



Message from Miss Rukia Begum

HAVE A RESTFUL AND SAFE HALF TERM BREAK

A very warm welcome back to all of our children and families. The summer holidays seem like a long time ago and I'm sure you are all looking forward to the half term break. All the children have settled well into their new classes and built relationships with their class teachers. Thank you to all parents/ carers who met the class teacher for parents' evening online. Hopefully this gave you an opportunity to get to know the teacher and ask any questions. We really value your support in helping the children build their resilience, stamina and work ethic to do what it takes to succeed!

Our new Reception children have settled into the school. The home visits and stay and play sessions in June/ July allowed the children to settle quicker than in previous years because they had already built a relationship with the staff. This is down to the hard work and strategic planning of the team and the effort made by our families to ensure that information has been communicated well and the children feel confident and secure. A very big thank to everybody who has been involved in making this as smooth as it has been for everybody.

Collecting at the end of the day

Children are normally collected by named parents and by those with devolved responsibilities as notified by parents to the school. These adults must have an agreed password which parents/ carers need to share when informing the office. Change of collection information needs to be shared by 2:30 otherwise this information cannot be passed to the class teacher in time. If it is later than that then the office will keep the password and the adult will need to go via Reception to collect the child.

A reminder – once you have collected Year 2, 3 or 4 children, please wait outside the gates for the Year 5 children rather than waiting by the bike rack. This is to ensure the children's safety - we cannot see the children still waiting to be collected if you block the view.

Please be mindful that teachers are dismissing children at this time and this can be a spot of vulnerability- please refrain from long conversations with class teachers at pick up whilst they are supervising children. We are, of course, always happy to talk to you and teachers will do that if you wait until the end or they can arrange to call you should you need to speak to us. If you have any queries please do get in touch.

School and Packed lunches

A reminder that packed lunches and snacks consumed on school site need to be healthy. We have noticed several children eating large crisp bags and chocolates. Therefore, we ask families to ensure the following: Please do not include the items below in their packed lunch or snack:

- Sweets and crisps (only oven baked crisps allowed)
- Products containing nuts
- Fizzy drinks or drinks with high sugar content (water only)
- Chocolate
- Biscuits and doughnuts

Children can bring a piece of fruit, raisins or oven baked crisps for snacks only. For lunch, they do need a main dish such as a sandwich, pasta etc. Thank you for supporting us in this.

Please send your child in with a water bottle. These are refillable in classrooms.

Communication

Parents – if you have a query or question then please email or phone the office and the message will be forwarded to the relevant adults. Please do not email the class teachers directly - this is still happening. You can speak to them at the end of the day if you wait.

Message from Miss Begum continued/...

	Each year group has a Year Group Leader:	Senior Leaders then oversee phases:
Reception	Mrs Hearne	Mrs Farrar
Year	Ms Nessa	Mr Wellsman
Year 2	Mrs Riganti	
Year 3	Mrs Azigbo	Mrs Brooks
Year 4	Ms Jaffery	
Year 5	Mr Harrison	Mrs Kari
Year 6	Ms Bazuaye	
SENDCO: Ms Khanom		

Next term will be a busy term so look out for dates for the Christmas assemblies and the Christmas Fair. Phonics parent meetings have taken place with Reception and Year 1 parents and lots of parents attended, which was great. The slides can be found on our website.



We have had a successful start to the school year and know that the children will continue to build on the learning that has already been put in place; we look forward to working closely with you all to ensure that all of our children flourish and have the opportunities available to them to continue to do this. Miss Begum

Autumn Term Dates — Second Half

Date	Time	Event
Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October		HALF TERM - school closed
Monday 13 th November		Anti-Bullying Week - Odd Sock Day
Tuesday 14 th November		Flu Immunisations (Part 1)
Friday 24 th November		INSET DAY (school closed for children)
Friday 1 st December	3.30pm - 5.00pm	Christmas Fair
Thursday 7 th December		Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch
Friday 8 th December		Flu Immunisations (Part 2)
Wednesday 13 th December	9.15am	Year 1: Christmas Performance to Parents
	10.45am	Reception: Christmas Performance to Parents
	2.00pm	Year 2: Christmas Performance to Parents
Thursday 14 th December	9.15am	Year 3: Christmas Performance to Parents
	10.45am	Year 4: Christmas Performance to Parents
	2.00pm	Year 5: Christmas Performance to Parents
Friday 15 th December	9.15am	Year 6: Christmas Performance to Parents
	2.00pm	Class parties
Wednesday 20 th December	12.00pm	School closes - last day of term
Thursday 21st December to Wednesday 4th January		School closed
Thursday 4 th January		School Opens



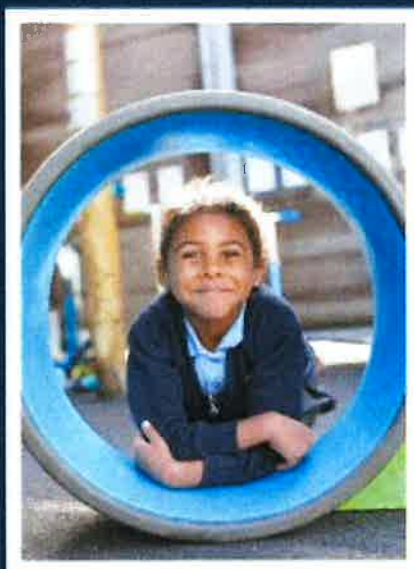
Seven Kings School



**Prospective
Reception Parents'
Open Evening**

Tuesday 7th November 2023 at 5pm

Please visit the school website at
www.sevenking.school for further
details and to book a
space or follow the
QR code.



We look forward to seeing you there.

Friendship Excellence Opportunity

Panathlon Event 2023

Our wonderful children from Year 5 and 6 were selected to participate in the Panathlon event held at Caterham High School. The children took part in a series of events such as basketball, curling, popcorn and bean bag toss. Our children wore the crown on the day and beat 4 other teams to come in first place. Well done Champions!



Reception



This Term

What a busy first half term we have had. We are so proud of the way the children have settled into school. We have now established routines and we are ready to learn as soon as we come into school. We value our Golden Rules and have been trying to make sure we do these daily. We have been very busy learning in our indoor and outdoor classrooms and have really enjoyed our specialist subjects, Mandarin and PE.

