# KINGS ACADEMY BINFIELD & OAKWOOD NEWSLETTER

**Link to dates for the diary** 



#### **MESSAGE FROM MRS MOORE**

Dear Parents and Carers

We are really proud of all the hard work Year 11's have put into their PPEs. Continuing to work with this growth mindset, attending well, learning from mistakes and celebrating successes will mean they will all be remarkable in their final exams.

We are all looking forward to World Book Day next week and are excited to see what amazing costumes everyone (staff included) will come up with this year! Dressing up is fun, and helps us all highlight the enjoyment of books and reading for pleasure. There are lots of things happening to help students celebrate book choices and all the benefits that come from embedding a habit of reading.

Have a great weekend and "Keeeep reading!!"

Kind regards Mrs Moore



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### **NURSERY & RECEPTION UPDATES**

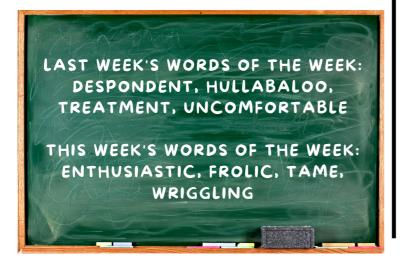
#### **RUBY CLASS**

Ruby Class has been busy learning all about transport. Over the last two weeks we have been engaging in lots of train and bus imaginative play. We have been developing our language and vocabulary as we talked about what we might see out of the window when we go on a journey. We also developed our physical and creative skills by drawing our ideas.

We had an incredible International Day and thoroughly embraced all of the activities to celebrate different countries and cultures. Our favourite was the wonderful Bollywood dancing, we were such amazing dancers!







#### **JADE CLASS**

Jade Class has settled back into the school routine wonderfully for a brand-new term. We have sprung straight into action with our new topic of Awesome Animals.

Last week, we had an amazing visit from Sunninghill Veterinary Centre where we learned how to bandage up poorly animals and how to provide treatment for poorly dogs! Since the visit, the children have loved our role play area which has transformed into a veterinary surgery. In addition to this, we held our auditions for the talent show! The afternoon was absolutely fantastic and filled with many entertaining performances. Well done to Brooke, Henry FM, Nick and Noah who have managed to get through to the finals. We cannot wait to see your performances up on the school stage!

This week, we have turned our attention towards Wild Animals. Within Drawing-Club, we have been focusing on the story 'Giraffe's Can't Dance'. Initially, the children were given a scenario of creating a new safari animal who had the head of a giraffe but needed a new body. One of the highlights has to be a giraffe head that is attached to Mr Silly's nonsense land house!

Towards the end of the week, the children will restart their Spanish lessons and will learn how to say some animals in Spanish. Well done on a great first few weeks back, Jade Class!







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#### **EMERALD CLASS**

Emerald Class were very happy to be reunited after half term and enjoyed sharing all their holiday news with each other.

This term, our topic is 'Awesome Animals' and we kicked things off last week by learning about pets and vets. We loved using the book 'Mog and the V.E.T' to inspire our learning and were so excited to have a visit from Practice Manager Grace and Vet Alex from Sunninghill Vets to help us learn more about how vets look after animals. Grace and Alex showed us how to use bandages and did some great role play with us where we helped treat a dog who had accidentally eaten some raisins! They also answered lots of the brilliant questions we had and kindly gave us some things to use in our vet role play area. A huge thank you to Grace and Alex!





On Thursday, we held our in-class Talent Show auditions. We had acts ranging from trampolining to dancing, singing and comedy and we were blown away by the amazing talent in our class!

We ended the week with our fantastic International Day where the children enjoyed a plethora of different activities, including Bollywood dancing and Djembe drumming, helping them to learn more about our wonderful world.

This week began with a brilliant assembly from Karen at the Dogs Trust who taught us about how to be safe around dogs. We then moved from tame animals to wild animals and are using the book 'Giraffes can't dance' in class.

The children have been creating lots of wonderful art based on wild animals from the book and we've enjoyed beginning to transform our classroom door using this theme for the door decoration World Book Day Competition!

On Thursday (our 'Bonus' day of the year) we had an amazing time watching the school talent show and were so proud of our Emerald Class acts Josie, Ethan C and Joseph.





#### **WILLOW CLASS**

Our school assembly last week, led by the Dog Trust, was a perfect way to kick off our new topic, Awesome Animals. We learnt how to behave safely around dogs and how to best look after them. Enthused by our new learning, Willow Class set up a veterinary surgery where they devoted many hours mending sore paws and broken bones, giving their favourite pets the best possible treatments.

