



What Puts a Smile on your Face?

This morning, Mrs Holland gave an assembly about 'Joy'. With the help of Freddie and Will, she shared the adventure they took as a family over the first half of term in September. They travelled to many places, and had a wealth of new experiences: they tried new foods, learnt a Maori tribal dance, and even went bungee-jumping!

However, the most interesting part of their trip was something very different indeed. They spent some time in Cambodia, working with the Tabitha Foundation UK. This charity helps families to save their money, little by little, so they can develop a sense of self worth and feel that they are in charge of their own futures again. Before they went on this trip, the Holland's raised money to buy houses, and a well, for the neediest families in the community. While they were there, and along with four other volunteers, they built eight houses. Some of you sponsored them on their walk to Whitstable before they embarked on their adventure. So thank you! You can find out more information about the Tabitha Foundation UK on their [website here](#).

Mrs Holland left us with this thought: the little girl in the top-left picture handed them nails, one after another, until her house was built. Her joy at her new home brought Mrs Holland and her family joy. Seeing the resilience of these people, as they lifted themselves up out of poverty and learnt to value themselves, brought them joy. And so did the smiles!

Smiling is infectious! It transcends cultures and languages, costs nothing, and has so much value. Let's try to remember that in the weeks ahead.

Clockwise from top left: A little girl the Holland's build a home for; The Holland family at the Tabitha Foundation. With one of the families they build a house for; Two of the houses that were built.



From the Head

Another productive week has flashed by! Our theme of respect was launched in assembly on Monday. Admiring others and their achievements, and showing due regard for the feelings of others is central to our ethos at Junior King's. Assembly, whether in St Nicholas' Church or in the Barn, is a wonderful time when the school comes together as a community. It marks a time for reflection and quietness, a chance to listen to stories and to others, and to share the diverse progress and range of achievements across the school.

I enjoyed joining Year 8 in their French and Spanish lessons this week and met with Year 2 yesterday. They took such pride in showing me everything they were doing in class and chatting about their learning, and I loved looking at their work and pictures.

There is much to be thankful for and much to look forward to over the coming weeks. We are bringing a little bit of Scotland to Junior King's on Thursday and the children have been invited to come to school wearing a splash of tartan with their uniform. In addition, the Friends' Burns' Supper takes place on Friday evening. It is not too late for parents to come and join in the fun - there will be a number of teaching staff there too this year, and we warmly welcome you to join us. Please [email](#) the Friends if you wish to have a ticket.

I am grateful to our Class Reps who have gathered a large number of points together in time for our first Parents' Forum meeting on Saturday. There will not be time to address everything raised in the hour unfortunately and we will select some common themes, but my SMT will consider most of the points submitted over the coming weeks. We are grateful for many positive ideas and feedback we have received. We all want to work together to make our school the very best.



MATHS CHALLENGE

Each week there will be 3 questions for you to answer. In-order to win a prize you need to answer questions correctly depending on your section and email your answers to Mr Hounsell:

- Junior House - 1 question
- Middle School - 2 questions
- Upper School - 3 questions

This week I thought we would have some fun. Let these brain teasers get your minds moving. Who knew numbers could be so much fun!

- Q1. If there are four apples and you take away three, how many do you have?
- Q2. Where do fish keep their money? (sorry maths joke)
- Q3. What weighs more - a kilogram of iron or a kilogram of feathers?

Challenge Question: Using only addition, how can you add eight 8's to get the number 1,000? Good luck!

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Congratulations to last week's winners. There was a fantastic response from pupils and parents alike! Well done to Max, 3AW, Purnesh, 6MR, Tom, 3C Molly, 5F and Casper, 3C. Last weeks winner for all 3 correct and being the fastest to respond was Ben, 6M. The answers to last week's puzzles are at the bottom of the page, with explanations. /JH