If you haven't already, don't forget to sign up for Tapestry, our online Learning Journal. This is where you will be able to see some of the things we have been learning in school and you can add your own photos of the exciting things you get up to at the weekend and during the holidays.



Thank you for all the support from our parents and carers, we are looking forward to working as a team this year.



Maths

This half term we have been learning all about comparison. We learnt about similarities and differences in a variety of different ways. The children had fun matching pairs of socks and designing their own matching socks or buttons. We compared size, shape and colour through fun games as a whole class. We have made patterns and looked at repeating patterns. We also learnt how to compare size, height and length. The children learnt new vocabulary such as; tall, taller, tallest, short, shorter, shortest, longer, biggest, smallest.



Phonics and Reading

We have started our phonics programme Little Wandle. In these daily sessions we are learning the sounds that each letter makes and orally segmenting and blending sounds to prepare the children to hear the separate sounds in words. Try this at home with your children: c-a-t, can they tell you the word cat after you have sounded it out? Please use the weekly Home Learning Sheets sent home to support learning. We will be hosting a Phonics Workshop after half term for parents. We have sent out reading books, please look after these and keep them in the reading wallets when you are not reading. The children's Google Classroom logins are stuck to the front of their yellow reading records, please don't lose them.



English

In Reception we have been learning how to listen carefully and understand why listening is important. We have also been enjoying listening to stories, joining in with actions and key phrases, as well as begin to retell stories. Some of the engaging texts we have been reading are *The Colour Monster*, *Pete the Cat Rocking in his School Shoes*, *Once there were Giants*, *Mr Birthdays Birthday*. *And The Dot*. All of these books have helped the children deal with their emotions and feelings about starting school, growing up and perseverance.



Information

PE days are Tuesdays and Fridays for ALL classes. Please come dressed in your PE kit. Please ensure all clothing and water bottles are labelled.

As the weather gets colder please ensure your child brings a coat and suitable footwear. Please remember water bottles should **NOT** be placed in book bags.

Library Days:

Elmer – Thursday

Gruffalo -Thursday

Kipper - Monday

Paddington– Tuesday

Year 1

What a wonderful start year 1 have had in English! After becoming familiar with the traditional tale, 'The Three Little Pigs', we enjoyed joining in with the key phrases, retelling the story orally with makaton actions and worked really hard to write some brilliant sentences to retell the story. In play based learning it has been wonderful to see the children retelling the story with their friends and pretending to be the different characters. We are so proud of how hard the children have worked and are excited to see what other work they can produce after half term!



Science: In science we have been learning all about animals including humans! We have learnt how to identify mammals and have been sorting the different animals into mammals and fish by asking different scientific questions such as; does it breathe air? Or is it a vertebrae?



Geography

Our children are so proud of where they come from. They have been sharing lots of information about where we live and what we may see in our local area. We have talked about different types of homes and the difference between urban and rural. We loved looking on google maps and creating road maps about our journey home and ensured we talked about road safety. We have also learnt about natural and human features in our local area.



Maths

In maths, we are learning about place value. We are looking at numbers 0-10 and we are counting forwards and backwards, saying one more and one less, sorting objects and comparing numbers using the language **greater than**, **less than** and **equal** to. These are all key skills which we need to master as they will help us when we look at greater numbers later in the year. We have been using our fingers, cubes, ten-frames and number lines to help us.

Remember to login to **Times Table Rockstars** for a fun way to practise times tables with your child!

Indoor Provision

We have loved being able to choose our own learning in our provision time. We have been learning how to use our time productively by using lots of different things around our classroom to explore our learning. We have built houses for the little pigs to live in, made our own mini books and even designed and created our own mermaids and robots!



Outdoor Provision

We have loved being able to explore and learn in our new outdoor classroom. This half term the children have really focused on the expectations of the outdoor classroom and being able to access the outdoors independently and safely. We have been concentrating on being busy in our learning and choosing our learning carefully. We have been developing our gross motor skills and doing 'big' learning when outdoors. Our outdoor classroom is an extension of the indoor classroom so we have lots of activities linked with our current topics.



P.E

We love having P.E with Mr Edmunds. This term we are learning ball skills, such as throwing and catching to help our hand-eye coordination.



Reminders

- **PE is on Tuesdays and Wednesday.** Please can all children wear correct PE uniform and suitable trainers. Children must not have earrings in nor should they be covered with tape. Earrings must be removed for PE lessons.
- Reading with your child at home is an important way that you can support them to become fluent confident readers. Please try to read with them for at least 10 minutes **every day**.
- Please remember to bring **books bags** and **reading records** to school every day. Reading books will be changed on a Tuesday or Wednesday. Children will visit the library once a week and will bring home a book to share with an adult and read for pleasure.
- Please accept your child's new **Google Classroom** invite and visit Google Classroom for weekly spellings and important updates and information.

Year 2

Reading

Children need to read at home every day for at least **10 minutes**. Children take home 2 books every week - the coloured-banded book and the library book. Please, ask your child questions about the book they are reading when they have finished reading for the day:

What happened in the story? (Fiction)

What is this book/poem about? (Non-fiction/Poetry)

Children are also taking home a comprehension text every week.

IT ADDS UP!

If you read just 15 minutes a day, in one year you will have read over 1,000,000 words!



Behaviour for Learning

We have been working hard to improve the Behaviour for Learning in Year 2. Children are practising how to:

1. Pay attention in all lessons
2. Participate in all lessons
3. Work independently and concentrate in all lessons

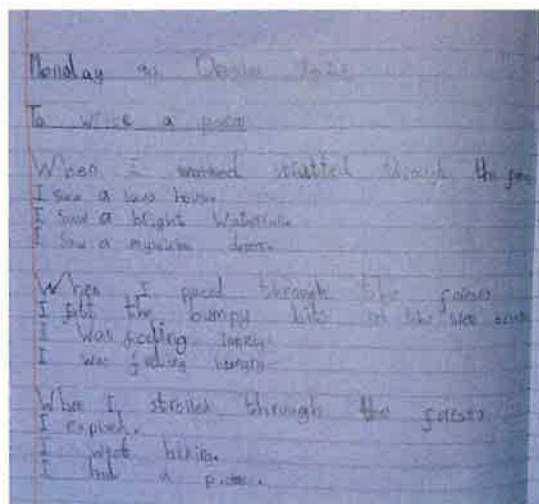
Maths

Children have learnt how to partition numbers into tens and ones and how to represent 2-digit numbers in different ways by using sticks and ones. They have also learnt how to order numbers up to 100 and how to count in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s. For next half term, children need to learn all the number bonds to 10, 20 and 100 and the number facts to 10. Please, practise this with your child.