We had such tremendous fun on International Day when we had the opportunity to learn about different parts of the world. We performed an amazing routine during a Bollywood dance workshop before embarking on a trip around the world. We learnt the art of folding paper, how to apply bright colours like Brazilian artist Britto and danced the Haka dance like fierce warriors.

## **NURSERY & RECEPTION UPDATES**

#### WILLOW CLASS CONTINUED

It was lovely to see so many parents and carers joining us for our Open Afternoon on Tuesday. Willow Class loved to show their adventure book that showcases their amazing handwriting and the phenomenal progress they have made in their phonics since September!







### YEAR 1-6 LEARNING JOURNEYS

|        | Binfield                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Oakwood                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| Year 1 | Blog updates include:  • English: 'Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?' and 'Oi Frog!'  • Maths: tens and ones, partitioning into tens and ones  • Science: Everyday Materials  • Other: International Day  • Other: Dogs Trust Visit  Deal Class Learning Journey  Blog updates include:  • RE: Lent  • DT: Fruit tasting  • Science - Everyday Materials  • PE: Relay races  • Other - International Day and Talent show  Moonstone Class Learning Journey | Blog updates include:  • Other: International day  • DT: Fruit tasting and Class Talent Show.  • Maths: Partitioning into tens and ones.  • Science: materials  Ash Learning Journey |

## YEAR 1-6 LEARNING JOURNEYS

|        | Binfield                                                                                                                                                    | Oakwood                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| Year 2 | Blog updates include:  RE History: Castles Science: Recycling Art: Sculpture Maths: Multiplication and Division Other: International Day Other: Talent Show | Blog updates include:  • Other- Trips  • Other -International Day  Birch Class Learning Journey                                                                                         |
| Year 3 | Blog updates include:  • Maths: Fractions  • Other Activities: International day  Quartz Class Learning Journey                                             | Blog updates include:  RE - Christianity  Other activities - Dogs Trust  Other activities - Class Assembly  Chestnut Class - Learning Journey                                           |
| Year 4 | Blog updates include:  • English - Persuasive writing  • Sound - DT, music and science  Amethyst Class Learning Journey                                     | Blog updates include:                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Year 5 |                                                                                                                                                             | Blog updates include:  • Other activities: Dogs Trust, Bollywood dancing  • Art: Making tones  • History: Timelines  • PE: Hockey  Sycamore Learning Journey                            |
| Year 6 |                                                                                                                                                             | Blog updates include: <ul> <li>Art: Sculptures by Choi Jeong Hwa</li> <li>Science: Classification</li> <li>Other activities: Bollywood dancing</li> </ul> <li>Oak Learning Journey</li> |

### KABKAO UPDATES

#### YEAR 2 WINDSOR CASTLE TRIP









On Monday 19th February, Birch Class went on a trip to Windsor Castle. We went on a huge, double decker bus and we got there very quickly. First, we went to see Queen Mary's Dolls House and saw all the teeny tiny plates. We also saw a teeny tiny dog and teeny tiny jam pots. It was adorable!

Next, we went to a workshop about how to train to be a Knight and we saw a real sword! My friends dressed up in some of the outfits that pages, squires and knights would have worn years ago. On our walk around the castle we had a sheet for I spy to tick off things we saw and we saw a big cannon. Lastly, we visited where the Queen is buried with her family. We had to be super quiet!

My favourite part of the day was looking at the Dolls' House and seeing all the miniature books that were written by real authors. We looked out for the King but the Union Jack was up so that meant he wasn't in. I loved going to Windsor Castle. It was great! **Bella - Birch Class** 



On Monday 19th February Topaz class travelled to Windsor Castle to learn about castles. First we went on a double decker bus. Next we went through security. The adults had to put their bags through the x-ray machine. After that we walked to Queen Mary's Doll's House and the State Apartments but we didn't go into the State Apartments next because we had to get a workshop.

At the workshop a man showed us chainmail armour and swords. Then we went to the State Apartments to look at old things. Did you know that there are lots of shields for the knights on the ceiling at Windsor and if it is blank it means the knight was naughty? After we went to see St George's Chapel. We saw Queen Elizabeth II buried here as well as Queen Mary and King Henry VIII.

After that we had lunch and then it was time to go. We all got back on the double decker bus and this time we sat on the bottom level. When we got back we waited for our grown ups and that was the end of our school trip.

My favourite part of the trip was seeing the chapel. I liked looking at who was buried in the chapel and reading who they were. I also liked the peace and quiet when we were in there. It was awesome visiting the castle and I recommend you visit! **Joshua - Topaz class** 

\*If you would like to see more photos, please look at the class blogs.

