



Trip to The Oak & Rope

As part of their Common Entrance Geography coursework, the Year 8 pupils had an informative trip to The Oak and Rope company on Monday, where they learnt about diversification, sustainability and the running of a small industry. A huge thank you to The Oak & Rope for giving up their time to show our pupils around their workshop.



From the Head

We enjoyed welcoming Mrs Roberts back to Junior King's today to our assembly. We heard all about her incredible achievement of cycling over 600km in Vietnam, from Hanoi to HCM City in order to raise money for the mental health charity Young Minds. She has successfully raised a phenomenal £5000+ for the charity. She showed us some photos of her visit and told us some humbling stories about some of the people that she met.

My thanks to the Friends Committee for the hard work and enthusiasm in putting together such a brilliant Burns' Night last Friday. There was much merriment and dancing all evening and it has been a topic of conversation for much of this week! Certainly an event to repeat annually and one not to be missed! It brought a little bit of Scotland back to my family and was a very special night.

This week our talented singers were treated to an inspiring workshop with Andrew Kennedy, an opera singer. He was full of useful tips and fun for every participant and it was a rewarding and excellent evening.

The boys played superbly for the Foster Cup this year. Our team made it through to the Semi Finals and came third place overall. They played well and represented the school with pride. We presented our successful U13 team with the golden Molten ball and trophies today for the Molten League tournament.

It has been a further hugely successful week for our entrants for the King's School Sport and Music Awards. Once again, our pupils have done extremely well and impressed the Senior King's Heads of Department and staff. We are very proud of them all, and wish those going for Art Awards all the best for next week.

Meet the Staff

McCoubrie - a Scottish surname meaning "son of Cuthbert," with links to St. Cuthbert who lived in Anglo-Saxon Northumbria.

St. Cuthbert was evidently one of the monks of Lindisfarne - AD 687; people came to pray at his grave and then miracles of healing were claimed.

I can make no such miraculous claims, but I am really looking forward to my role as Head of Learning Support here at Junior King's! We all know that many students, at some point in their school lives, benefit from a helping hand in some way or other. I am delighted to be given the role of co-ordinating this support, in such a high achieving and inclusive school.

I feel genuinely very lucky to be working in such a friendly community and look forward to meeting and getting to know more of the pupils and parents as the days go by.

In reality, I was born in Germany (not Scotland!) and my family settled in Kent when I was young. I have worked in Spain in a trilingual 3-18 school, worked as an English teacher and Boarding Housemistress at Sevenoaks School and, more recently, have been a SENCO in an outstanding state grammar school. I feel my life has come full circle in some ways, as I do remember playing matches at Junior King's as a child and I am enjoying being amazed by the beauty of its setting all over again...

My son, Ewan, who has started in Year Two has also thoroughly enjoyed his first weeks here - the variety of activities he has already done is incredible, as is the choice of fruit at lunchtime - wow, strawberries every day!

Many thanks for such a warm welcome, I look forward to working with you all.

/Emma McCoubrie



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 and Upper School 3 questions.

Q1: Amy wants to go to the cinema but she has to be home by 21:00. The film starts at 18:15, is 135 minutes long and it takes her 35 minutes to get home, can she watch the film?

Q2: Mr Hounsell runs up and down a hill which is six kilometres for a round trip. His dog, being slower, walks at half the speed. When Mr Hounsell reaches the top of the hill he turns around and runs down meeting his dog part way. Mr Hounsell continues running to the bottom of the hill at the same speed. The dog follows him, also maintaining his original speed. How far did the dog walk ?

Q3: There is a cage at the Junior Kings Zoo that contains both peacocks and wild pigs. If there is a total of 30 eyes and 44 feet, how many of each are in the cage?

Challenge Question: A tree doubled in height each year until it reached its maximum height over the course of ten years. How many years did it take for the tree to reach half its maximum height?

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The answers to last week's puzzles are at the bottom of the page.

/JH



Answers to last week's questions.
 1. 440
 2. It will take the worm 37 days to escape the hole
 3. There will still be 9 rungs above the ladder. The boat rises with the tide as well!

Notices

- Please could all parents switch off their car engines when stationary in the car parks. It has been noticed that a lot of car engines are being left running whilst waiting for children to enter and exit school. Leaving engines on increases the amount of exhaust fumes in the air, including gasses harmful to the environment, such as carbon dioxide, but also those harmful to health. Many thanks for your assistance in this matter.
- Good luck to all those taking part in the King's School Art Scholarship Assessment Day next week.

From the Music Department

We have enjoyed another busy week in the music department. Miss Morley's harp students received an exciting present on Monday as they got to play on our new school harp which had arrived a few days before. The Japanese built Aoyama Etude harp has replaced our old and slightly battered rented harp. It will be used for harp lessons and by students in concerts.

On Tuesday evening, our singers were treated to an inspirational masterclass with Andrew Kennedy, a well-known opera singer who has performed at all over the world, including as a soloist at the 'Last night of the Proms'. He was also the winner of the Lieder Prize at the 2005 'Cardiff Singer of the World'. He worked intensively with all of our singers and was particularly good at getting them to think of their performances as theatre, as well as to focus on the audience hearing the words clearly.