English

In English, children have learnt to read and retell the Traditional Story Little Red Riding Hood. They have also read the story "The Last Wolf" by Mini Grey. They learnt how to write a poem to describe a journey through a forest and how to retell the story. This term, children have worked really hard to improve their handwriting. Children need to be able to form all letters correctly and use the correct sizing of letters. They also need to be able to use capital letters and full stops correctly in their writing.



Year 3

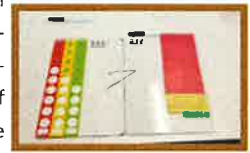
Wear your CROWN: "What a great start to the year!"



Thank you parents and carers as you endeavour to bring your child into school daily for a prompt start at 8:40 and pick up at 3:05. Children have begun this term by having daily guided reading lessons and practicing letter formation. Our focus so far have been long letters. We are determined to embed our joins in all writing and to take pride in the presentation of all our work! Keep going, children!

Well-being: Children are settling into Year 3 routines and are trying their best to model excellent behaviour for learning and community at all times. Please ask your child about our class charter and playground rules.

Maths: This term we have been focusing on place value and representing numbers up to 1000. Children have used a wide variety of manipulatives to represent three digit numbers. Using place value counters and dienes have helped the children visualise their learning whilst also enabling talk. Children have been introduced to Maths Verbs to justify their mathematical reasoning: 'Explain it', 'Draw it' and 'Investigate it' are just some of the verbs we have used so far.



We will continue with Arithmetic lessons to support with rapid recall of number facts. So far, all classes have taken part in Timetables practice this term. **A huge well done to children and thank you to our parents for your support.**

This term in **PSHE**, we have focused on **Living in the wider world**. We have been exploring how to live in the community, keeping safe, modelling friendship and respect. Within our lessons, children have been learning about being respectful and kind. Children also described their personal strengths and interests and as a class, we listed skills that we now have that we didn't have when we were in Year 2. We understand what we need to do to stay safe online and in our local community. We know that adults have a duty to make sure we are kept safe at all times.



Year 3 Love Writing!

To kick start the first half term in Year 3, children began by exploring 'Free Fall' by David Weisner to create their own 'stream of consciousness monologue'. We used this literary style to make inferences based on the illustrations in the story. We learnt how punctuation affects speech and intonation. Children consolidated this skill in several writing pieces in our study of 'Alice in Wonderland' By Lewis Carol. We used these literary devices to write a recount, create invitations and empathised with a character.



Reading Scrapbooks!

We have launched our Reading Scrapbook for the year 2023-2024 to promote our love of **READING!** Remember to record your reading in your reading records and change your book as soon as you finish it. Talk to your child about what they have been reading at school this term. Have they got a favourite book so far?



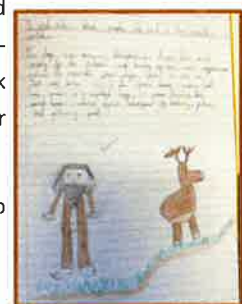
Article 17: Every child has the right to get information. Article 31: Right to rest

History: Year 3 have enjoyed learning new facts and vocabulary about the Stone Age. Ask your child to tell you a fact or two.



We also worked collaboratively to

order a historic time line which is on display in our classes.



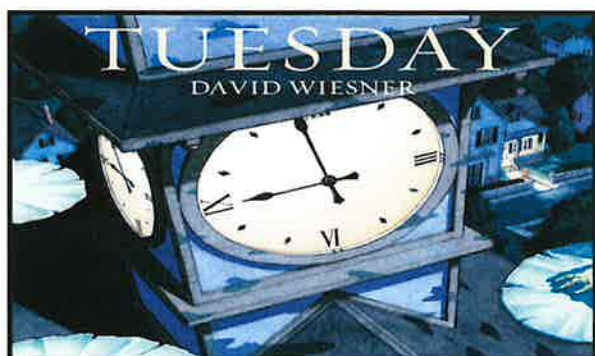
Year 4

It is absolutely fantastic to see all the children back in school and eager to learn. Well done to all the children for beginning to adjust to the Year 4 routine and for following the school's expectations. It is very important that the children take into consideration the school ethos, values and expectations and are displaying good behaviour. In Year 4, the children should be at school by 8:50am. We do start learning as soon as the children arrive and there are activities, based around English and Maths, which they complete on arrival as a soft start. It is important to ensure that your child arrives on time. Remember to inform the school if your child is unwell and is unable to attend school that day. The school day ends at 3.05pm. Please ensure that you collect your child on time and if someone else is collecting your child, then please make sure that they have your unique password and that the office has been informed.

Year 4 team: *Mrs. Jaffery* (4.1 Callas class and Year Group Leader), **Mr. Ashraf** (4.2 Fitzgerald class), **Mrs. Thakee** (T, W, T F)/ **Ms. Rai** (M) (4.3 McCartney Class) and **Ms. O'Regan** (4.4 Mozart class)

English

We have started the curriculum in English. Since the beginning of Year 4, we have been looking at the book *Tuesday* by David Wiesner. It is a beautiful award winning picture book that encourages the children to use a range of descriptive vocabulary and helps to develop story writing skills. During lessons, children have been writing setting descriptions, character descriptions, newspaper reports and will be beginning to write their own story.



Maths

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been working on basic skills, ensuring the children are confident with their place value, number skills and rounding. We have had a lot of practical lessons during our Place Value topic in Maths, where the children have been using pictorials and concrete resources to represent numbers and show their answers. We have also started to practise our times tables. If your child has practised their times tables and is ready to be tested, please make sure that they have their times tables passport with them. Those that already have their certificates, should still be practising their times tables. Every week, we have a timeslot where children are able to use practise their times tables. Weekly challenges are also set up for children on Times Tables Rockstar to practise their times tables at home. Please ensure that children are aware of all their logins.



