



King Athelstan Weekly Digest Issue 33 – Friday 7th June 2024

Dear Families,

What a fabulous week! We had a wonderful International Day yesterday. The children looked amazing and enjoyed a busy day of activities. A huge thank you to all the families who made such delicious food for the Market after school. Thank you also to Madame Bailey for organising the day.

This morning we waved 54 Y6 children off on their weekend residential. They are spending today at the Cotswold Wildlife Park and then from late afternoon will be at PGL Liddington, completing all sorts of exciting challenges and ending with a camp fire on Sunday night. We know they will have an amazing time. A huge thank you to the staff team and all parents and carers for ensuring everyone was ready with all the right equipment. It was a tight squeeze on the coach with all the luggage!

On Monday we had a visit from Fr Joe Moffatt and Mr David Condry, Director of Music, from All Saints Church in Kingston. We will be doing some work with the Church next year around the 1100th anniversary of the accession of King Athelstan (he was crowned at the site of All Saints Church). Mr Condry runs the choir at All Saints and led the children in singing a round of 'Swing Low Sweet Chariot'. Please see the information at the end of this Digest about opportunities to join the choir at All Saints if you wish.

Next Thursday is class photo day - please see further information below as all children will need to be in full school uniform (no PE uniform) on this day.

Have a lovely weekend.

Emily Newton, Headteacher

Kahlo Class Assembly

Kahlo Class presented a great assembly on Wednesday, all about war. They devised and performed their own 'haka', a type of ceremonial dance in New Zealand's Māori culture. They demonstrated all their learning about the second world war, and sang some wonderful songs from that time, such as 'Pack up your Troubles' and a very poignant 'We'll Meet Again'. Well done Kahlo Class!



Walk to School Week

Thank you to all our families for your amazing support of our Walk to School Week 20th-24th May. The children



were very inspired by the challenge and Y5 pupil Teddy (who designed all the artwork) made a Powerpoint presentation to announce the winners to all in assembly on Monday.

Points were awarded for how many children in each class walked/rode a bike or scooter to school each day. In third place was O'Keefe Class Y1 with 115 points. Dali Class Y5 were second with 117 points, and with a huge 134 points in first place was Mehretu Class Y4!



Class Photographs

Next **Thursday 13th June**, the children will have their photograph taken with their class. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time to ensure they are present for their scheduled time slot.

All children from Reception to Y6 must wear full smart school uniform including school shoes. If your child has PE or MUGA day on Thursday, **they must bring a pair of trainers in a carrier bag to change into for their PE lesson.** Our Year 6 leavers will have additional leaver photos taken on the day.

Individual and sibling photos will take place in the Autumn term.

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International Day



We celebrated International Day on **Thursday 6th June**. It was a non-uniform day and so children wore wonderful traditional clothes from another country or the colours of the flag of their class' chosen country. There were some amazing 'windows to a world' creations, which will be put on display. There was a variety of exciting activities across the school, such as learning about ancient Greece and the first ever Olympic games, Flamenco dancing, Spanish fan-making, Moroccan mosaic bookmarks and a New Zealand treasure hunt. We also held our International Food Market after school once again and there was a fantastic array of dishes



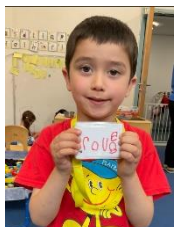
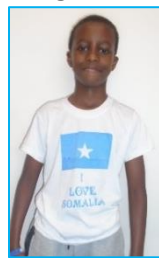
from around the world. Thank you so much to everyone who contributed dishes,



videos, and who helped out at the Market. We will let you know how much money was raised, too. We hope



everyone enjoyed this celebration of languages, cultures and food that make King Athelstan great!



DATES FOR THE DIARY

JUNE 2024	
Tuesday 11	Y6 PGL children not in school
Wednesday 12	Y6 Kids Out - Chessington World of Adventures
Thursday 13	Class Photographs
Friday 14	PCSA Indie Disco, adults only Tickets here
Monday 17	Choir concert at the Rose Theatre
Tuesday 18	Author to visit Y4, Y5 and Y6
Tuesday 18	SEND Parent/Carer Consultations - in person between 3.30-4.30pm
Thursday 20	SEND Parent/Carer Consultations - in person between 4.00-5.30pm
Friday 21	Bring empty clean jars, tin cans and toilet roll centres for Fair
Friday 21	Reception Cake Sale
Friday 21	PCSA Y5 Disco 7-8.30pm Tickets here
Monday 24	Y5 Workshop at The Hollyfield School
Monday 24	Y6 Junior Roadwatch
Tuesday 25	Y3 Country Dancing Festival - go to ParentPay
Wednesday 26	EYFS Sports Day at school
Thursday 27	KS1 and KS2 Sports Day at Athelstan Park
Friday 28	Y3 trip to the Science Museum - go to ParentPay
Friday 28	Bring toys & games for Fair. Children can wear inside out uniform
JULY 2024	
Monday 1	Y6 Transition Day (Richmond Schools)
1-5 July	1 million step challenge for Diabetes UK
Wednesday 3	Y6 Transition Day (Kingston Schools)
Thursday 4	Chocolates, sweets, bottles and cakes donation for the Fair. Children can wear crazy socks.
Friday 5	INSET Day - children not in school
Saturday 6	PCSA Summer Fair 12-3pm
Monday 8	Last week of clubs
Wednesday 10	Dali Class Assembly 9am - families welcome
Wednesday 10	Thinker's Project Exhibition 3.20-3.50pm
Wednesday 10	Thinker's Project Exhibition 5.30-6pm
Wednesday 10	EYFS Beach Day
Thursday 11	Y1 Trip to Littlehampton - go to ParentPay
Friday 12	Y2 trip to Hampton Court- go to ParentPay
Friday 12	PCSA Y6 Disco at school 7-8.30pm Tickets here
Wednesday 17	Y6 Production 2pm
Thursday 18	Y6 Production 7pm
Sunday 21	PCSA Dragon Boat Racing Tickets here
Tuesday 23	Y6 Leavers' Assembly & Tea 2pm. Families invited
Wednesday 24	PCSA Whole school picnic in Athelstan Park from 2.10pm
Wednesday 24	School breaks up for the summer holidays one hour earlier than usual No KOOSA Kids on this day

Amazon Wish List

Thank you so much to everyone who has been kind enough to purchase items from our List - it is very much appreciated. The link is: <https://amzn.eu/hcy87Hz>. There is, of course, no obligation to buy anything.