All of us in the Music Department were delighted with the success of our six candidates in gaining Music Scholarships to King's. There are still lots of opportunities to hear them perform over the next few months. Well done to Ilinca, Bear, Rebecca, Chaewon, George & Theo!

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- ★ **Stars of the Week!** ★
- ★ 3AW: **Hannah** ★
- ★ 3C: **Amelie** ★
- ★ 3W: **Alex** ★
- ★ 4H: **Oscar** ★
- ★ 4M: **Nikolay** ★
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Parents' Forum

The first Parents' forum meeting last Saturday was a lively event! Minutes of the meeting were taken by Miss Scott-Kilvert and I would really recommend that fellow parents have a read through to get an idea of how the Forum will work. Frank comments were made by Class Reps on behalf of parents and equally frank answers were given and/or undertakings to investigate the issues in question.

In total 109 items were put forward by the Class Reps to be discussed at the first meeting - some weighty problems and some relatively minor niggles. Due to the time constraints not all items were able to be included in the agenda but Mrs Karolyi and the Senior Management Team have promised to look at all matters raised during their regular meetings and report back to the parents. As solutions and answers are found for the existing issues the agenda will necessarily get smaller and issues will be able to be discussed in more detail at future meetings. Any questions or suggestions can be put in the Suggestion Box outside Mrs Jerman's office or contact your Class Rep at any time.

Most importantly - and I think all the Class Reps would agree - the Parents' Forum has shown itself to be a worthwhile and exciting new development at JKS. Although the meetings will happen once a term it is an ongoing, active forum. As parents, we have a voice and the school is listening.

/Alexa Pellumbi, Parents' Forum

On a cold and frosty morning, we took a tour of our Nursery garden to explore the frost and ice that had formed overnight. We made footprints in the grass, handprints on our garden equipment and toys, and peered through the glass-like ice. It was magical but very chilly!

So we came back indoors to find our classroom had been transformed into The Blossoms Bistro, with red and white-checked tablecloths and napkins! We were treated to chocolat chaud et pain grillé avec du beurre. As we buttered our own slices, Mme Vleminckx taught us the French words for foods that we love!

THE MINI WEEK

FROM THE PRE-PREP



In Year 1 this week, we have been looking for things in our school environment that are made from a variety of different materials. We are learning how to distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made. To evidence our findings, we took pictures of examples of objects made from wood, metal, fabric, stone, brick, plastic and glass. Can you find objects made from these materials at home too?

It was the turn of the Hazels class to visit our friends at Highland House Care Home, together they shared the class skeleton dance and drew around each other's hands.





We had our first Pre-Prep Catering Committee meeting this term with Mr Cummins. We wrote an agenda with points for discussion and Pippa took minutes. We will feed back to our friends in all the classes in Pre-Prep.



We have been learning about the importance of exercise in Year 2. We have found out that it is a good thing to build a little exercise into every day to keep fit and well. We thought about the different kinds of exercises we already like to do, then worked in pairs to create our own Exercise Challenge cards. Each card gives an exercise to keep up for 1 minute. For example, you may be challenged to run on the spot or skip for one minute. You could make a mini obstacle course and run through hoops and ladder rungs on the ground, or you could have a cone-jumping race. How many burpees can you do in a minute? We practised some of our Exercise Challenge cards in the playground. We also kept an exercise diary for one week. We discovered we get hot, sweaty out of breath and our heart beats faster when we take exercise!



We have been learning about germs and hygiene in Reception this week. We discovered there are germs all around us: on the tables and chairs, on our books and bags, in the bathroom and even on US! Germs are not a good thing to spread around. We did a science experiment using glitter to demonstrate how easy it is to pass germs on to our friends when we touch their hands, but how hard it is to get it all off our skin! Now we



understand how important it is to wash our hands really well. Then we looked at pictures of germs before creating our own, disgusting fantasy germs. Eeeugh!

Pre-Prep Notice Board

- **Wednesday 7th February** – Year 1 Trip to Tonbridge Castle. Please keep an eye on the weather and ensure your child has their uniform coat with them. Please be sure to arrive on time that morning.
- **Friday 9th February** – Reception trip to King's Recreation Centre. A morning visit, which will return in good time for lunch. The school minibuses will leave Pre-Prep soon after the door closes, so please ensure your child is on time that morning.
- **Friday 23rd February, 2.30pm** – Show and Share. We will be enjoying Maths Week in our first week back after half term and we'd like to invite you to come and see what we have been doing. Make a date!
- **Thursday 1st March** – World Book Day. We will be inviting your children to come to school dressed as a favourite book character. Further information will be sent to you nearer the time.

Sports Noticeboard

- Congratulations to the 1st XI football team, who were presented with their Molton League trophies, and the Golden ball this morning in assembly.
- Huge congratulations to all the pupils who applied for a Sports Scholarship; we are very proud of them. Ayo, Henry and Hannah were accepted on to the Sport Excellence Programme, whilst Stanley was awarded a Headmaster's Sport Exhibition. Harriet, Esme, Ruona and Rebecca gained Sport Scholarships. Well done to you all!