Presentation

The children have all settled in really well and it's lovely to see them trying so hard with their presentation. Please continue to encourage neat handwriting. Children should be following the Crown Presentation at all times.

Key Stage 2 Presentation Reminders



WEAR THE CROWN

- C**are - I always care about the presentation of my work. I never doodle on my books.
- R**uler - I always use a ruler to draw lines and shapes.
- O**ops! - I have made a mistake - I always use a single ruler line to cross it out. I never scribble.
- W**riting - I always write with the blue pen and use a freshly sharpened pencil for maths work and drawings.
- N**eat - I use my neatest handwriting at all times.

Trip

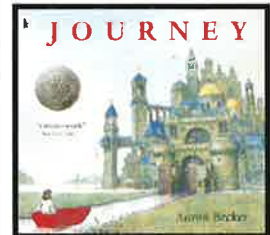
This week all of the year 4 children will be going on the trip to the British Museum to enrich the history curriculum. We are going primarily to find out more about the Romans and their lasting legacy on life in the UK. Thank you to all the volunteers.



Year 5

Welcome back everyone, to a new year at Seven Kings. The children have all settled into their school routine very well and we are looking forward to an exciting year ahead of us. In Year 5 this year, we have; Mr Mallick, Ms York, Mr Miah and myself, Mr Harrison.

In English this term, we have been looking at the text 'Journey' by Aaron Becker. Although this book has no words, the children have managed to look at a range of text types already, producing narratives that build suspense, portray character emotions and provide descriptive, detailed setting descriptions. The children have also looked at new grammatical techniques already this term, while revisiting some from previous years.



Please do continue to read with your child regularly at home as this will help them with their learning greatly. The reading records should be filled out each day a child reads (whether with an adult or independently). The children will have regular access to the school library and we will be encouraging them to read a range of different texts from a range of genres. In our reading lessons this term, we have already highlighted a number of key skills that the children can practise at home.



In maths this term we have been focusing on securing pupils' understanding of place value. This is a skill that is revisited each year because it applies to so many areas of maths. We have explored different ways of representing numbers including part-whole diagrams and bar models. In recent weeks we have applied this learning to addition and subtraction. The children have been pushing their thinking by proving and demonstrating their ideas in different ways i.e. through drawings and annotations.

In science this term, the children have been learning about the different forces that affect everything around us. The children have been focussing on gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction. Additionally, they have been able to conduct scientific experiments to test their predictions and then explain their findings. This included the children testing gyrocopters of different sizes and learnt how air resistance affects its fall and how objects that are streamlined and those that are not streamlined are affected by water resistance.



Year 5 have been studying the 'Ancient Greeks' in history this term, where they have learnt about the legacy the Greeks left behind along with the significant events that took place from the era. We have been looking at the similarities and differences between this ancient era and the modern one as well as looking at how the discoveries and politics have impacted our lives today. In addition to this, children have delved deeper into ancient Greek cities and have considered their importance during that time. Year 5 have enjoyed learning about the Greek gods and were excited to begin reading the story of Prometheus and Pandora during their reading sessions.

Reminders

- PE will be on Thursdays each week. Please ensure the children come to school in their PE kit.
- Reading records should be brought into school each week and signed by a parent. We expect the children to read at least 5 times a week.
- Do speak to the children about what they are learning in school, it is important for them to share their learning with others as this is part of the consolidation process.



Year 6

It has been a busy few weeks in Year 6 and it is fair to say everyone has worked incredibly hard to make the start of the new year calm, supportive and exciting. It has been wonderful to see the children taking on new challenges with confidence and settling quickly into the familiar routines and expectations. Well done, Year 6! Here are a few words from a student, summing up the past few weeks.

My journey through Y6 so far has been fantastic! At the end of Y5, my thoughts of Y6 had been focused on SATs but when I was introduced to the year group on September 6th, my teacher (Mr Miah) made me so welcome. Since then, I have endeavoured to do my best and all the Y6 teachers have encouraged me, helping me to be resilient and just be the very best I can.

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English

This half term, the children enjoyed reading and discussing our core text, *Rose Blanche*—the story of a young German girl who struggles to ignore the many changes her small town experiences after the onset of war. Their thinking and writing centred around developing a sense of empathy with Rose and writing two pieces from her point of view—a diary entry and a letter.



Science

One of our science topics this half term is light. Building on learning from Y3, the children have explored the role light plays in making it possible to see and observed how light behaves when travelling from a light source to an object. Lesson by lesson, they have been building towards planning and executing their own investigations. Below, are pictures of their investigation into how light behaves when travelling from a light



Art



London then and now forms part of our art topic this term. The children have been looking at images of London from the past and making comparisons. Using pencils, they have created sketches of city streets.



S.E.A.T.S.S UPCOMING PARENT TRAINING DATES

Training Every Monday Evening Online

7:00pm-8:00pm

or

Monday Morning Online 9:30am-10:30am



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Are you looking for ways to support your child with **reading, writing and spelling?**

Do you want to learn more about **Dyslexia?**

Pick a date and time and join us at our **ONLINE** events hosted by **Specialist Advisory Teachers**



*Free: For Parents/carers living in Redbridge.
Cost: £6.99 for Parents/carers living outside of Redbridge.*

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Are you looking for ways to support your child with **maths**?

Do you want to learn more about **Dyscalculia**?

Pick a date and time and join us at our **ONLINE** events hosted by Specialist Advisory Teachers



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Monday Morning Online 9:30am-10:30am



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Are you looking for ways to support your child with **handwriting** and **fine motor skills**?



Do you want to learn more about **Dyspraxia**?

Pick a date and time and join us at our **ONLINE** events hosted by **Specialist Advisory Teachers**

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Are you looking for ways to support your child with **revising for exams?**

Do you want to learn **new and advanced strategies** that can support your child?

