

### **COOMBE HILL INFANTS' SCHOOL**

#### Learn together, grow together

Friday 12 July 2024

Dear Families,

Thank you for working with us to support your child in making good behaviour choices. It is so important that we work together. As we reach the end of term your children are very tired and can sometimes become emotional. Please check that they are getting plenty of sleep and the opportunity to relax. Please talk to us if you need any support.

This week we have been using our Learning Behaviours to think about being Resourceful and supported by Owl. Next week the focus moves to Reasoning.



#### We listen to others and make the right choices

Eeyore teaches us to be honest, to ask lots of questions, to think things through, and to listen to other people's ideas.

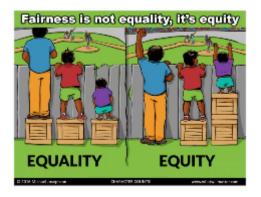
#### How parents can help

Encourage children to .....

- · tell the truth at all times
- · find solutions for problems when playing
- be flexible in their thoughts and open to the views of others

We aim to take a person centred approach and will therefore adapt our relationship and behaviour policy depending on the child, their age (brain development research), SEND, their lived experiences and any trauma they may have endured. If there is a child who finds the school environment difficult for whatever reason and is unable at times to follow the school rules, having discussions with your child at home about how we are all different will really help them to manage their feelings about this. We use the Equality vs Equity poster with staff to show how some children need more than other children at times, depending on what they are going through and how they are feeling in that moment. This can be difficult for all children to understand. Please do let us know if your child is finding this hard and we will take some time to discuss it with them in more detail.

■ Relationship and Behaviour policy .docx



#### **Summer Concert**

It was lovely to see so many families enjoying the summer concert this week, and we were so lucky with the weather! Your children sang, danced, and performed so beautifully and we were very proud of them all. The drumming is always a highlight and I am sure you will join us in thanking Sean Quinn for teaching so many children over the years.





















#### Meet the new teacher afternoon - Tuesday 16 July

On Tuesday 16th July, you will have the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher. Please collect your child as normal and then wait outside their new classroom until all children have been dismissed. This is an informal meeting that allows you to say hello to the new staff and to see the new classroom. If you are also meeting staff in the Junior school please make your way there after the Infants. Accent, our fantastic catering company, will be providing small portions of the food we provide for you to enjoy.

#### Year 2 Evening Celebration - Wednesday 17 July

On Wednesday 17th July we have our Year 2 leavers event. Please go to your Parentpay account by 12 noon on Monday to pay for this event as we need to know who is attending, thank you. We will be swimming, playing football, tennis, skipping, face painting, and enjoying pizzas. Please arrive at 6pm, pick up is promptly at 8pm. Please ensure that we can contact you during this time. We apologise for any confusion over the date for this event. I am sure you will join me in thanking the staff for volunteering their time to provide your children with a lovely event to celebrate their time at the infant's school.

#### Year 2 Leavers Assembly - Wednesday 24 July

On Wednesday 24th July we will say an official goodbye to our lovely Year 2 children. Year 2 parents, please make your way to the adventure playground after drop-off. The assembly will begin at 9.00am.

We are so fortunate to have a wonderful team of governors here at Coombe Hill Infants. They support the school at a strategic level. We are always looking for new governors to join the team. Most governors join the team as Associate governors initially, this is a good way to see how things work and get to know more about the role. In September we will also be recruiting a parent governor. If this is something you may be interested in, please come and have a chat.



#### "Celebrating Diversity" coffee morning - Thursday 18 July

The Celebrating Diversity team will be hosting a coffee morning on Thursday after drop off at 9 - 10am. Please come along for some updates, informal chats, coffee/tea and snacks! The meeting will be held in the Infants' school staff room. Please come to the Infants' school reception to sign in. If you would like to attend, or you know someone who would be interested please spread the word. Everyone is welcome from both the Infants and Junior schools. We look forward to seeing you all there.

The Celebrating Diversity Team (CHIPTA)

#### Swimming - next week

Once again, thank you to the many parents who have helped with swimming this week and who have signed up for next week. The following slot next week still needs to be filled:

- Year 1 - Wednesday 17 July - 1 helper in the boys changing room

Next week is the final week of swimming for all year groups

#### **SEND** cake sale next Friday

Next Friday we hope to hold a cake sale with proceeds going towards SEND resources for children across the school. If you can help to sell cakes we would greatly appreciate your support, and we welcome donations from everyone, please bring them to the school office next week. Thank you for your support.

