



King's Academy Binfield
Dare to be Remarkable



01/07/22

Head of Primary News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much to those who were able to attend our after school open events. I really hope you enjoyed looking through your child's school books and spending time within their classroom. It was so lovely to see so many of you and this is an event we will aim to run two to three times next year. This week we welcomed a new member of staff Miss McGough to our Binfield Primary team and she will be working with Mrs Greaves in the office.

Coming up next week, on Thursday 7th, we have our Transition Day! This will be an opportunity to invite all of our new starters into school and for our current children to meet their new teachers. Our current Year 4 students will meet their new Year 5 teacher on Wednesday 13th July instead. The teachers are busy planning for exciting activities for the children to take part in on Transition Day.

Please see below the class teachers for all classes for 2022 - 2023:

KAB

| Class | Teacher |
|--------------|------------------|
| Ruby - N | Miss C Greaney |
| Emerald - R | Miss N Mederson |
| Jade - R | Mr E Jung |
| Opal - 1 | Miss J Wetherell |
| Topaz - 2 | Miss H Kenney |
| Quartz - 3 | Miss L Findlay |
| PPA | Mr M Rumble |
| Sports Coach | Mr J Fisher |
| SENDCO | Mrs S Jones |

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KAO

| Class | Teacher |
|--------------|------------------|
| Willow - R | Mrs C Troublé |
| Ash - 1 | Mrs S Wright |
| Birch - 2 | Miss E Begbie |
| Chestnut - 3 | Miss A Palmer |
| Pine - 4 | Mrs J Fitzgibbon |
| Sycamore - 5 | Miss V Bond |
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Sadly, Miss Elsayed will be leaving us to go on an adventure around the World. We will miss Miss Elsayed very much and wish her all the very best for her travels.

Parent Survey Feedback

Thank you to all those who completed the Parent Survey a couple of months ago. We do read all of the feedback and it was so wonderful to read so many overwhelmingly positive comments and we are always striving to develop and grow our Academies. Attached is a 'You said, we did' poster which explains some of the key actions we have taken following parental feedback. The results shown are our combined results for primary and secondary at both KAB and KAO.

I wanted to share a couple of primary phase only percentages with you because I was so pleased with them. When asked 'is your child happy at school?', 100% of you agreed or strongly agreed. The happiness of your children is our main priority because we know happy children will thrive in their learning. When asked, 'would you recommend the Academy?' an overwhelming 99% said yes. Word of mouth is so powerful and we are so pleased that you would recommend us if asked. Thank you as always for your support, it means so much to all of the staff.

Summer Art & Technology Exhibition

The Creative Arts team are proud to announce our Summer Creative Arts Exhibition will take place on Thursday 14th July from 5.30pm - 7.30pm.

The exhibition will showcase a range of work produced from primary though to our GCSE students. Work from Fine Art, Photography, Textiles & Design Technology will all be on display. For primary, a couple of pieces of artwork from each class will be included.

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Mrs Digby and her Food Preparation & Nutrition GCSE students will also be providing afternoon tea refreshments which we hope you will enjoy!

We will also have some live musical performances from our secondary students.

Please join us for what will be a lovely way to celebrate the hard work and dedication of our students at King's Academy Binfield & Oakwood.

Parking Concerns

We know our parents are really considerate, but just a reminder to please park thoughtfully at drop off and collection.

Summer Fair

Our wonderful PTA are running our very first Summer Fair on Saturday 9th July at KAO between 12pm and 3pm. We are hoping the event is a great fundraising success and a lovely community event for KAB and KAO. Please do attend if you are able to. The PTA have put a lot of thought and effort into making the event as fun as possible. We hope to see you there!

Have a wonderful weekend. It is quite unbelievable to think that there are only three weeks of this academic year left.