Pick a date and time and join us at our **ONLINE** events hosted by Specialist Advisory Teachers



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Congratulations to all of Year 7 on a fabulous first half term at SKS. It has been a half term filled with *Friendship, Excellence and Opportunity* and our Year 7 students have been proudly wearing their Seven Kings crowns. The whole year 7 team are very proud of how the students have settled into life at SKS. We wish you all a lovely rest and recharge over the half term break ready to take on the next half term with kindness, ambition and resilience!

Mrs Handley, Mrs Rosenthal & Year 7 Tutors

Praise

Huge congratulations to the following students who received more than 3 praise comments from teachers in the year group:

3 Mentions	4 Mentions	5 Mentions	6 Mentions
Tate	Arjan	Khadijah Sheth	Faraha
Kamsi	Shazmeen	Gurneet	Ny'asia
Ava	Noor	Sophia	
Falisha	Rylan		
Muhammed S	Reet		
Harsimran	Sindy		
Eloise	Ayaan		
Hana M	Laiba		
Deivan	Zakariya L		
Hibah-Maryam	Yahya K		
Isabella	Aminah		
Jesmin	Maryam Akram		
Hajrah	Yusuf I		
Taha	Dawud		
Muhammad W			
Zidane			
Sami			
Rhian			
Hateem			
Anton			
Arshmah			
Sara			
Zainab			
Halle			
Zakariya S			

Particular Congratulations to:

Anah Bobat who received 7 praise mentions

Sofia Butt who received 9 praise mentions



Year 8 News

Year 8 have made a fantastic start to this year. Our Year 8 students had the opportunity to practice their language skills and experience a different culture on the trip to Boulogne in September and students' behaviour was exemplary. Year 8 Interims will be sent home week commencing 5th of November. Awards evening will take place on 1st of November and this will be by invitation only. Our year 8 Curriculum Evening will take place on the 8th of November.

Year 8 Teacher Praise

Full Name	Reg
Ahmed, Abdul-Rahman	8.1
Jabarzai, Hajrah	8.1
Liton, Faria	8.1
Patel-Mendonca, Jai	8.1
Wei, Jessica	8.1
Ahmed, Rayyan	8.2
Nandhray, Satinder	8.2
Danial, Aafia	8.3
Talati, Muhammad	8.3
Syed, Zuhair	8.4
Ahmed, Hiba	8.5
Amey, Donell	8.5
Butt, Humza	8.5
Rahman, Rifat	8.5
Yousaf, Maryam	8.5
Demaj, Enars	8.6
Thomas-Gillespie, Preston	8.6

Post Year 8 Autumn Interim we asked Year 8 teachers to write comments about students who had impressed them since the start of term. **106 students** have enthused their teacher by their engagement with learning and received a letter home. We are so proud of you all! We would like to extend our congratulations to **Jessica Wei** and **Jai Patel-Mendonca** for their engagement with their learning in their first half term. Both students have received 5 praise comments this term from their teachers. This is a fantastic achievement and they can be very proud of themselves! Their excellent learning habits will continue to serve them well in year 8 and beyond. Furthermore, the students below received 3 or more praise comments from their teachers. This is Fantastic!! This outstanding achievement will serve you well!



School Streets Walk Zone project

Fatima Ali, Yaseen Patel, Miles Mussi, Vinessha Jeyavarman and Mohiuddin Razaq will be taking part in the School Streets Walk Zone project next term.

The purpose of the project is to support the introduction of the School Street (going live at the beginning of next academic year), and to provide Seven Kings with a pupil-led Walk Zone Map that can be used to promote and increase levels of walking and cycling to school.

Students will be plotting safe and healthy routes for sustainable ways of getting to class and then sharing what they've designed in an assembly or form time.

Miss Khan and Ms Sariman
Year 8 Year Leader and Deputy Year Leader

Year 9 News

This year's motto is 'make the right choice' as year 9 have an important year ahead in terms of making choices about their GCSE options. The pastoral team has been speaking with students regularly about their initial ideas about what they might like to pick in order to get students thinking about this crucial decision. The options process will be supported over the next half term with lots of form time activities around the 'making the right choice', ensuring year 9 students are well informed and prepared to make the right decision for their chosen pathway.

Below is a timeline of the key dates, which have been shared with the students.

20th October - 1st Interim home

9th January - Options launch/curriculum evening

15th-26th January- Options taster lessons

18th January- 2nd Interim home

29th January-9th February - Options interviews/options form issued

16th February- Option form deadline

18th July- 3rd interim home

Well done to the following classes who have been impressing their teachers this half term!

9C - English Whole Class	Continuous improvement, responsive to feedback, and always engaged. Some very thoughtful responses about power, corruption, and leadership over the past few weeks. Growing in maturity and understanding with every lesson - on the way to being GCSE ready! Very proud and impressed - keep up the excellence.
9Y3 - Maths	Fantastic focus, effort and always ready to learn in lessons. All show excellent resilience and great team work. Well done!
9En1- English	Great start to year 9. Strong focus, energy and effort in lessons.
9X4- Maths	Great start to year 9. Really focused and putting in lots of effort into their work. Well done class!
9SMn- Mandarin	Set a very high standard of GCSE readiness so far.
9Y/Pe1- PE	Excellent progression and attitude during the basketball module. Well done for applying yourselves and taking risks to improve!

YL and DYL stars of the half term

The below students have been nominated by their tutor as being amazing in form time this half term. Congratulations!

8.1- Imogen, Hubab, Jemmy and Hadi

8.2- Jannath and Smiruthi

8.3- Hooriyah and Hana B

8.4- Jibrill and Daian

8.5- Alif and Isha

8.6- Tahoora and Liyana



Year 10 News

The Year 10 Motto is "Challenge Yourself! Dare to Succeed!"

Year 10 have made a fantastic start to the term and settled in really well into their GCSE courses. We have conducted many learning walks in which we have seen real focus, resilience and commitment towards their learning. Well done Year 10 - keep it up!

With our Year 10 motto in mind we asked Year 10 teachers to praise pupils who they think are stepping up to the challenge of GCSE and daring to succeed and we had an overwhelmingly positive response. This is a great start to year 10.

The following pupils achieved the most praise and have been celebrated in assembly. A big congratulations to them for making an outstanding start to their GCSEs.