Writer Visit Rearranged

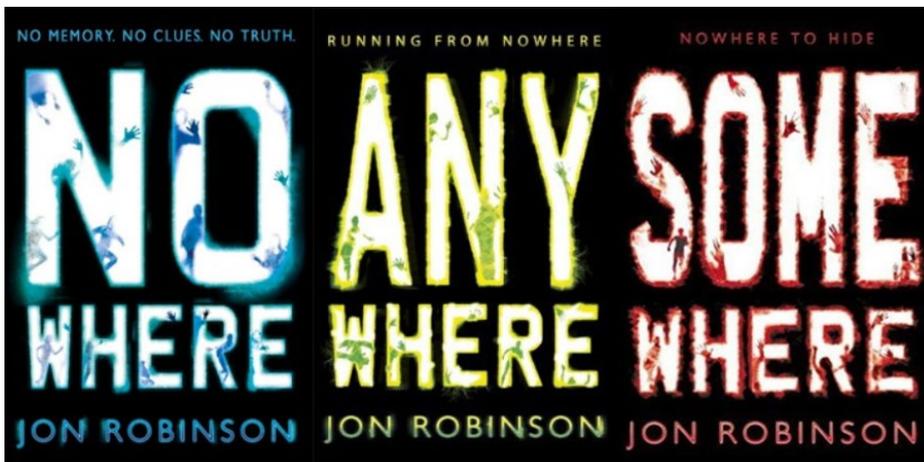
"One hundred teenagers are imprisoned in a concrete cube. They are all criminals. But what have they done? Not one of them can remember... Alyn, Jes, Ryan and Elsa are locked in Nowhere. Attempts to escape fail. All they can do is try to work out what is happening to them and why anyone wants to hold them there. It's a gripping, edgy thriller pulsating with questions which it seems just impossible to answer. A must-read for all those fans of The Bourne Identity!"

Lovereading4kids website.

Years Seven and Eight have a writer visit to look forward to next Monday, when we will be joined by teen fiction author Jon Robinson (above) who was unable to be with us at the end of last term.

All pupils will hear Jon speak about his writing career and his novel sequence Nowhere / Anywhere / Somewhere. There will be opportunities to buy books and have them signed and for a small group of particularly interested would-be writers to take part in an hour-long workshop after lunch.

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1. The ball would actually cost 0.05 pence. If the bat costs £1 more than the ball, you need to think outside the box. While it might be easy to assume that the ball is 10p, that would make the bat £1.10 as it costs £1 MORE than the ball. In order to keep the total at £1.10, the ball HAS to be 5p - and the bat worth £1.05.
2. It would take 5 minutes to make 100 widgets.
- Five machines can make five widgets in five minutes.
- This means that one machine will make a widget in five minutes, too.
- Therefore, 100 machines all making widgets can make 100 widgets in 5 minutes.
3. It would take 47 days for the patch to cover half of the lake,
- The patch us doubling in size each day it is going forward, so it would halve going backwards.
- This means that on day 47, the day before it covered the whole lake, it would be halfway there.

Notices

- **Prep School Exeat Weekend - Friday 26th January**

Day Parents, if you **haven't** already let Mrs Jerman know about the collection time for your child, please can you do so (see the options below).

Option 1: 12.30pm (no lunch, if you wish to get away for the weekend a little earlier)

Option 2: 1.30pm (after lunch)

Option 3: Late care for working parents (pick up by 3.30pm)

Pre-Prep pupils should be picked up from the Pre-Prep Hall.
Junior House pupils should be picked up from their usual doors in Junior House & Years 5 - 8 from the Recital Room.

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★ **Junior House** ★

★ **Stars of the Week!** ★

★ 3AW: **Alexander** ★

★ 3C: **Casper** ★

★ 3W: **Oscar** ★

★ 4H: **Amy** ★

★ 4M: **George** ★

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Above: In Middle School Milner Challenge activity this week, the pupils were learning about making fires.
Below: Mrs Sylvester, new Head of Art at Junior King's School

Splash of Tartan Thursday 25th January

To celebrate the poet, Robert Burns, pupils have the option to wear something tartan on this day, alongside their uniform, if they wish to. This could be a ribbon, tie, scarf or even a kilt if they have one!

