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KINGS AVENUE NEWSLETTER

SAYING GOODBYE TO YEAR 6!

We would like to take a minute to say farewell, good luck and see you soon to our year 6s.

They have been an absolutely amazing year group: smashing their SATs, their performances; had an amazing prom and always just being such a shining example to the rest of the school. Kings Avenue will not be the same without you all, and we wish you all the best in year 7 as you go out and conquer the world.



YEAR 6 GO TO CHESSINGTON

The children had a thrilling time at Chessington facing their fears and doing it with a smile on their face and screams in their lungs!



FESTIVAL OF OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Year 4 and 5 visited Wimbledon Common for a morning of various outdoor activities hosted by Thomas's Foundation. The children took part in obstacles and teambuilding exercises.



YEAR 3: BLACK CULTURAL ARCHIVES

Year 3 have been learning about The Windrush in History. They visited the Black Cultural Archives. The children took part in a workshop that explored the aspirations, experiences, and legacies of the Caribbean communities who were part of the post-war journey to Britain.

YEAR 4 VISIT A BUDDHIST TEMPLE

This term, our Year 4 students visited a Buddhist Temple as part of their R.E learning journey. They got to witness a monk creating the traditional Sand Mandala!



YEAR 6: THE LOUDER I WILL SING

Year 6 students took part in an educational programme called 'The Louder I Will Sing.' It focused on the life events of Cherry Groce, the Brixton uprisings and the story of Windrush. The son of Cherry Groce, Lee Lawrence, came to Kings Avenue school to deliver an assembly and the children took part in a series of lessons, ending in a trip to the Black Cultural Archives in Brixton.





GIRLS FOOTBALL

Well done to our girls football team this term! Training each week to compete with other schools in a tournament, they were relentless and showed nothing but dedication.

THE CORONATION OF KINGS CHARLES III

On the occasion of the coronation of the new King, our children drew and painted pictures of King Charles III. Perhaps there is a future royal portrait artist among them?



YEAR 1 AND 2: SPANISH

Our year 1 and 2 classes have been determined to get their ice-cream orders right for the summer and now they can do it in SPANISH! Well done for all their hard work in completing this module in Spanish class.



WELLBEING DAY

All children from Years 1-6 took part in their chosen activity. The aim was for the children to gain a sense of well-being when encouraged to take responsibility and to join in by helping with a manageable chosen task that interested them.

“I’ve not done gardening before but now I will be helping my mummy at home because I enjoyed it.” - Maya, Year 1

“I liked playing the different games and with the different year groups.” - Tyler, Year 4

Mask making and Musical Statues



YEAR 3 - 6: CYCLE CONFIDENT

This term, Bikeability came in to train our Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children on how to cycle with confidence. Some children developed cycle handling skills in traffic-free environments whilst others were taken on the road with professionals to learn how to cycle safely and responsibly. The children received a certificate of completion and a badge for their efforts.



YEAR 5 AND 6: ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

After weeks of rehearsals during music class, our hardworking Year 5 and 6 students participated in the Lambeth Musitrax Festival at the Royal Festival Hall.



YEAR 4: HOCKEY

Spencer Lynx visited Kings Avenue school to deliver a hockey taster session for our year 4 students. Some of them were successful in being scouted to participate in the club outside of school!

YEAR 5: WICK COURT FARM

Year 5 spent 5 days living and working on Wick Court farm in Gloucestershire. The students worked with the animals and the land, developing their understanding of where our food comes from and the importance of physical activity and a healthy lifestyle.



YEAR 6: KINGSWOOD

Our Year 6 students visited Kingswood Centre for their residential trip. They all took part in a variety of new adventurous activities aiming to increase their confidence and resilience whilst giving 100% of their collaborative efforts.



SPORTS DAY We had a fanstastic sports day this year!



SCORES		
1ST	Shireen (Blue)	127
2ND	Zephaniah (Yellow)	119
3RD	Blackman (Green)	91
4TH	Morpugo (Red)	85



FAMILY TREASURES

Family Treasures: Students were invited to photograph an object or an artefact, that was precious to their family and to say a few words about why they had chosen it.