PUPIL	TOTAL
ARORA Daksh	7
HUSSAIN Nuha	6
HUSSAIN Yaseen	6
POP Alessia	6
TALAL Khadija	5

Year 10 Curriculum Evening

The Year 10 curriculum Evening will be on Tuesday 31st October at 6pm in the school hall. This will give you the opportunity to learn about the Year 10 curriculum, what the GoGAR interims entail, how to support your child through their GCSEs and also work experience. Please attend to ensure you are well informed with what your child is currently doing at school. There is no need for our Year students to attend with you.

Celebration of Excellence

Congratulations to the 70 pupils in Year 10 who achieved all greens and golds on their most recent GoGAR interim. Letters have been sent home and they have been celebrated in form time. This is an amazing achievement and reflects the high standards our Year 10s have set themselves. We are so impressed with their work ethic and are certain they will flourish.

Uniform Reminders

A gentle reminder that if your child has PE on Monday, they must bring their full school uniform to school with them to change into.

Lots of jewellery and nail polish is creeping in - please ensure that your child is following the school uniform policy.

Happy Half Term!

Mrs O'Brien, Mrs Sehmy and the Year 10 Team.

Year 11 News



The Year 11 team would like to introduce our recently appointed Headship Team. After sending in their applications at the end of Year 10, the candidates had to bravely make a speech in front of the year group about their passion to be part of the Headship Team, including their qualities and skills that can be applied to the role to lead the year group. These students were then shortlisted and went on to have interviews with the Senior Leadership Team, Year Leader and Sixth Form Headship Team. All students that went through the interview process demonstrated such amazing leadership skills. There was such a high calibre of interest and passion for the role as well as a dedication to the role that we were all blown away and inspired by their motivation! As a result, it was a very difficult decision to

make and so it was decided that all students who went through the interview process would be part of the Headship Team. We are excited to introduce to you our Headship Team and their roles:

Head Boy: Navjot Marwa

Head Girl: Yasmin Ali

Deputy Head Boy: Moiz Calcuttawala

Deputy Head Boy: Zakariya Gajia

Deputy Head Girl: Alina Petrovskyte

Deputy Head Girl: Safeerah Patel



These students are so proactive and have already begun to meet with each other and take part in events around the school such as the prospective Year 6 parents' tours greeting both students and parents. We cannot wait to see what they continue to achieve over the year!

Miss Charitou, Miss Barrett and the Year 11 Form Tutors

A Fantastic Start to the Year!



prepare them for their GCSEs.

We were delighted by the results our students achieved in the summer. All our Year 11s got a grade in English GCSE and there were some brilliant results. Our students have gone on to build their futures by following a variety of pathways including supported internships with the NHS, college courses and A levels. Year 10 and 11 are following in their footsteps and are working hard on their ASDAN course as well as Entry Levels which will

We were delighted to welcome our new Year 7s who have settled in very well and have joined lots of clubs. They will be joining the team for the Panathlon Games next half term. Our interventions have started and our students are working hard on their OT, Physio and Speech and Language programmes. Reading interventions will be starting up in November. Gardening has started and some students will be receiving their AQA Unit Awards in Horticulture later on in the term.

Pupil Support

Boulogne-Sur-Mer, France

Our year 8 students have been excitedly starting on their choice of modern language in September (choosing from Mandarin Chinese, French and Spanish), and to celebrate the end of a great year, the MFL department organised for all year 8 students and some year 10 students to travel to Boulogne sur Mer, on the northern French 'Opal' coast, for the day on 29th September. "On s'est bien amusé!" The highlights included a 'pique-nique' on the old city walls with a walk, exchanges with the local marketeers and a lovely afternoon on the beach in the late summer sun! The boat crossing gave us the opportunity to play board games and make new friends.



Well done and we look forward to teaching you more delights of MFL this year! ~ **MFL Team.**



Maths Challenge 2023



UKMT Senior Mathematical Challenge 2023 saw 30 of our Further Mathematicians from Y12 and Y13 sit the UKMT Senior Mathematical Challenge, a competition designed to challenge the brightest mathematicians of schools nationally. We had a successful competition with 22 of our students achieving either a Bronze, Silver or Gold award. Congratulations to **Muhammad Naqvi** Y12 for the highest score. Well done to everyone that took part!

Miss F Khan, Maths Department.



Top 10 SPARX Maths Stars

Name	Form	XP Points
Naif Barahim	8.2	13,340
Hafsa Amir	7.5	10,380
Abeerah Saleem	7.6	10,274
Umaiza Nawab	7.1	10,076
Deivan Virdee	7.4	10,034
Laiba Mariam	7.3	10,021
Azmain Sarwar	9.4	7,398
Aasiya Desai	9.2	6,629
ZainabAmjad	8.2	6,562
Reyansh Gupta	7.3	5,894

Join us in our maths clinic and become the next SPARX Star!



MATHS CLINIC

ALL YEAR GROUPS WELCOME!

WHEN:

Thursday Lunchtime



WHERE: IT3

(upstairs of the Maths/Languages block)

Drop in to ask for help with your SPARX homework or to do extra practice!

You don't have to stay for the whole of lunch.



XP Boost

Target

Practice

Ms Ahmad



SKSL Seven Kings School Library

Let us pick up our books and our pens. They are our most powerful weapons. One child, one teacher, one book and one pen can change the world.”
— Malala Yousafzai

Seven Kings School Libraries has made a great start to this school year. The libraries are stocked with exciting new books that are truly representational and Primary classrooms are now well stocked with exciting books for the pupils to borrow and read! We're going to continue to strive to make our whole community a reading community and the stats show that we have made a great start to the year:

Top Reader: **Rayyan Ahmed** 8.2—45 Books

Top Reading Form: **5.3** 274 Books

Top Reading English Class: **7E** 122 Books

Top Reading Year Group: **Year 4** 698 Books

Total Issues this year: **5K**

Big thanks to the ever-growing team of **Student Librarians** for keeping on top of the mass of shelving: **Aiden Walton** 8.5 **Hana Bobat** 9.3 **Isha Athwal** 9.5 **Umna Khan** 6F.17 and the new Year 7 Student Librarians: **Sana Ugradar** 7.1 **Hajrah Ahmed** 7.2 **Syed Mehdi** 7.3 **Hana Moosa** 7.5 **Hibah-Maryam Ahmed** 7.6 and **Harsimran Kaur** 7.6 who have been really keen and started their duties admirably well. Thank you.