KOOSA Kids

All bookings for KOOSA holiday clubs and after-school clubs can be made on the [KOOSA website](#).



King Athelstan Job Vacancies

We currently have three job vacancies in school, which are all advertised on eteach. Please see the links here for further details and to apply.

- Clerk to the Governing Body: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/kingathelstan-kingston/job/clerk-to-the-governing-body-1428776/?lang=en-GB>
- Teaching Assistant: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/kingathelstan-kingston/job/teaching-assistant-1423032>
- Apprentice Teaching Assistant: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/kingathelstan-kingston/job/apprentice-teaching-assistant-1428779>

Achievement Assembly



Achievement Award

O'Keeffe Y1 - Paula & Ozzy	Van Gogh Y1 - Sophia
Hockney Y2 - Elif	Matisse Y2 - Amina
Cassatt Y3 - Nadia	Da Vinci Y3 - Nina
Mehretu Y4 - Abdulrahman	Wiley Y4 - Grace
Warhol Y5 - Adam	Dali Y5 - Natalia

Oscar from Warhol Class Y5 accompanied KS2 assembly beautifully on the piano,
and Rachel from Hockney Class Y2 played for KS1 assembly.

Diversity and Equality Champion certificates were awarded to Karlis and Elaie from Dali Class

Times Tables Rock Stars/NumBots Maths Champions this week:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Salma	Alan	Ruby	Grace	Karlis
Ronnie	Anna	Pedro	Agatha	
Amina from Matisse Class won the TTRS battle which was set over half-term. Well done Amina!				

PCSA

The PCSA (Parent Carer Staff Association) brings together parents, carers and staff to support the school and to raise money. All parents/carers are automatically members. Upcoming events:

- Friday 21st June - Year 5 Summer disco*
- Friday 21st June - Reception cake sale
- Saturday 6th July - Summer Fair 12-3pm
- Friday 12th July - Year 6 leavers disco*
- Sunday 21st July - Dragon Boat race team ([sign up here](#))
- Friday 4th, 12th & 19th July - Year 6 Ice lolly sales
- Wednesday 24th July - School's out picnic, Athelstan Park

*[Tickets for all events can be found here](#)



The Summer Fair will soon be here! There will be lots of stalls, including face painting, an ice cream van, food trucks and a ride! **PLEASE VOLUNTEER** with your year group rep if you haven't already done so.

Please start saving some of the following for our donation days:

21st June - empty jam jars (don't need lids) and tin cans, loo roll centres and scraps of coloured paper

28th June - Toys/games in good condition for tombola *children can wear their school uniform inside out on this day*

4th July - Sweets, bottles, chocolates (no nuts) and cakes that will keep (any that won't keep can be brought on the day) *children can wear crazy socks on this day*

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:

All Saints Church - There is a new junior choir aimed at children in Years 2, 3 and 4. There is no audition, it is simply for children who love to sing and want to sing with other children. This is an excellent opportunity for children of all levels of ability and experience to not only have fun and make new friends, but also to become great singers and learn about music. The choir will take place on Friday afternoons at 4.15pm, but once they have built up plenty of confidence and are sounding great, All Saints would love to invite the junior choir to take part in occasional services and in concerts with school choirs and the Choir of All Saints Kingston. To join, please email choir@allsaintskingston.co.uk or come along on Friday afternoon.



Royal Opera House Youth Opera - Applications for the [Royal Opera House's Youth Opera programme's](https://www.roh.org.uk/learning/young-people/youth-opera-company#apply) close on **June 10th**. The youth programmes are free of charge and give children access to leading vocal and drama training and the chance to perform in world class opera productions. Applicants do not need to have had formal singing training, just a love of singing, be singing on a regular basis, and have an enthusiasm and curiosity to explore and perform opera. Please go to the link below for more information on the programmes and how to apply. Children must be aged 7-11 at time of audition: <https://www.roh.org.uk/learning/young-people/youth-opera-company#apply>



Kingston Bike Ride - Join Kingston Cycling Campaign and friends on **Sunday 7 July 2024** for the next in their fun-packed series of family-friendly rides. Designed with all ages and cycling abilities in mind, this easy-paced and flat 6-mile ride uses quiet roads and traffic-free routes in North Kingston, venturing into Richmond Park and past Ham House before heading back to Canbury Gardens along the Thames towpath. It is organised by [Kingston Cycling Campaign](#) with the support of [Full Cycle Community Bike Project](#) and [Friends of Canbury Gardens](#).



- Meet by the bandstand in Canbury Gardens at **10.45am** for the ride briefing before setting off at **11am**. Full Cycle volunteers will be on hand to give some basic bike TLC before and after the ride.
- Why not pack a picnic, take advantage of the nearby Canbury Secret Cafe and The Boaters Inn pub and enjoy the afternoon Canbury Bandstand concert - part of the [Summer Sunday series](#) - from 3-5pm.
- Register for your free place on tiny.cc/FunRideJuly24 (NB: links to <https://lcc.org.uk/events/kingston-family-friendly-summer-bike-ride/>)