Sports Results

Monday 29th January

Netball

U11A v Ashford

Junior King's won 10 - 7

Players of the Match: Sofiya & Feranmi

U11B v Ashford

Ashford won 11 - 1

Players of the Match: Gabrielle & Phoebe

U11C v Ashford

Junior King's won 11 - 3

Players of the Match: Kosi & Onose

U11D v Ashford

Ashford won 11 - 0

Player of the Match: Flavia

Wednesday 31st January

Netball

U13A v Clarendon

Junior King's won 20 - 16

Players of the Match: The Whole Team

U13B v Clarendon

Junior King's won 17 - 9

Players of the Match: Elizabeth T & Zoë

U13C v Northbourne

Northbourne won 7 - 3

Player of the Match: Ekaterina

U13D v Clarendon

Clarendon won 12 - 9

Player of the Match: Maya

U13E v Northbourne

Junior King's won 5 - 1

Players of the Match: Cerelia & Emily

U11B v Northbourne

Northbourne won 8 - 4

Players of the Match: Kosi & Philippa

U11C v Dover College

Dover College won 7 - 0

Player of the Match: Seonji

U11D v Northbourne

Northbourne won 11 - 2

Player of the Match: Ava

Rugby

U13A - Foster Cup

Junior King's were Semi-Finalists

Player of the Tournament: Stanley

U11A v Dulwich

Dulwich won 30 - 15

Player of the Match: Nathan

U11A v St Ronans

Junior King's won 35 - 10

Player of the Match: David

U11B v Dulwich

Dulwich won 15 - 10

U11B v St Ronans

Junior King's won 20 - 15

Player of the Matches: Atila

Thursday 1st February

Netball

U9A v Sutton Valence

Match drawn 1 - 1

U9A v Kent College, Penbury

Kent College won 3 - 0

Player of the Matches: Lottie

U9B v Sutton Valence

Sutton Valence won 2 - 0

U9B v Kent College, Penbury

Kent College won 3 - 0

Player of the Matches: Dasha

U9C v Sutton Valence

Sutton Valence won 2 - 0

U9C v Kent College, Penbury

Kent College won 3 - 0

Players of the Matches: Daria & Daniella

Calendar

Saturday February 3rd	10:00	Rugby: Fledgling Festival, U9 9-a-side
	13:30	Netball: U13A (H) v Wellesley House & Framlingham College
	13:30	Boys' Hockey: U13A & U11A (H) v Framlingham College
	13:30	Netball: U11A & B (H) v Framlingham College
	14:15	Netball: U13B (H) v Wellesley House
	14:15	Netball: U13C & D (A) v Duke of York's
Sunday February 4th		Rugby: U11 & U10 National Schools Rugby Tournament at Epsom College
		Rugby: U13 National Schools Rugby Tournament at Hurstpierpoint
		Boarders' Activity: Roller Skating, Herne Bay
	10:00	Morning Praise with Rob Harrison in the Music School with Chapel Choir
Monday February 5th		Boys' Hockey: U13A In2Hockey Tournament at Kent College
		Geneva English School Rugby & Netball Teams visiting
	15:10	Netball: U11 (H) v Geneva English School
	15:10	Rugby: U11 (H) v Geneva English School
Tuesday February 6th		Geneva English School Rugby & Netball Teams visiting
	14:45	'My Son Pinocchio Jr' - Performance to School
Wednesday February 7th		Year 1 Trip to Tonbridge Castle
	08:30	PAUSE
	14:00	Rugby: U11 Milner 7s Festival (H)
	14:15	Rugby: U11B (A) v Spring Grove
	14:30	Netball: U13B, C, D & E (A) v King's Rochester
	14:30	Rugby: U13A & B (A) v Dulwich Prep, Cranbrook
	14:45	Netball: U13A (H) v U14B King's School, Canterbury
	15:00	Rugby: U12A (H) v Dulwich Prep, Cranbrook
19:00	'My Son Pinocchio Jr' - Performance to Parents in the Barn	
Thursday February 8th		The King's School Art Scholarship Assessment Day
	13:30	Netball: U9A Festival at Kent College (A)
	13:30	Netball: U8B & C (H) v Ashford
	14:00	Rugby: U8A & B (A) v Lorenden
	19:00	'My Son Pinocchio Jr' - Performance to Parents in the Barn
Friday February 9th		No Evening Activities
		Reception Trip to Recreation Centre
	08:20	Friends' Coffee Morning
	09:00	The Milner Voices rehearsal
	16:00	Half Term begins for Years 3 - 8
	16:00	Boarders' Parents' Evening in the Barn
	19:00	Curry & Quiz Night Fundraiser for the Football Tour in the Dining Room

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QUIZ AND CURRY NIGHT



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**The Friends of Junior King's School
Burns' Night
Friday 26th January 2018**

Many thanks to all those who came along to our celebratory Burns' Supper last Friday 26th. What a fabulous way to banish the January blues. We danced, toasted and celebrated all things Scottish..