#### **Parent Survey**

Your feedback is so important to us and impacts on further improving our wonderful school. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey in the link. We will look at every response and form an action plan from your feedback. Every response is important. The survey will close on Friday 19th July. We will share our actions with you in September.

Thank you. <a href="https://forms.gle/rGwZmLcr5XbigNbn9">https://forms.gle/rGwZmLcr5XbigNbn9</a>

#### **Pupil Premium Grant**

When your child was admitted to the school we checked their eligibility for the Pupil Premium Grant. Please get in touch with us if your financial circumstances have changed since your child's eligibility was checked and you think you may now be eligible. Please complete the attached link and your status will be re-assessed <a href="https://forms.gle/yrUZKUVsunMns7yc9">https://forms.gle/yrUZKUVsunMns7yc9</a>.

#### **Summer Safety information**

Kingston and Richmond Safeguarding Children Partnership have asked us to share the following safety information with our families ahead of the summer holidays.

- Water safety
  - We have been asked to remind our families about the dangers of swimming in rivers and other open water. You will no doubt remember the local tragedy of two summers ago when 14 year old Brian Sasu drowned in the river Thames at Hampton. Although the weather is currently fairly cold, on hot days the river is very tempting, especially to young people. Richmond council water safety advice video is <a href="here">here</a> is some useful <a href="Float to live advice">Float to live advice</a> from the London Fire Brigade.
- Window safety
  - There have recently been a number of incidents of children tragically dying after falling out of windows or from height across London. The London Ambulance Service have provided the data below:
    - January 2019 January 2022, London Ambulance Service recorded: 85 incidents of children falling from heights. Six of these children died at the scene. 16.5% of these children were identified as having a learning disability

With windows more likely to be open during the summer months it is important to be aware of the following:

- Make sure that children cannot reach windows, and that they are kept locked (but easy to open in an emergency)
- If opening a window, make sure children are supervised
- Don't keep furniture near windows that could be climbed upon
- For more information, click <u>here</u>

#### **Kingston Libraries Summer Arts competition**

Kingston Libraries 'Summer Arts Competition', aims to encourage children to get creative and produce a piece of art inspired by 'a book that you love'. Aimed at children aged between 3-11 years and running during the summer holidays, our competition mirrors this year's Summer Reading Challenge theme in celebrating the creative arts. The submitted artwork can be created in a range of mediums and encompassing different art forms. **The competition is open between the 20th July - 17th August** and there will be an exciting opportunity for the finalists and runners up in each age category to take part in an art exhibition held at Kingston Library, to showcase their winning art pieces. Please use the form accessed by the QR code on the poster attached to enter your child into the competition by uploading up to three photos of their work. Each Child can enter once. This competition is only open to Kingston Library users, UNREG accounts will not be accepted as entries so please come into your local library and get a physical card if you don't have one already. A range of physical art forms are acceptable - painting, textiles, photography, sculpture, collage. If you can take a photo of it you can enter it! The photos will be used for shortlisting before the exhibition and prize giving. So please hold on to your lovely pieces of art so you can have the chance to exhibit them!

#### Community and other information

• Connected Kingston summer 2024 family activities

Please find to follow Kingston's Summer Family Activities leaflet. There is a range of free and low cost ideas, particularly to encourage physical activity, local events, activities and green spaces for families with children to explore across the borough. From park tennis, indoor bowling, basketball to nature walks, cycling and libraries, as well as the 20 July Olympic Sports Day, there's something for everyone.

Summer 2024 Family Activities.pdf

#### Kingston Music Service - Music & Creativity Summer Course

This four day course for 6-11 year olds will involve music making in lots of different ways including percussion, singing, musical games, learning the keyboard and composing their own pieces. Students will also work in the library on exciting lego and craft projects as well as an hour's fun physical activity each day. The course which runs from 10:30 until 15:30 from 29th July to 1st August includes a mid morning snack and lunch each day. The 4 day course costs £128 with free places available to children on benefit related free school meals through the FUEL scheme. For more details visit: Musical Opportunities in Kingston

#### Friends of Richmond park summer event

Discoverers-Friends of Richmond Park has teamed up with the Hearsum Collection at Pembroke Lodge to offer families a programme of events for the summer, at the Belvedere, in Richmond Park. Attached below is a poster for weekly Story Time, a Worms workshop willl be held on Wednesday 28th August.