Best wishes,



Jacqueline Tate
Head of Primary



Diary Dates

Important Dates:

Tuesday 21st June: KAO open afternoon 3:45pm - 4:45pm
Wednesday 22nd June - Year 2 Trip to Milestones Museum
Thursday 23rd June: KAB open afternoon 3:45pm - 4:45pm
Monday 4th July: KAO Sports Day - morning (more info to follow)
Tuesday 5th July: KAB Sports Day - morning (more info to follow)
Wednesday 6th July: INSET Day
Thursday 7th July: Transition Day
Saturday 9th July: PTA Summer Fair for KAB and KAO at KAO
Thursday 14th July: Year R Theatre Trip
Tuesday 19th - Thursday 21st July: Year 4 residential to Runway's End
Friday 22nd July - Last day of summer term (finish at 12:15pm)

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Ruby

We have been reading the story 'Stanley's Stick' and thinking about the different ways we can imaginatively (and safely) play with sticks. The children came up with wonderful ideas as we explored different shaped sticks such as a moustache, a fishing rod, a hair band and a litter picker. We have also been exploring different ways to use sticks as we play and learn, such as for painting or making creative pictures.



This week we have been reading the powerful story of 'The Blue Giant' and thinking about how we can look after our planet earth and the environment. The children have been very passionate during our discussions and have thought of some excellent ways we already look after our planet and things we can try to do even more of. We have taken the opportunity to do some litter picking around the school and have been very proud of our efforts to keep our environment safe, clean and tidy. Well done Ruby Class.



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Emerald

Word of the Week (last week): Gravity

Word of the Week: Eclipse

We've had another 'Out of this World' couple of weeks learning about Space! The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the different planets in our Solar system and are able to recall lots of interesting facts about them, such as how Jupiter has lots of moons, how Mars is red because of Iron in the rocks and soil and how Venus is named after the Roman goddess of love! Acting out the solar system in our garden helped the children to remember the order of the planets and understand how they orbit around the sun. The children have also enjoyed listening to the music of Holst and guessing which planet each piece in the suite is about. There has been some incredible writing about the planets this week- it is wonderful to see the children's independent writing skills flourishing in preparation for Year 1.

As well as learning more about the planets, the children have discovered more about what a solar eclipse is this week and enjoyed some moon crater maths where they had to solve a mission working out how many moon craters there were! In PE, we have been practising for Sports Day and we can't wait to see you there, cheering us on!

In Spanish, Emerald Class have enjoyed learning more about Spanish cuisine and had fun in our Food Tech room this week cooking up the Spanish dessert 'Leche' Fritte'. They utterly enjoyed devouring the sweet milky treats!



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Opal

Opal class have spent the last two weeks focused on the art of bread-making. After some spectacular results producing a version of Challah bread (a traditional Jewish bread) we have been hard at work scrutinising recipes and learning how to write excellent instructions for food preparation. The children are very proud of the results (especially the food!).




Our recipe instructions!

Challah bread recipe

Ingredients

- Flour
- Yeast
- Salt
- Sugar
- Egg yolks
- Warm Water




1. Gently mix the dry ingredients in the bowl.
2. Gently put the wet ingredients with the dry ingredients.
3. Mix it all together with the wet and dry ingredients.
4. Put flour on the table.
5. Gently knead it so it doesn't fall on the table.
6. Leave it in the oven.
7. Make it in three pieces.
8. Put it in the oven and bake it.
9. Eat with the bread.
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Topaz

Word of the Week (last week): exchange (revision of a past word)

Word of the Week: absurd

Topaz class children have had a wonderful week. They have worked hard to write their own book reviews and I have selected some to go to the library where they will hopefully help other children to choose some great books to read! The children have completed all their end of year Maths assessments and we are now using this final month to build confidence and fluency in key areas of maths that we know they will need next year.

In science the children have loved learning about how different animals are suited to their habitats and will be designing their own animal and explaining how it is perfectly suited to its fictional habitat. In history, the children did some great source work looking at photos from Shackleton's 1914 expedition to Antarctica (see photos below). We will now start to look at Amelia Earhart and why she is a significant explorer. We have all had great fun practising for sports day in preparation for next week and look forward to seeing you all there!



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