



# King's Academy College Park – Newsletter (14.1.22)



## HAPPY NEW YEAR

I would like to wish you all a Happy New Year. It has been great start to the new term and new year. The children have settled quickly and are enjoying being back in school. A highlight of my day is when I am on the gate in the morning meeting and greeting the children. The smiles and 'Good Mornings' that I receive always starts my day on a positive note.

COVID is still with us unfortunately which is impacting on attendance. We are working hard to ensure consistency for classes in the case of staff absence. At times this is proving to be VERY challenging. We are following all Government guidance in order to keep the school community safe.

Communication is the key to everything so I hope the newsletter is proving to be successful when sharing information with you. From the newsletter this week there is a lot to share.



### Diary Dates

- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January:** Fiennes Class Swimming
- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January:** Canine Partners in Year 1
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January:** Year 5 trip to The Mary Rose Museum

### Upcoming Dates

- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February:** NSPCC Number Day
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February:** INSET Day – School Closed
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March:** World Book Day
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March:** Parents Evening
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March:** Parents Evening

We would like to remind parents about our start times across the schools:

	Infant School	Junior School
School gates open at	8.30am	8.30am
Doors open at	8.45am	8.40am
Doors and gates close	9.00am	8.50am
Any children arriving after this time will need to enter via the main school office on Crofton Road and will be marked as late.		
Registers close	9.10am	9.05am
Any pupils arriving after this time will be given an unauthorised absence mark.		

Although COVID-19 is still having an impact on attendance, many absence marks could be avoided by ensuring your child arrives at school at the correct time. If a child arrives after the registers close, they will get an unauthorised absence mark for the morning session. We will also begin contacting parents whose child has attendance less than 95%.

We will be celebrating good and improved attendance in school on a weekly basis.





Please wear a face mask when coming into the school building.

### Year 2 Trips



Year 2 had a wonderful time at Stubbington last week on their residential! Children that did not attend the residential visited Queen Elizabeth Country Park. Here are some photos from the trip.



### Billie's Beach Clean

Billie in Year 5 has been working with the Final Straw foundation on environmental matters. She successfully organised a beach clean on Eastney Beach during the Christmas holidays. It was great to see staff and students turn up to help, as well as local MP Stephen Morgan.



### Year 1 Reminder

We would like visits from anyone who has a job in the NHS, Paramedic, Firefighter, Police etc as part of our To The Rescue topic. We can be flexible with times and dates.



### Year 4 Reminder

It is so important your child uses TTRS regularly, as the MTC will be in June. The Soundcheck option mimics the format used, as does

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>





### In need of School Uniform?

Hive Portsmouth have lots of our school jumpers and other uniform items available for free their Uniform Share Store. You can order via their online form [here](#).



### Please ensure your contact details are up to date.

If you need to notify the school your new details, please contact the office via Studybugs or email us at [contact.cp@kingsacademies.uk](mailto:contact.cp@kingsacademies.uk)



### Road Safety-Dropping Off in the Mornings

Many parents have voiced a concern about how dangerous Crofton Road has become at the start of the school day.

There are parents stopping in the middle of the road, dropping off children. This is causing congestion and making it very difficult for parents crossing with young children in buggies. On occasions, cars are being parked across the dropped curb at the main gates leading into the infant playground. This is incredibly dangerous and we ask that you park in the appropriate place to ensure that all members of the school community are safe.



As always, I would like to thank you for your continued support. Take care and stay safe.

Best wishes

**Mrs Carlyle**