Wheelers is available for **eBooks** even when the library is closed. Simply log into your gmail then goto <https://sevenkings.eplatform.co/> and sign in to gain access. **370** eBooks have been borrowed this year.

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Many, many thanks for all of your **donations**. Last year just over **1K** of books were donated totaling nearly **£7K** of books! The books donated to Primary and Secondary are helping to fill the shelves and broaden the minds - keep them coming...

Any **comments**, suggestions, recommendations, problems or praise please email m.leeming@sevenkings.school

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Mr. Leeming is currently struggling in 5th spot and strongly considering a Wildcard after the International break...

Mr Leeming



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Science Club



Science club has started with a real bang this half term with many new members obtaining their science club badge, and some returning members taking a massive leadership role. This half term we have been really active and have made slime, modelled how the heart works and looked at live daphnia (water fleas) under the microscope. During the next half term we will be working on a project to design a building that will not be able to be flooded.

I am really proud of the science clubbers, they are real STEM ambassadors and have used their knowledge and expertise gained in the science club activities to support their fellow students in class.

Ms Feeney-Smith



Year 9s attend New Scientist Live 2023



20 Year 9 students attended the 2023 New Scientist Live event on 9th October at Excel. The new Scientist Live is more than just talks! The gigantic show enabled all students to experience a plethora of stands and lectures showcasing the latest research and technology, interactive experiences and a lively Market Place to get their hands on the best scientific swag! With over 80 exhibits and features on the show floor, students let their inner scientist out and mixed with leading researchers who are shaping the world around us. From the hospital of the future, to experiencing the metaverse to getting up close to little critters, our Year 9s found there was something for every scientific interest.

Students' commented:

'It was a memorable experience in which I learnt many new things, and I thoroughly enjoyed it. My favourite part of the day by far was the lectures by speakers who really helped in enthusing me to further study science'

'Great trip, was so lucky to see and get an autograph of an F1 driver (Sebastien Buemi), thanks Seven Kings!'



Dr Moriarty

PE SPORTS NEWS!

A really positive start to life in the PE department at 7K! Our lovely pupils have shown an excellent attitude towards PE lessons and a real appetite to increase their knowledge, understanding and skills whilst challenging themselves to improve! The new Year 7s get a special mention as they have settled in really well to PE lessons, as well as our 6th form sports volunteer coaches who have given up their time to support the extra-curricular programme.

Our primary pupils have really enjoyed their subject specialist sessions at both the primary and secondary campus and their enthusiasm for sport has been amazing! Pupils have been taking part in activities such as netball, hockey, football, tag rugby and badminton.

The primary and secondary PE extra-curricular clubs programme has also been running since the start of term, with a combined total of 28 after school, before school and lunchtime clubs on offer! A huge thank you to all members of staff for their commitment towards the extra-curricular programme. Pupils have enjoyed the variety of activities and attendance has been truly fantastic - the weather has been great too! Look out for new extra-curricular clubs after half-term. The season for local school team fixtures and competitions is also now in full flow, with selected pupils representing the school in various sports in both regional and local competitions. Well done to all those that have been selected. A round up of results below:

SKS PE Department

PRIMARY



We have begun this term with some very exciting sports clubs including the addition of hockey for years 3 - 6 and the continuation of our incredibly popular girl's football with Miss Phillips and Mr Edmunds.



There have been a number of competitions and festivals that the primary school have taken part in during the first half term. In



September, a selection of year 3 and 4 girls took part in a borough wide football festival at Frenford FC. The girls had a great time earning new skills from young sports leaders before



taking part in a mini tournament in the afternoon. Well done to all the girls selected for putting in their very best effort.

Also in September, a selection of children from years 3-6 took part in the annual Redbridge fun run. There was a new venue as the event shifted to Goodmayes Park. This didn't deter our runners however as they competed well against well over 20 other schools from around Redbridge.

FOOTBALL

YEAR 7 FOOTBALL

The year 7s started their football life at Seven Kings with a 3-0 win over Wanstead due to a walk over. Our second game against Valentines was a really close affair that could've gone either way in a thrilling match, finishing with a 3-2 win to Valentines. Our goals were scored by **Akibe** and **Deivan**. Despite the result the team gave a great display of themselves and look forward to their final game against Loxford with a place in the quarter finals up for grabs!

YEAR 8 FOOTBALL



The Year 8 football team opened the season with a comfortable 4-0 victory against Loxford - their first ever at Seven Kings. Two goals from Preston in the first half, followed by a brace by **Abdul** in the second saw the team take all three points.

The second game of the season saw them lose against Valentines. After being unlucky to go in 1-0 down at half time they went on the offensive second half to try and get back into the game but some late goals saw us defeated.

The Year 8 team have one more game against Wanstead to try and secure progression to the quarterfinals of the Redbridge Cup.

Thanks also to **Yahya Raja** in Year 13 who has been out at training and the matches since the start of term.

YEAR 9 FOOTBALL

The year 9s have always been committed to football and this year is no different. We had a gritty start to the year, losing 3-0 to Valentines, who had a strong team with some good talent. We lacked both the fitness and the determination to compete in the game, ending it with a drive to improve our performance in the next game. Our second game saw a great improvement in performance, unfortunately the same can't be said for the result. After a strong start to the game dominating play we went into half time 0-0 wondering how we hadn't scored, once again our fitness drew short again, although we showed good technical ability in moments, Wanstead ran away 3-0 winners. Despite a frustrating start to the year, the year 9 team made amends by beating Loxford 3-2 in their final group match. **Ange** kept his nerve and converted the decisive penalty with the last kick of the game to secure an emphatic victory!

YEAR 10 FOOTBALL

After being narrowly knocked out of the Essex cup to Harris Rainham 3-2 and drawing with Wanstead 4-4 in the Redbridge league, the year 10s were determined to make amends in their forthcoming matches. And so they did! Congratulations to the players on their fantastic 8-2 victory against Valentines and emphatic 4-1 win against Loxford School! In both games they played incredible football and showcased their outstanding sportsmanship.