This is a photo of my grandma, she passed away in 2021 and I really miss her, that's why this is a family treasure. Her father was Ghanaian and her mother was Scottish. I have been to Ghana but not to Scotland yet! - George, Year 4



When every daughter in my Nigerian family gets married, this jewellery is passed on to her. It has been passed down for 11 generations and when I get married, I will have it and when my daughter gets married I will pass it on to her. - Dara, Year 6



This is my pot and it is from Bangladesh. My nanny got it and gave it to my mum and she said that she'll keep it in the cupboard until I'm bigger because I'm only six years old. - Maya, Year 1



"This is a picture of when my grandma was younger. She was she was 24 years old. I love my grandma because she was nice to me and helpful and she lived in Europe." - Milan Year 1



SPELLING BEE FINALISTS

Congratulations to our spelling bee finalists! These children made it through 3-rounds of our first ever school-wide spelling bee with determination and support from their peers.

66% of students that work with IntoUniversity progress to university compared with 27% of students from similar backgrounds nationally

[IntoUniversity Impact Report 2022](#)

A SNAPSHOT OF OUR YEAR TOGETHER

In 2022-23 IntoUniversity worked with a total of 111 students from Kings Avenue School across a number of different programmes. This academic year, 61 students took part in the Primary FOCUS programme. 28 students in Year 5 and 33 in Year 6.

Kings Avenue School and IntoUniversity

- 27 - The average number of students that were attending each workshop this year.
- 4 - The number of students who attend our free after school Academic Support Club
- 1 - The number of students who attended our Holiday Focus Programmes this year.



Evaluation and Feedback

Feedback from students

"The two things I have improved on after attending this programme were my teamwork skills and my confidence especially through communicating to others."

- Year 6 Kings Avenue student, FOCUS Week

"The best part of the week was going on a University trip because it was my first time and I really enjoyed it."

- Year 6 Kings Avenue student, FOCUS Week

"The two things I have improved in this programme are my teamwork skills which helped me feel more confident - Year 6 Kings Avenue student, FOCUS week"



94% of students enjoyed the Primary FOCUS programme

69% of students said they were more likely to go to university

86% of students reported an increase knowledge about university

63% of students said they had improved their confidence with us

71% of students reported they had improved their communication by the end of the workshop

"I enjoyed making electric fan cars and I learned a lot about friction while making them!"

- Year 6 student, Engineering FOCUS Week

"I grew my knowledge on different types of engineers and university."

- Year 6 student, Engineering FOCUS week

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EYFS: TFL MUSUEM

Early Years went on an educational visit to the Transport Museum. Linked with our past and Present area in the EYFS curriculum, the children looked at the different transports people used in the past as well as present. The children had a play session in the “All aboard” area where they acted roles such as shop keepers, bus drivers, ticket collectors and train drivers. It was nice to see the children’s enthusiasm as they explore the different areas from looking at transport in the 1900s to present. David expressed that “It was fun and the best day ever.”



YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2: NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

This term, years 1 and 2 went to visit the Natural History Museum. We had the most amazing time! We learned about dinosaur skeletons and how they made up their bodies. We even got to reconstruct a dinosaur.. a Stegosaurus called Susie.

While we were there we also found the wall dedicated to Mary Anning. She was a paleontologist who discovered the fossilised remains of the Ichthyosaur and the Plesiosaur among others. To see all of her finds was incredible.. She found so many. When she was alive, women were not allowed to be scientists but she was and that’s fabulous. We learned alot about Mary Anning this term and to see her finds in real life was amazing!!! We had the best time!

KASA

This term our PTA, KASA, successfully held various events which raised money for the school. We would like to say a big thank you to all those who were able to support the events and to our KASA members for their hard work in organising them.

INTERNATIONAL EVENING



SUMMER FAIR 2023



YEAR 4: TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS!

Well done to our year 4 class on their Multiplication Check results. A high proportion of our pupils scored 80-100%. The students that contributed the most time to practicing on Times Tables Rockstars, won a trip to Gravity, Wandsworth for some AR Bowling. They could hardly contain their excitement!



HOUSE WINNER!

SCORES		
1ST	Shireen (Blue)	1781
2ND	Blackman (Green)	1660
3RD	Morpugo (Red)	1601
4TH	Zephaniah (Yellow)	1574



TERM DATES

For more information on our term dates for 2023/24 please check the school website.

We look forward to seeing you on the first day back at school on **WEDNESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER AT 8:45AM**