Meet the Staff

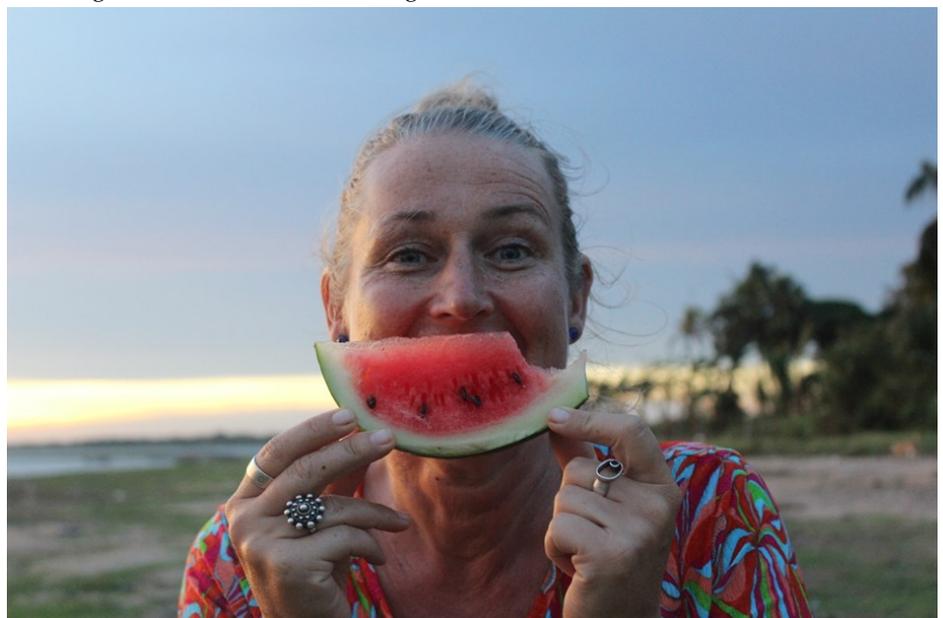
My name is Jeanette Sylvester and I am the new Head of Art at Junior Kings.

I have been teaching Art now for over 25 years! I absolutely love the job as it enables me to continue learning about art and to visit exciting exhibitions, travel and bring all of these rich experiences into my teaching.

I was in my last job at King Alfred School in Golders Green for 20 years and was fortunate enough to see both my boys through their education there. No surprise that they both chose to continue on a creative path, one is an artist working in Margate and the other a Florist.

With my appointment also came with a move to the sea, something I have been wanting to do for a while now and we have just moved to Ramsgate.

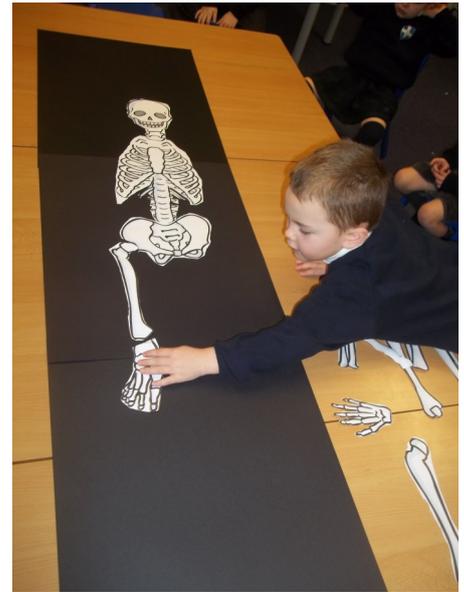
So far I have been made very welcome at Junior Kings and I look forward to continuing the high standard of creative work and ideas that I have seen so far.





THE MINI WEEK

FROM THE PRE-PREP



We've been enjoying some of our lovely toys this week in the Nursery. 'Toys' is our topic focus for this half term and although they're great fun to play with, they're a very useful tool for our learning. We learn everything from teamwork and using our imaginations to developing our physical and mental strength.

Aoibheann and Alice are concentrating very hard as they carefully assemble their Popoid People.



Meanwhile, some of the Nursery team are exploring winter with imaginary snow: vehicles get stuck and drivers need to be rescued!

Our topic in Reception classes is New Year, New You. The Willows have been learning about keeping healthy and well. We have set up a new hospital role-play area, where we can look after patients who are unwell. We will soon start learning about the foods we can eat and the exercise we can take to keep our bones strong and our tummies full with goodies that are healthy!

Meanwhile, Hazels have started by learning about the human skeleton and asked the question: "Why do we have bones?" We looked at our classroom skeleton model and made a paper record by cutting out bones and assembling them on a sheet of black paper correctly. We talked about which bones are connected and the difference between hinge and ball and socket joints. We have also been practicing a skeleton dance to entertain the ladies at Highland House Care Home!

Our Year 2 Catering Committee and School Council representatives have been appointed for Lent Term. Maria, Pip, Kyle and Pippa will be our new Catering Committee and Ciall, Kasi, Madeline and Morgan will sit on the School Council. All will be gathering thoughts and ideas from Pre-Prep children to take to their whole-school meetings and will report back. It's a big responsibility, but we know our team will rise to the occasion!



