



Dear Families,

I know many of you are concerned about Met Office heatwave alert for Monday and Tuesday which has now increased to red. The DfE issued a clear message yesterday about children's safety during the heatwave and our local guidance has not changed since then. The school is planning to be open as usual with the measures in place that we wrote to you about earlier today. We appreciate that you may make decisions yourselves regarding your own children and the best choices for their health and wellbeing during this period.

A number of families have asked about collecting children in Reception to Year 6 after lunchtime, at 1.30pm. We are happy for this to happen, but you will need to complete this Google Form <https://forms.gle/GHvMVj4UXL1d6F8d7> so that we know who to expect to go home at this point. We can only dismiss at this one time, and not a range of different points across the afternoon.

All children **MUST** wear a hat to school and **MUST** have their water bottles. They must have sun cream on and can bring a named bottle to reapply. If they are cooler in PE kit and sandals then it is fine for them to wear this.

If there is any further update over the weekend, we will contact you by email and update the school website.

We have taken the difficult decision to postpone International Day which was due to be on Tuesday so this will be a normal school day.

Take extra care of each other over the next few days of the heatwave.

Emily Newton, Headteacher

Guildhall Event

As mentioned last week, a group of Y6 children represented the school at a special event in Kingston on Friday 8th July. It formed part of Kingston's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. We were one of seven schools invited to



represent each of the seven Saxon Kings. We made a large display all about King Athelstan and also made a crown out of modroc to represent the one he might have worn. The children spoke to Prince Edward, who was guest of honour, and told him all about King Athelstan. The children very much enjoyed their royal experience, and made the school staff very proud.



Three Peaks Challenge

On Thursday Mrs Williamson and Mr Mc Laughlin delivered a Virtual 3 Peaks celebration assembly. All of the children were celebrated for their achievements and some children were given the opportunity to discuss their challenges. Each child received a certificate and special sticker which they are taking home with them today. We have also ordered 'King Athelstan Star' pin badges which will arrive in September. These will be sent to the current Y6 as they will have made the transition to secondary school. Congratulations to all of the children who participated in the Virtual 3 Peaks challenge. We were so impressed with the challenges submitted. Thank you also to all of you who have sponsored the children. So far we have raised £6,485.75, which is amazing! We will provide you with an update on the staff and parent/carers 3 Peaks Challenge once we have finalised the details.



Spotlight on Design Technology (DT)

Design Technology (DT) is imaginative at King Athelstan. All the children have the opportunity to be creative and develop their sense of inventing. Design Technology has been made cross-curricular so the children are able to have contextual background to their learning. Throughout the DT curriculum, children are actively learning skills in cooking, textiles and structures.

Recently, the whole school was able to make exciting treats for the Queen's Jubilee. It was a huge success, in which all the children enjoyed participating.

Miss Mattarooa, DT Lead



Every time **Nursery** are baking they make the corridors smell scrumptious! They are always thinking creatively, particularly with food. They have made lots of delicious treats this year. They have made smoothies, shortbread biscuits, gingerbread and cupcakes.



Every day **Reception** are thinking creatively. During our Jubilee celebration they developed their construction skills by building castles fit for the royal family. The children have also been able to taste foods from different countries and make tasty treats.

Year 1 have thought about their planning and designing skills. They have thought about different rooms in a home, thinking carefully and labelling images to analyse the similarities and difference. The children celebrated Chinese New Year by making their own Chinese lanterns and finally will be creating their own hand puppets, beginning their exploration of textiles.

This year, **Year 2** have been very lucky with a range of DT projects. At the start of the year, the children thought about their local area and examined 'The Out of Order Telephones' in Kingston. The children were set the task to think about creating their own 'King Athelstan' telephone boxes. They thought carefully about the process to making - creating a design brief and prototype. In the Spring term, they baked delicious bread and recently made guacamole as they were thinking about Mexico in Geography. The children enjoyed mashing and stirring the ingredients.



At the start of the year, **Year 3** learnt about the Stone Age and they created their own Stone Age food for a character called UG. The children enjoyed watching the fruits shimmer but thought carefully about how cooking was very different to 2.5 million years ago. Recently, whilst learning about Africa, they tested out their sewing abilities by making their own exciting African cushions.

This year, **Year 4** crafted their own Ancient Egyptian artefact by making a 'Shaduf'. The children explored their woodwork skills by clamping and sawing the wood safely. Thinking like architects the children had to think carefully about how they could assemble their pieces of wood successfully to create a device which could lift water from wells.



Year 5, have had many Super Learning Days incorporating their Design Technology learning. At the start of the year, they made their own Viking boats, using their textile and structural skills. In the Spring term, they enjoyed learning about Greece whereby they sampled some Greek foods and then made delectable Greek pancakes with honey

and sugar on top. Soon, they will be making their own Victorian toys. They have begun their learning by making simple spinners.



Year 6 have evolved their skills by putting key skills together everything they have learnt over the years. At the start of the year, they explored their textile skills by making cuddly toys. They used their topic 'The Unknown' to create their own unknown creature. Using a range of stitches, the children were able to successfully make their toys. More recently, the children created their own board games. They started this process by thinking about the features of these games and what had made them successful.

Hogsmill Herald

You may have noticed a newspaper on sale in the KS1 playground today. This is the Hogsmill Herald, a wonderful publication produced by a group of intrepid Y5 (and other) students, led by David, Harry, Roan and Sam. The Herald costs just £1 with proceeds donated to the Big Outdoors Project to fund the KS1 playground. Copies will be on sale after school next week as well, so please support these young entrepreneurs.



Nurture Allotment

The Y1 and Y2 Nurture Groups have been busy harvesting their allotment this week. This year they have been growing beetroots, carrots, strawberries, potatoes and tomatoes. Y2 then roasted the beetroot with some home-grown sage - delicious! They are hoping that the tomatoes will be ripe before the end of term....



