



NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM MRS. BERLEMONT....

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely bank holiday weekend. The year is flying by and next week our Year 6 pupils will be undertaking their SATs (Standard Attainment Tests) and so I would like to address this week's message directly to them.



Dear Year 6,

I know you may be thinking about your SATs and feeling one or two butterflies in your tummies so I wanted to tell you on behalf of all your teachers how proud of you we are. You have worked so hard and shown great diligence towards your studies and a positive attitude towards your learning - you deserve every success. Whilst it is important that you try your best, what you achieve in your SATs does not define you. If only there were a test to measure how thoughtful you are, how creative or how much you have grown in confidence! Our job is to prepare you for high school, and the SATs play a small part in that bigger picture. Remember - stay positive, keep focused and make yourself proud.

OUTDOOR LEARNING



We all enjoy Forest Learning, whatever our age, and whatever the weather. There's nothing wrong with a bit of mud! Year 4 have had great fun building catapults and aqueducts to start their 'Roman' learning.



PARENT CONSORTIUM

Kingston Council and AfC are establishing a Parent Consortium to help guide and support communication and consultation with parents and carers, and to help Kingston Council and AfC understand the needs of the wider SEND community. Please see attached a letter from Cllr White.

WORKING WITHIN THE COOMBE ACADEMY TRUST

We are delighted to announce that the Director of Premises for Coombe Academy Trust, Ian Bawn, was successful in the two bids he made on behalf of Green Lane to the Government's Condition Improvement Fund. Only schools which are Academies are able to bid for this funding. Mr Bawn, with the help of Mr Allen and Mrs Reed, has secured the following funding for Green Lane:

- £158,000 to install fire protection in the school's roof and additional fire doors.
- £61,000 to install replacement field fencing around the perimeter separating the school field from the horses' field.

The works will be completed over the summer. This is fantastic news, particularly when schools are facing substantial cuts to their budgets.

STAFFING UPDATE



Congratulations to Mrs Shrives on the safe arrival of her baby son - mother and child are both doing well! Mrs Shrives continues her maternity leave into the next academic year.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Lime class in Year 3 who achieved the best attendance so far in 2019 with 97.8%. Well done! The whole school attendance (Years Rec-6) for the same period is 95.9%.

Please help us to build on this excellent attendance by coming in to school every day, when you are fit and well.

Remember that if you have a problem with getting your child into school, let us know and we will help you - contact Mrs. Pinch (Attendance Assistant) in the school office.

SPORTS

On Thursday, 25th April we took the Year 5 Girls football team to Ham to compete in the finals of the Kingston and Richmond Borough football finals. The girls did really well by winning their group and going through to the quarter finals which they won after a nail-biting penalty shootout! They played some more amazing football by beating the team in the semi final which left them going through to the cup final.

They lost the final 3-0, but the girls were a credit to the school and to themselves for their amazing achievement. Well done to them all and to the parents who came to support them.



HOME LEARNING

Join us in celebrating some of the fantastic work pupils have achieved at home...



Poppy in Birch created portraits to show what Victorian outfits were like.

LITTLE PRINCESS TRUST

On the anniversary of my Uncle's birthday, I cut 6 ½ inches off my hair to donate to the Little Princess Trust. This charitable organisation uses hair donations to create wigs for children suffering from cancer. I did this in memory of my uncle, who passed away from cancer last year. Daisy, Y6.



Alexa in Chestnut Class created a model of Bentley Falls to help illustrate the water cycle which included a working water pump.

NEW SPORTS KITS!



Thank you to Mrs Carey who approached her employer, CGI who agreed to fund £500 for the purchase of KS1 football kits and KS2 sports tops which will be worn to future sports events.

Please do let us know if your employer has similar schemes that we could tap into, either

as a donation or pound for pound funding.



CALLING ALL SCIENTISTS

We continue to include a science experiment in each newsletter to enthuse all of our budding scientists.

Walking water

You will need: two glasses, strip of kitchen roll, water and food colouring

1. Half fill one glass with water and add a few drops of food colouring
2. Place the empty glass about 10 cms away from the first glass
3. Place one end of the kitchen roll in the glass filled with water and the other end into the empty glass.
4. Leave the glasses and observe what happens every 30 - 60 minutes.

Things to think about:

What happens to the water? How does the water walk?

What would happen if you made a longer chain of glasses?

WOODY'S WORLD

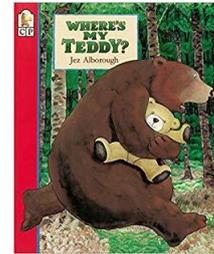
I've spotted some lovely new play equipment on the fields. Sadly it's too high for me to reach, so I'll leave it to the children, and continue to take my own exercise by walking around with my school friends.

Love from Woody.



P.S. (PUPIL SLOT)

This term we continue to ask pupils for their book reviews, and here is one from Summer in Reception.



Where's my Teddy? by Jez Alborough

"I like this book because it is funny when the bear loses his teddy. My

favourite part is when the bear bumps into the boy. All of the author's books are really good."

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES



May

- 10th Y3 Music Assembly
- 10th Friends Disco - 3.30 p.m.
- EYFS & KS1, 4.45 p.m. KS2
- 13th - 17th Nursery 'Learning Together'
- 13th Y1 visiting Hamptons in a.m.
- 17th Y4 School Journey to Juniper Hall
- 17th Y2 to London
- 17th Y5 Sycamore to Kings College in p.m.
- 17th Fir Class Assembly
- 17th Y1 Cake sale
- 22nd Y6 Sex Ed meeting for parents
- 23rd Y5&6 E-safety presentation for parents
- 23rd Choir rehearsal at Kings Oak in p.m.
- 23rd Y3 Sleepover
- 24th INSET DAY - No children in school**
- 27th - 31st Half term holiday!**