Securing such dominant wins is a testament to the hard work they have been putting in at training. These students have displayed great teamwork and coordination to score so many goals and achieve such convincing victories. It's always rewarding to see their efforts pay off.

The year 10 football team have now topped their group table and look forward to their opponents in the Redbridge quarter finals.

Well done to the team and everyone involved.



YEAR 11 FOOTBALL

The year 11 football team has shown incredible determination and resilience in the face of two challenging games. We have unfortunately lost both of them, however the students are always there and willing to try their hardest. Special mention to **Adam Cooper** who has been excellent in goal this year, making many saves and always being a positive outlook for the team.

SIXTH FORM FOOTBALL

After a number of competitive and well attended training sessions, the 6th Form team played their first two matches of the season. In their first match against a tough Palmer Academy team, 7K came out as 1-0 winners after a solid team display and fantastic finish by striker Emmanuel. They faced Oaks Park in the last 16 of the Redbridge Cup. Despite dominating large parts of the game and hitting the woodwork twice, some poor defending cost the 6th form team and allowed Oaks Park to progress to the quarter finals. Result 0-3.

GIRLS FOOTBALL

The girls football club has kicked off this half term with some training and some great numbers in attendance. The girls have been keen and getting ready for the upcoming season. We have entered into the Redbridge Girls football league which is starting after the October half term, so I will be reporting back some results in our next newsletter!

NETBALL

A great start to the year with lots of students attending the netball clubs, as we start to prepare for our first fixtures after half term. Teams will be selected over the course of the next couple of weeks for the initial games. Good luck!

CROSS COUNTRY

13 Seven Kings students took on the best of the borough at the Redbridge District Cross Country Championships on a wet and grey day at Fairlop Waters.

Students were selected from attendees at the popular Running Club which is held every Thursday morning. Although the opposition was tough, our students demonstrated confidence, determination and resilience to all complete their races. The girls stole the show with 3 top 20 finishes - our best position on the day was Shanelle is Year 7 who came 14th in her race.



Spare room feeling a little empty?

Do you miss conversations after school around the dinner table? Miss helping with homework and seeing that lightbulb moment when they understand something they have been struggling with? And although you repeated yourself hundreds of times to tidy things away, are you now, ever so slightly, missing the mess?

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Dates For Your Diary

October

- 30th—Return to school
- 31st—Year 10 Curriculum Evening



November

- 1st— Awards Evening
 - Year 12 Physics in Action trip
 - Year 7 & 8 Girls Football at Frenford
- 2nd—Year 13 Wise Up Presentation
 - Year 12 Maths exam (after school)
- 6th— Year 7 & 8 Netball at Ursuline
- 8th— Year 10 Netball vs Loxford
 - Year 9/10/11 Girls Football at Frenford
 - Year 13 Parents/Carers UCAS/Finance talk
- 9th— Panathlon Games
 - Year 12 Wise Up Presentation
- 15th—Year 7 & 8 Girls Football st Frenford
 - Year 11 Netball at Ursuline
- 16th—Year 13 Student Learning Conversation Evening
- 20th—Year 11 RE trip to St Paul's Cathedral
- 21st—Year 8 & 9 Netball at Loxford
- 22nd—Year 11 Netball vs Loxford
 - Year 10/11 Girls Football at Frenford
- 23rd— Year 9/10/11 Music visit to Royal Festival Hall
- 24th— **INSET—School Closed**
- 27th— Year 10 & 11—Netball at Valentines
- 29th— Year 7 & 8 Girls Football at Frenford
- 30th— Winter Music Concert

December

- 1st— Year 13 RE trip to Bloombury Baptist Church
- 4th-19th—GCSE & Year 13 Mocks start
 - Year 9 & 10 Netball at Wanstead
- 5th— Year 8 Netball at Wanstead
- 6th— Year 9/10/11 Girls Football at Frenford
- 7th— Year 7 Pantomime trip to Kenneth More Theatre
- 11th—Year 8 & 9 Netball at Valentines
- 12th—Year 7 Netball at Loxford
- 13th—Year 7 & 8 Girls Football at Frenford
- 20th—End of term

World Mental Health Day



This World Mental Health Day, 10th October, ITV's Britain Get Talking and YoungMinds' #HelloYellow have collaborated to help children across the country to open up.

Together with teachers and a clinical psychologist, they've created a piece of homework like no other. A conversation starter for children, designed to help them talk about the hardest subjects on their minds with their parents or trusted adults. Because sharing worries can help **ease stress and reduce anxiety** as **no young person should feel alone with their mental health**. But together, we've got this!

Thank you for supporting our young people this World Mental Health Day and beyond,
Mrs Rosenthal

Diabetes UK



Zayn Rahman 8.1 completed a 10 mile walk to raise awareness and funds for Diabetes UK. Although, overall he ended up walking 21KM.

If you want to donate you can use the link below;

<https://diabetes.enthuse.com/pf/nasima-rahman>

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ADANNA Women's Support Group. ADANNA Women's support Group (AWSG) is a non-profit organisation situated in East London (Redbridge, covering Barking & Dagenham and Newham). Our aim is to empower women and girls by helping build their self-confidence. We do so by helping them overcome any issues they may be facing such as relationship issues, domestic violence, debt, unemployment, loneliness and isolation, challenges bringing up their children, etc.

We provide support to women for any issues they may be facing. An approach we have taken is by running free courses to allow women to gain qualifications to get into different fields such as Entry Level Digital Skills and/or Employability Level 1, then moving onto Child Care Level 1, Teaching Assistant Level 1 and/or Business Administration Level 1. I have attached a copy of the flyer. Please ignore the dates mentioned within the flyer.

Another approach we have taken to provide support for women is befriending. Befriending allows us to support women who are going through social isolation.

Social isolation is an issue faced by many women, having a befriending service can allow women to talk to someone to reduce their isolation and feel a connection to their communities.

We are in the process of recruiting women volunteers as befrienders. This would be an opportunity to allow women to gain volunteering experience

as well as be able to support and help women within their own communities.

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