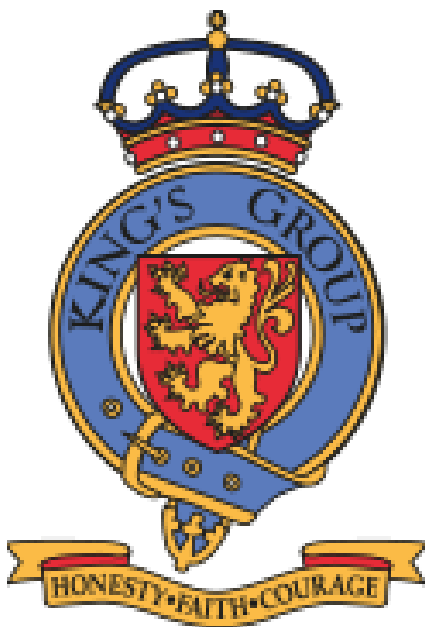


KINGS ACADEMY BINFIELD & OAKWOOD PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM MRS MOORE

Dear Parents and Carers

We have all had a really good week this week. Students in Reception, Year 7 and Year 12 have settled in really well and are starting to establish their new routines. All students have made a great start to the year. The enrichment programme has begun and, in the secondary phase, auditions for the school show 'The Addams Family' have taken place with large numbers of students taking part.

Sixth form students have begun their campaigns for student leadership positions which will create the new student led voice for all students in the school. They will be assisted by senior prefects from year 11 who are currently in the process of applying for these positions. The process for selecting school council reps has begun in Year 6 at Oakwood and will take place in all classes in the school over the next few weeks.

In the primary phase the 'Meet the Teacher talks have begun, with parents/carers from years 1,2 and 6 coming into school to meet the new class teachers and hear about the curriculum for the year. Next week we look forward to welcoming parents and carers from Years R, 3, 4 and 5 to find out more about their children's upcoming year.

This week we have also seen the benefit of being an all through school with some sixth form students using their enrichment time on Wednesday to participate in the 'Primary Connect' programme, visiting the early years classrooms where they will be supporting students on an ongoing basis. Children in reception enjoyed having the Year 12 visitors to their classes.

Finally, I would like to draw your attention to the KAB Secondary Phase open evening (dates for the diary) taking place on Wednesday 27th September.

Well done to all our students for an excellent start to the year.

Kind regards

Mrs Moore

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CLASSROOM NEWS

RUBY CLASS

Ruby Class have been settling in incredibly well and have been very busy exploring their exciting new environment. Some of our favourite activities have been painting, reading stories, baking in the mud kitchen and making ramps for the cars. We have been singing songs to learn each other's names and have started developing some wonderful friendships already. Well done Ruby class, we are so proud of you and we are so looking forward to our learning journey together this year!

JADE CLASS

Jade Class have had a very exciting and fun-filled first few weeks of school! We have been busy getting to know one another and playing lots of games to help us know more about our classroom environment.

Recently, we have begun our first phonics lessons and the children are already showing off their phonics knowledge fantastically. In addition to this, we have attended our first assemblies, done our first piece of book work and had lots more exciting lessons such as Maths, PE and even Spanish!

By far the highlight for all has been reading and re-reading our new favourite book "The Book with No Pictures". I have been so amazed and proud at how well everyone has settled in to their new classroom environment!

We all cannot wait to get to know even more about your little ones and support them for the rest of their time in Reception!

Word of the Week: Unique



OPAL CLASS

Opal class have had a fantastic start to the new school year! Miss Wetherell is so proud of how the children have all settled into Year 1 and is so pleased to see the amazing enthusiasm for learning. We have enjoyed lots of practical learning over the last couple of weeks. In Geography we have started learning all about Our Local Area and have had fun exploring how to use Google Earth and Google Maps to find our school. We also made a class pictogram of how everyone in the class travel to school. In Science we have begun our topic of Animals Including Humans and have enjoyed working as teams to label the parts of the human body! We have also loved exploring our 'Maths Boxes' during our maths lessons using practical equipment to help our learning. The adults in Opal class could not be prouder of how well the children have started the year and can't wait for the rest of the year!

MOONSTONE CLASS

Moonstone class have done a fantastic job of settling in over the past two weeks and we are so proud of each and everyone of them. Here are some photos of the learning that has been taking place in our class. They have been looking at lists, labels and captions in English, the human body in Science and had great fun on the Chromebooks in computing.



TOPAZ CLASS

It has been so wonderful getting to know the lovely children in Year 2 over the past two weeks. They have settled into the routines of Year 2 so well! The class have enjoyed an array of different activities and learning opportunities. We have been reading and learning the story of Traction Man by Mini Grey to then inspire our own adventure stories which we will

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TOPAZ CLASS (CONTINUED)

write next week! In Maths, the children have been amazing at showing their knowledge of number by partitioning numbers to 100 into 10's and 1's using concrete resources and part-whole models. The children have been so enthusiastic during History whilst learning about the Great Fire of London where we made our own spin wheels to help us sequence the events of the disaster.