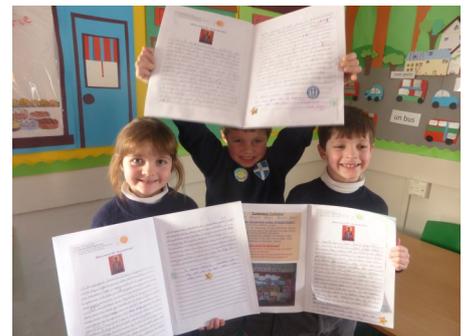


We took the Year 1 maths investigation into the hall this week and teamed together to learn about different ways of measuring. We discussed what sorts of measuring we could do: how long something is, how tall we might be, how heavy things can be, etc. We broke into groups to explore a carousel of three activities.

We measured the capacity different containers have and were surprised to find that a tall, thin container may not contain as much water as a shorter bucket. We used balancing scales to discover that some items weigh more than others. We measured the length of different sized footprints, putting them in order of shortest to longest. We then gathered back together to report our findings.



We will be making our Year 2 pilgrimage to Canterbury Cathedral next week, so we have started our learning about the history of Christianity in Britain. It all started when Saint Augustine was sent to England by Pope Gregory to convert as many people as possible to Christianity. He came to Canterbury before the Cathedral was built. It was a successful mission and Saint Augustine baptised 10,000 people, including the King of England. He was the first Archbishop of Canterbury. We all recounted this story in our topic book, before creating our own Canterbury Cathedral displays. Please come and have a look when next you are in Pre-Prep.



Pre-Prep Notice Board

- *Friday 26th January – You will have received a letter from Mrs McConkey last week. Please note that Pre-Prep will acknowledge the whole-school Exeat on Friday 26th January. Pre-Prep will finish early at 1.30pm, that day, but if you are unable to pick up due to work commitments, we will provide a Late Club until 3.30pm, when Pre-Prep will close. If you would like to get away early for the weekend, you will be welcome to pick your child up at 12.00pm before lunch. Please let your child's teacher know via e-mail or contact book by Monday 22nd January so arrangements can be made.*
- *Award cups - We have some very special silver trophy cups that we like to award on occasion to children who have exceeded normal expectations in the areas of Dance, Music, Sport, Art and general Endeavour. To make these more accessible we will be awarding them at our Friday assembly when the children will take them home for the weekend. We will however require them to be returned the following Monday so please take as many photos as you need over the weekend!*
- *Monday 29 January and Thursday 1 February – Parents' Evenings will take place on both days from 4.00pm. Please reserve a time on our appointments sheets, which will be posted on the Pre-Prep noticeboard on Monday, 22nd January.*

Sports Noticeboard

- Congratulations to Rebecca, 7T, who was part of a team that took part in the British Synchronized Skating Championships in Nottingham last weekend. The team achieved a fantastic result of 4th place and qualified for the ISU International Skating Competition which will take place in Scotland in February. We look forward to hearing about the next competition.
- Good luck to our Sports Scholars who have their assessment day on Thursday at King's. We wish them the best of luck.
- We look forward to hearing about the trip to the Copper Box Stadium, Olympic Park, London to watch some International Netball tomorrow. We hope you have a fabulous time.
- Please note there have been some changes to the sports fixtures on the calendar. These are marked in red.



Sports Results

Saturday 13th January

Netball

U13A v King's Canterbury
Junior King's won 19 - 5
Player of the Match: Harriet

U13B v Dulwich Prep
Dulwich Prep won
Player of the Match: Poppy

U13C v Dulwich Prep
Dulwich Prep won
Player of the Match: Natalya

U13D v Dulwich Prep
Dulwich Prep won
Player of the Match: Blanca

U11A v Dulwich Prep
Dulwich Prep won 10 - 8
Player of the Match: Emmie

U11B v Dulwich Prep
Dulwich Prep won 5 - 0
Player of the Match: Arushi & Gabrielle

U11C v Dulwich Prep
Dulwich Prep won 2 - 1
Player of the Match: Anaïs & Alexandra

U11D v Dulwich Prep
Dulwich Prep won 3 - 1
Player of the Match: Hermione

Rugby

U13A v Canterbury Rugby Club
Canterbury RC won 20 - 15
Player of the Match: Stanley & Max