### KABKAO UPDATES

#### CHEERLEADING SUCCESSS



Well done to sisters Alexis (Year 10) and Merryn (Year 6) at the first cheerleading competition of the season recently. They competed on Platinum Allstars Jade and came third at the ICC Southern Championships!

#### AMAZON WISHLISTS FOR PRIMARY

Some of our primary parents have requested wishlists for the primary classes. These wishlists are additional extras that class teachers, LSAs and children think would be nice for the classroom. There is absolutely no expectation for parents to purchase anything, however if you would like to, the links are below.



#### King's Academy Binfield

Ruby (Year N)

Emerald (Year R)

Jade (Year R)

Opal (Year 1)

Moonstone (Year 1)

Topaz (Year 2)

Quartz (Year 3)

<u>Amethyst (Year 4)</u>

#### King's Academy Oakwood

Willow (Year R)

Ash (Year 1)

Birch (Year 2)

Chestnut (Year 3)

Pine (Year 4)

Sycamore (Year 5)

Oak (Year 6)

# COMIC RELIEF NON-UNIFORM DAY PRIMARY AND SECONDARY



We are fundraising for Thames Hospice as part of Comic Relief through a non-uniform day for students on Friday 15 March.

We are encouraging students to wear red as part of this and help us to raise much needed funds for this fantastic local charity.

Students must not wear sport team kits to school as part of this. Donations can be made on Schoolcomms.

#### **PTA EVENTS**



Lots of exciting events coming up - organised by our amazing PTA.

Links to all events are below:

Mothers and others flower and plant sale

Afternoon tea and family quiz

<u>Secondary gaming event</u>

Chocolate bar sale

Easter KAB and KAO primary disco

Summer fair

Please also follow the PTA FB page for updates: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/kingsacademypta/">https://www.facebook.com/kingsacademypta/</a>

### CAREERS INFORMATION

#### WCSA OXBRIDGE PARENTS INFORMATION EVENING

Wellington College will be holding an online Information Evening for parents/guardians of students in Years 10, 11 and 12. Students who were unable to attend the Oxbridge Student Information Session on 24th January can also register to attend. This online session will be delivered by two members of the Wellington Oxbridge Team:- Ruth Lexton, Head of Oxbridge at Wellington College, and Abigail Patterson, Assistant Head of Oxbridge (STEM) and an Oxford graduate.

The main part of this online event will be a presentation about Oxford/Cambridge followed by a short discussion about the free Oxbridge programme delivered by Wellington College for partner schools like KAB to support any Oxbridge candidates through the application process. There will be an opportunity to ask questions using the chat function both during the presentation and at the end.

Parents and students can register to attend the WCSA Oxbridge Parents Information Evening by completing the MS booking form using this link - <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/f59HaFbx6r">https://forms.office.com/e/f59HaFbx6r</a> The deadline for registering is 12 noon on Monday 11th March.

Once you have completed the booking form and after the deadline has passed, an email will be sent to you with a Microsoft Teams Link which you will need to join the online session. For safeguarding purposes, this online event will be recorded and if any students are attending, they must join the session using their school email address. Please be aware that a copy of the recording will not be available after the event.



# PERFORMING ARTS EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE



# King's Academy Binfield Performing Arts Extra Curricular Timetable





| Monday   | Tuesday                                                                                 | Wednesday                     | Thursday                     | Friday   |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| NO CLUBS | Dance Club 3.10-4pm SBo  Dance Company 4pm-5pm *Invite Only* SBo  KAB Band 3.10-4pm LRo | Drama Club<br>3.10-4pm<br>JWi | Glee Club<br>3.10-4pm<br>AMa | NO CLUBS |



#### DANCE CLUB STARTING-TUESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 3:05-4PM

**Dance Studio** 

Miss Bonewell

If you HAVE A passion for dance this is the place for you to be. No experience necessary.

#### KAB WIND BAND STARTING - TUESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 3:05-4PM

Music room 2.89

Mrs Roberts

We are very excited to be forming the first KAB band and would like to hear from any woodwind, brass and string instrumentalists to form the band. We also welcome pianists and guitarists (including bass guitar)

#### DRAMA CLUB STARTING- WEDNESDAY 13TH MARCH 3:05-4PM

**Drama Studio** 

Miss White

A drama group open to students who have a passion for drama and would like to participate in a drama production. Open to all that wish to audition! Must cap at 30 students for the actual production.