Events this week

- Y6 performed "We'll Meet Again" for families on Wednesday afternoon and again on Thursday evening with sell-out performances. It was a fabulous show with wonderful singing and acting. Congratulations to all of Y6 and the whole team behind them for doing such an amazing job. We are waiting for the official DVDs and USBs to arrive and will despatch them as soon as possible.
- The whole of Y1 went off to Littlehampton to spend the day at the seaside. They had a fantastic time with a picnic lunch and a paddle in the sea!
- Y4 were fabulous in their Ukulele Concert for parents and carers. They want to say a big thank you to Music teacher Mr Thomas for teaching them great renditions of "What shall we do with the Drunken Sailor?", George Ezra's "Shotgun" and The Beatles' "Octopus's Garden". Y3 were invited to the concert, to get a flavour of their music lessons next year, and they enjoyed every minute. Well done Y4.
- Y6 have their Leavers' Disco this evening from 6-8pm and it promises to be a fun event after all their hard work throughout school.

House Points

Red House are the runaway winners this week on 31 points. Green are not too far behind on 28, with Blue and Yellow on 21 and 20. Well done everyone!



Villers (28)



Dawson (31)



Cambridge (20)



Hawks (21)

Dates for the Diary

JULY	
Tue 19	International Day - POSTPONED
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



Local Events of Interest

Kingston First



Here are some fun family activities that us at Kingston First (the town centre's Business Improvement District) have organised over the summer holidays for local families.

Most of the events are free which is great for families feeling the pinch at the moment with the rising cost of living. All activities are in Kingston town centre and will be posted on our website www.kingstonuponthames.info - they include the likes of £1 boat trips, storytelling, circus skills, free milkshake and sushi-making and cupcake decorating!

Thumbs Up It's Thursday

On **Thursday 28 July and 4, 11, 18, 25 August**, our much-loved 'Thumbs Up It's Thursday' events will return, a programme full of exciting summer family fun in the town centre. The best part; most activities won't cost you a penny! From storytelling to boat trips, circus skills to sushi-making and cupcake decorating to crafty workshops, there's plenty to keep little ones happy.

If you get peckish, some of the town centre's top eateries will be offering 'Kids Eat Free' deals to take advantage of, so you can grab a delicious lunch before heading back out for more fun! [Here's a link to find out more](#)



OPEN DAY

Kingston Fire Station

Saturday, 16 July 2022 12pm–5pm

- Your chance to meet local firefighters.
- Get fire safety advice and arrange a free smoke alarm fitting.
- See our latest fire service equipment and watch rescue demonstrations.

390 Richmond Road Kingston KT2 5PR
For more info contact Kingston Fire Station:
T 0208 555 1200 ext: 84555
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Free places to visit in London:

1. Be amazed at the **Natural History Museum**: Meet a roaring T-Rex and feel the ground shake on the earthquake simulator.
2. Step into the past at the **Ragged School Museum**: See what life was like for the poor and destitute children of London's East End during the late 1800s.
3. Enjoy seafaring tales at the **National Maritime Museum**: Stoke the boiler of a steamship in the AHOY! Children's gallery.
4. Spend hours at the **British Museum**: Be wowed by the Rosetta Stone and Egyptian mummies.
5. Time travel at the **Museum of London**: Walk through the streets of Victorian London, head back to Roman times or explore the modern-day city.
6. Get interactive at the **Science Museum**: Spot space rockets and giant steam engines, and enjoy hands-on activities.
7. Explore the collections at the **Young V&A**: See childhood objects and take part in daily activities, including storytelling and crafting. **Currently closed for refurbishment.**
8. Learn about London's trade at the **Museum of London Docklands**: Step into Sailortown, a reconstruction of 19th-century London.
9. Find quirky exhibits at the **Wellcome Collection**: Discover Napoleon's toothbrush and Darwin's walking stick.

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.





KIDS EAT FOR FREE OR LESS DURING SUMMER 2022



MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 to get a free kids meal after 3pm daily, normally all day during half term.

ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 every day with NO need for a paying adult from 25th July - 4th Sept, 2022.

DUNELM

One free mini main, two snacks and a drink for every £4 spent in the in-store cafe.

YO! Kids eat free from 3pm-5:30pm Mon-Thurs for every £10 spent on food.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Free breakfast for two children under 16 with every paying adult.

HUNGRY HORSE

Free kids breakfast with an adults breakfast from 9am-12pm daily.

IKEA

Get TWO kids hot meals, fruit, drink and jelly for £5 in their Swedish restaurants (subject to availability).

BELLA ITALIA

Kids eat for £1 with each adult meal from 4-6pm on Mon-Thurs.

DOBBIES

Kids eat free with an adult main meal.

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 get a free breakfast with one paying adult every day.

CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal excluding Saturday.

MORE TO COME!!

M&S, TESCO and more expected soon, see websites for latest information.

PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2022



COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL



ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 all day, every day with no adult spend from 25th July - 4th Sept 2022

FUTURE INNS

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal during the school holidays

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

YO! SUSHI

Kid's eat free from 3pm-5:30pm, Monday to Thursday until 1st September 2022

THE REAL GREEK

Kids eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

From June 27th kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend

MARKS & SPENCER CAFE

Likely But Not Yet Announced

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 after 3pm daily & get one free kids meal (usually all day during half term)

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat breakfast free with every adult breakfast, daily from 9am - 12pm.

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Monday to Thursday

CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 when you order one adult's main meal. Excludes Saturdays

SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Only valid Wednesdays but on all day

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

One free children's meal per paid adult meal 12-5pm daily throughout the holidays

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto

FARMHOUSE INNS

Likely But Not Yet Announced

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