Tuesday 16th January

Netball

U13A v Kent College
Junior King's won 6 - 4
Player of the Match: ChiChi

Wednesday 17th January

Netball

U13A v St Edmond's
Junior King's won 16 - 5
Player of the Match: Lucy & Ruona

U13B v St Edmond's
Junior King's won 17 - 3
Player of the Match: The Whole Team

U13C v St Edmond's
Junior King's won 16 - 3
Player of the Match: The Whole Team

U13D v St Edmond's
Junior King's won 2 - 0
Player of the Match: The Whole Team

U13E v St Edmond's
Junior King's won 10 - 0
Player of the Match: Isobel & Cerelia

U11A v St Edmond's
Junior King's won 18 - 3
Player of the Match: Dana & Immy

U11D v St Edmond's
St Edmond's won 5 - 1
Player of the Match: Iris

Rugby

U13A v Yardley Court
Yardley Court won 35 - 10
Player of the Match: John O

U12B v Yardley Court
Yardley Court won 60 - 10
Player of the Match: Jerry A

U12A v Yardley Court
Yardley Court won 50 - 5
Player of the Match: Godefroy

U11A v Yardley Court
Yardley Court won 30 - 10
Player of the Match: The Whole Team

U11B v Yardley Court
Junior King's won 30 - 5
Player of the Match: The Whole Team

Thursday 18th January

Rugby

U9A v Spring Grove
Spring Grove won 45 - 30
Player of the Match: Sisan

U9B v Spring Grove
Spring Grove won 45 - 40
Player of the Match: The Whole Team

U8A v Spring Grove
Match drawn 15 - 15
Player of the Match: Reuben

U8B v Spring Grove
Junior King's won 30 - 15
Player of the Match: Joshua O

Calendar

Saturday January 20th	09:00	Parents' Forum in the Music School Classroom
	13:00	International Netball Trip to the Copper Box Stadium, Olympic Park
	13:30	U13B & C (H) v Kent College
	14:15	Rugby: U13A (A) v Wellesley House
	14:15	Rugby: U12A (A) v Wellesley House
	14:15	Rugby: U11A (H) v Wellesley House
	14:15	Rugby: U10A (A) v Wellesley House
Sunday January 21st		Boarders' Activity: Circus Skills (At Home Day)
	17:00	Evening Prayer
Monday January 22nd		Jon Robinson, Visiting Author with Years 7 & 8
	13:00	School Council, Catering & Arts Committee Meetings
	15:00	Rugby: U11 House Matches (Round 3)
	15:00	Rugby: U9A (H) v Wellesley House
	18:30	Senior Musicians' Concert at The Old Synagogue
Tuesday January 23rd	15:10	Rugby: U13 House Matches (Round 3)
	17:00	8L Parents' Evening
Wednesday January 24th	08:30	PAUSE
	14:15	Netball: U11A, B, C & D (A) v St Lawrence College
	14:15	Rugby: U13A (A) v Northbourne Park
	14:15	Rugby: U11A (H) v Northbourne Park
	14:30	Netball: U13B, C, D & E (H) v Sutton Valence
Thursday January 25th		11+ Scholarship Examination
		The King's School Sport Scholarship & Awards Assessment Day
		Year 2 Trip to Canterbury Cathedral
	13:30	Netball: U9A, B & C (H) v St Lawrence
	14:00	Rugby: U8A & U9A (A) v Lorenden
	15:10	Netball: U11 House Matches (Round 1)
	16:30	Informal Concert in the Recital Room
Friday January 26th		No Evening Activities
	08:20	Friends' Coffee Morning
	09:00	The Milner Voices rehearsal
	13:30	First Exeat for Pre-Prep and Prep School
	19:30	Friends' Burns Night in Dining Hall



Burns' Night Supper & Ceilidh



Fri 26th
Jan 2018 7.30pm

£30pp, tables of 8
Dinner and Dancing (vegetarian
option available)
Cash Bar
Raffle



For tickets contact fjksevents@gmail.com



J.K.S U13 Football Tour (Italia 2018)

Curry and Quiz Night

Friday 9th February 2018



Cash Bar

Raffle

Tickets: £15.00 each

Tables of 8 - payment to Mrs Jerman in the School Office