QUARTZ CLASS

Quartz class have settled in very well to their new Year 3 journey and I am already so proud of them. The children are loving learning about the Stone Age in History and finding out even more facts through our non-fiction guided reading. We cannot wait to see what this year brings for Quartz class!



AMETHYST CLASS

Amethyst has made a fantastic start to Year 4; we have enjoyed getting to know them these last two weeks and have been so impressed with their enthusiasm for learning.

In Science, Amethyst have been taxonomists! We have been sorting living things according to their features and revising how to create Venn diagrams and Carroll tables.



WILLOW CLASS

We have had a wonderful start of the year in Willow class and I am very proud of how well all children are settling in. They have been very busy making new friends, learning new routines and exploring their school environment. Well done Willow class!



ASH CLASS

Ash class have had a wonderful couple of weeks settling into Year 1. I am so proud of their wonderful behaviour and enthusiasm for learning. We have had lots of fun learning about the human body and labelling it.



In maths we have been counting to ten and learning number names. Our stories in English have helped us to make lists and write captions.

BIRCH CLASS

Year 2 have made an amazing start to the year and have come back from holiday ready to learn! We have started lots of learning on place value and began planning and writing our own adventure stories about Traction Man! The children have been especially excited about learning about the Great Fire of London. Well done on a great start to Year 2!

CHESTNUT CLASS

Year 3 have really impressed us with how well they have settled into Key Stage 2. We have had a busy week in maths learning all about numbers to 1,000. The children used base tens to count in hundreds, represent numbers to 1,000 and partition numbers to 1,000. In science, Year 3 carried out an experiment using Starbursts to show how sedimentary, metamorphic and igneous rocks are formed. In History, the children learnt what humans needed to

CLASSROOM NEWS

CHESTNUT CLASS (CONTINUED)

survive in the Stone Age. The children enjoyed acting out the story of Rama and Sita in RE. Please see our class blog to see more of our learning - [Chestnut Class - Learning Journey \(google.com\)](#).

PINE CLASS

We have had a great start to the year in Pine Class. The children have come back to school with a great deal of energy and enthusiasm for their learning. In Maths, we have been working on number and place value and have been exploring representing and partitioning numbers to 10,000 in different ways.



SYCAMORE CLASS

In Sycamore class, we've had a fantastic first few weeks back. I'm impressed with how quickly we've started to settle back into a school routine.

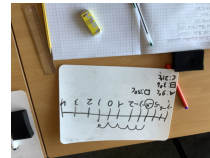
So far in geography, we've been concentrating on maps. We practised using an atlas by searching through the index to find the correct page and coordinates for a given country. We also used Ordnance Survey maps to look at the surrounding area and try to comprehend the symbols depicted and why they are significant if we are unfamiliar with a place.

We have begun our topic on materials in science. Our first lesson was all about categorising materials based on qualities like transparency and stiffness. We've also been practising gymnastics in PE, remembering the different shapes, how to construct balances, and then transitioning them into a routine.



OAK CLASS

The children have returned to school with enthusiasm and are settling in well to Year 6. We have dived straight in and are busily working our way through our learning this term. We are very excited to have new opportunities as house captains this year and have been working on creating formal speeches in our English lessons for this purpose. We have been revisiting our learning of place value and learning about negative numbers in maths. Our afternoons have been filled with activity as we begin learning about our new topics. We have become paleontologists in science, understanding the information that fossils can provide; explorers of the Americas, looking at the climate and tundras that exist in these continents and understanding what it means to be committed in RE.



PRIMARY SEND SUPPORT EVENTS

Please see **page 6** for details of activities running for children with or likely to have ADHD and/or autism and living in East Berkshire.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 18th September	KAB & KAO Reception Meet the Teacher
Wednesday 20th September	KAB & KAO Year 3 Meet the Teacher
Friday 22nd September	KAB Primary Immunisations
w/c Monday 2nd October	Year 6 Bikeability
Thursday 5th October	Year 5 & 6 Netball Tournament
Tuesday 10th October	KAB Primary Photos



GEMS

Autism & ADHD Support Service
East Berkshire

Bear cubs



Ages 5 to 10

First and third Friday of the month – 4pm to 5pm



6th October – Big on Bouncing – Slough *cost involved

20th October – Halloween Quiz – Online



3rd November – Rugby Fun – RBWM – Windsor

17th November – Create your own Mr Men or Little Miss Character/Story – Online

1st December – Make your own Christmas Decorations – Bracknell



15th December – Christmas Film Quiz – Online

**Please note activities may be subject to change*

Registration:

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0800 999 1342

Criteria:

Children with or likely to have ADHD
and/or autism and living in East Berkshire