### GLEE CLUB STARTING - THURSDAY 7TH MARCH 3:05-4PM 2.89

#### Miss Matthews

For any student who is passionate about singing. You will experience singing as part of a group and as a soloist (if you would like to). You will be singing in a range of different styles to suit everyone.

| DATES FOR THE DIARY                    |                                                                        |  |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Sunday 3rd March - Wednesday 6th March | Year 12 geography trip to Snowdonia                                    |  |
| Thursday 7th March                     | World Book Day                                                         |  |
| Friday 8th March                       | KAB Year 1 parents to enrichment and KAO parents to enrichment         |  |
| Friday 8th March                       | PTA flower sale                                                        |  |
| Tuesday 12th March                     | Year 12 Geography - Queen Mary's University visit                      |  |
| Wednesday 13th March                   | KAO parents evening                                                    |  |
| Thursday 14th March                    | KAB primary parents evening                                            |  |
| Thursday 14th March                    | Year 7 parents evening                                                 |  |
| Friday 15th March                      | KAB Year 2 parents to enrichment and KAO 1 parents to enrichment       |  |
| Friday 15th March                      | Year 9 English play Romeo & Juliet                                     |  |
| Friday 15th March                      | Non uniform day for Comic Relief                                       |  |
| Monday 18th March                      | KAB primary parents evening                                            |  |
| Tuesday 19th March                     | Year 9 Experience of Workplace                                         |  |
| Wednesday 20th March                   | KAO primary parents evening                                            |  |
| Wednesday 20th March                   | Year 11 PP2 results assembly                                           |  |
| Wednesday 20th March                   | Year 12 BTEC level 3 performing arts performance                       |  |
| Thursday 21st March                    | Year 10 and Year 12 Cambridge computing trip                           |  |
| Thursday 21st March                    | Careers Fair for Years 9 and 10                                        |  |
| Friday 22nd March                      | Planetarium for Year R KAO and KAB                                     |  |
| Friday 22nd March                      | KAB Year 3 and 4 parents to enrichment and KAO 2 parents to enrichment |  |
| Monday 25th March -Thursday 28th March | Year 10 geography Reading trips                                        |  |
| Monday 25th March                      | Year 5 class assmebly                                                  |  |
| Monday 25th March                      | PTA Wonka Bar sale                                                     |  |
| Tuesday 26th March                     | Year 9 STEM Day at Wellington                                          |  |

| DATES FOR THE DIARY  |                                            |  |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------|--|
| Tuesday 26th March   | PTA primary disco KAB                      |  |
| Wednesday 27th March | Year 9 Hums Day at Wellington              |  |
| Wednesday 27th March | PTA primary disco KAO                      |  |
| Wednesday 27th March | Year 11 parents evening                    |  |
| Thursday 28th March  | Early finish for Easter holidays - 12.45pm |  |

# Attachments and promotional posters to follow



There is an after-school plant sale on Friday 8th March followed by a family Mothers day quiz on Saturday 9th March 2024!

The quiz will be held at the Village gym in Bracknell and tickets include full afternoon tea (for adults and children) a drink on arrival followed by a family quiz.

We are really excited to be hosting this event which invites family's from all three schools to come together!

Tickets can be secured via our PTA website. Do book early to avoid disappointment as this looks set to be a fun event for all! <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/kingsacademy/">https://www.pta-events.co.uk/kingsacademy/</a>



This event looks to be a sell out, so do book your tickets when you can as we have limited availability!!

Book tickets here: <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/kingsacademy/">https://www.pta-events.co.uk/kingsacademy/</a>



# **After School** Friday 22nd March

Keep an eye out for the King's chocolate bars, and you never know, you might be one of the lucky GOLDEN TICKET winners!

Organised by the King's academy Binfield & Oakwood PTA. Registered Charity no. 1109587 \*Prizes include: JD Sports Vouchers, Toy Shop Vouchers, Robux etc.

We are holding an after-school chocolate sale with golden tickets to be won on Friday 22nd March.

This sale is currently cash only with chocolate bars priced at £2 each. However, we are looking to add this event to our PTA events page so people can pre-book tickets TBC.



**EASTER Primary Disco!** 

KAB -Tuesday 26th March & KAO Wednesday 27th March - SAVE THE DATES!

Primary discos are set to go live soon - please save the dates and look for updates of when tickets are available to be purchased via our dedicated PTA events page.



We are looking for stall holders and would love the children to participate on the day to showcase their talents with performances from dancing, singing etc.

Equally, if children would like to create games made from cardboard of recycled materials from home that can be played on the day (along with parents) we would love this. (YouTube have lots of ideas if you search for "cardboard arcades games")

Please do get in touch with us if you would like to be involved in any capacity: PTA@kingsacademies.uk

# **SIEMENS**

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Register

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A career breakfast for students Tuesday 11th June | 8.45am - 9.15am

Register















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# **FEMALE PLAYERS WANTED**

# CURRENT Y7 DIVITEAM