#### • Kingston Community picnic

Due to unfavourable weather conditions, we were unable to hold our event, Kingston Community Picnic, last week. We have rescheduled the event to the new date and location as follows: Sunday July 21st from 1.30 - 3.30pm at the Shiraz Mirza Community Hall, New Malden KT3 6AU

#### • Clarks Measure and Fit Appointment service

For any families interested, you may wish to book a shoe-fitting appointment over the Summer holiday. Call Clarks Kingston on 0208 546 0388 or visit <a href="https://www.clarks.com/measureandfit-in-store">www.clarks.com/measureandfit-in-store</a>

#### • Kingston Museum's Saxon Fayre

Kingston Museum are holding a Saxon Fayre on Saturday 27 July on Kingston Market Place. There will be a range of Saxon themed activities taking place including historical demonstrations and musical performances. The fayre will be free and starts at 11am.

Old Emanuel Rugby Club - Mini youth rugby - under 5 - 18
 Please find to follow a flyer with information about mini youth rugby at Old Emanuels, everyone is welcome to go along.

#### • Grow Programme

The Grow Programme are running a project in Kingston to support Mums who want to get back to work in September by helping them get ready over the summer in July. For more information and to sign up please go to <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/grow-successful-summer-programme-join-in-july-tickets-93">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/grow-successful-summer-programme-join-in-july-tickets-93</a> 4402612367

Love the Ball is running their Summer camp at Coombe Hill over the summer, for more
information and to book please visit <a href="https://lovetheball.com/">https://lovetheball.com/</a> and see the flyer at the end of
the newsletter.

#### Monday morning after the England football match

Please remember to email us over the weekend or call before 9.15am on Monday if you are planning to bring your child in a little late on Monday after the football on Sunday evening (up to 10.00am they will not be marked late).

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Headteacher	

Warm regards

Safeguarding our young children is our priority and all staff are trained to keep children safe.

However, safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and if you are concerned about a child or young person please call Children's Services on 020 8547 5008. The South London CAMHS Crisis Line for both children and adults can be reached on 0800 028 8000.



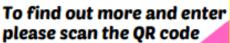


Do you have a creative side that you want to share with the world?

#### Whether its

- painting,
- · photography,
- sculpting etc.

Enter the Kingston Libraries Kids Summer Arts Competition and have the opportunity to win Theatre tickets and have your work exhibited!















### 27/07/2024

11:00AM - 5:00PM ANCIENT MARKET PLACE KINGSTON UPON THAMES FREE ADMISSION

Kingston Museum's Saxon Fayre is looking at the extraordinary skills, trades and craftsmanship that developed in the Saxon period and how these methods and practices are still in use today.

Highlights of the day include Surbiton Community Forge who have built a Saxon inspired working forge, Kingston Beekeepers Association who are coming along with their their live beehive and Little Sherwood Farm Experience's animals. There will be music, performances and even historical demonstrations too!

You can dress up in our living history section, buy handmade crafts at the stalls, learn about history from experts, and have a go at different activities throughout the day so come along and enjoy this exciting event for all the family!





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## Story Time in Richmond Park with Discoverers!

Join us every week from Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July until Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2024

> Belvedere, Pembroke Lodge Gardens 10am-12noon

This is a free event run by Discoverers-Friends of Richmond Park. Drop-in, stories on the half hour and Arts and Craft activities. Free parking. Hosted by the Hearsum Collection.

## GoggleSquad

# Summer holiday swimming lessons at Latchmere School

5-8 August 2024 (4 lessons) 19-22 August 2024 (4 lessons)

Whether it's learning to swim or a focus on skills such as diving and turns, the intensive courses are designed to progress learners in a short time.

Lessons available on a one-to-one or twoto-one basis (for friends and siblings).

For info or to book call Pip on **01372 613032** or email hellogogglesquad@gmail.com





September?

#### THE GROW TEAM CAN HELP!

Join the Grow Programme and you will get:

- a new CV
- · a personal adviser
- · help to apply for jobs
- interview practice
- · weekly jobs bulletin
- a £50 start work bonus
- a reference

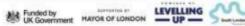
#### Choose how to participate.

We have local groups and online events or you can work with your adviser one to one. PLUS you have access to the award winning Grow App. The Successful Summer Programme can help you get ready for work. Attend the launch event to start the programme.

JOIN IN JULY MONDAY 15 JULY 10.15 AM-12.30 PM **Everyday Conferencing** 46 Union Street, Kingston KTI 1RP

Join us to kick start your Successful Summer. We only have 40 places on the programme and priority will be given to people who attend this













Just let us know kingston@dialoguesociety.org