have to do is to convert between the British Pound and the currency used in the country of choice.



Achievement Assembly

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



Achievement Award

Friday 8th July 2022

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| Nelson Reception - Sophie | Kusama Reception - Skie & Aythan |
| Van Gogh Y1 - AJ | O'Keeffe Y1 - Zoe & Aaliyah |
| Hockney Y2 - George | Matisse Y2 - Zak |
| Cassatt Y3 - Harry | Da Vinci Y3 - Sofia and Amber |
| Mehretu Y4 - Rayyan | Wiley Y4 - Ava |
| Dali Y5 - Rosie | Warhol Y5 - Issy |
| Kahlo - Lilian | Riley - Karan, Megan and Harry |
| KS1 PE - Lillie in O'Keeffe Y1 | KS2 PE - Elliot in Riley Y6 and Eme in Wiley Y4 |

TTRS Maths Achievement this week:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Serah	Lorelai	Bethany	Shahzeen	Ollie	Yahya	Elliot
Shiloh	Pedro	Alessandro	Alba	Roanna	Hamdan	Rebecca

House Points

Congratulations to **Green** House, this week's winner with 29 points! Red came second with 28, Yellow on 27 and Blue on 22. Well done everyone!



Villers (29)



Dawson (28)



Cambridge (27)

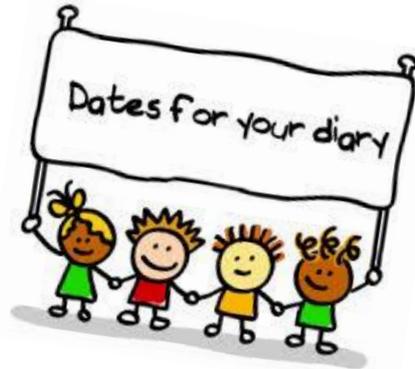


Hawks (22)

Dates for the Diary

JULY	
Wed 13	Y6 Production 2pm
Thur 14	Y6 Production 7pm
Fri 15	Y4 Ukulele Concert 2.30pm
Fri 15	Y6 Party
Tue 19	International Day
Thur 21	Y5 trip to Science Museum
Thur 21	Y6 Leavers' Assembly & tea 1.45pm
Fri 22	Break up for summer 1 hour earlier

SEPTEMBER	
Thur 1	INSET Day
Fri 2	INSET Day
Mon 5	Children start school
Tue 26	Clubs start this week



Summer Reading Challenge 2022

GADGETEERS

Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

Read six library books this summer to win a medal!
plus a mini prize for every book you read

Sign up at your local library
9th July - 10th September

for ages 4 - 11

SATURDAY 16TH JULY
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