



Dear King's Oak Academy Lower School parents/carers,

We are thrilled to welcome you back this term and looking forward to new learning, new experiences and celebrations to come!

Kind regards,

Miss Cerepanova

Term 3 Open Door Day

Open Door Day is back!

When? Friday 3 March at 8.30am - 8.50am

What? At the end of our exciting week, we will once again love to welcome you into our learning spaces to explore learning we have engaged in throughout the week. On this occasion, you will also have an opportunity to explore a range of story books alongside your child, available within the classroom.

How? Please enter via the gate as usual. Classroom doors will open at 8.30 and you will be invited to come in. Please then exit via the school office by 8.50.

Important Upcoming Dates:

Date	Event
Wednesday 1 March	World Book Day
Friday 3 March 08:30-08:50	Open Door Day
Monday 27 February – Friday 3 March	World Book Week
Monday 13 – Friday 17 March	Travelling Book Fair
Monday 13 – Friday 17 March	British Science Week
Tuesday 14 March	CLF Big Day of Maths
Thursday 23 March 15:30-19:00	Parents' and Carers' Evening
Tuesday 28 March 15:30–18.30	Parents' and Carers' Evening
Monday 27 March – Friday 31 March	KOA Enterprise Week
Friday 31 March	Last day of Term 4

Gem Power

This term we will be learning about the Amethyst Gem Power. This gem helps us think about the ability to collaborate, negotiate, and share with others. Our termly value is 'High Inclusion'. This term, we will also be discussing and exploring 'Mutual Respect of those of different faiths and beliefs' – one of our British Values.

<p>Amethyst Power <i>The ability to collaborate and cooperate</i></p>  <p>Listening to others, including adults Share ideas, expand, solve Taking turns Planning learning with others Working collaboratively (pairs and groups) to solve the problem Negotiating and agreeing</p>

Travelling Book Fair

We are very excited for Scholastic Book Fair to visit us from Monday 10 March to Friday 17 March! Each child will receive a World Book Day voucher which they will be able to use at the fair. We will have 3 cases with books ranging for ages 3+, 7+ and 9+. The fair will be held after school daily between the above dates in the Year 1 intervention space. Further information to follow.

World Book Day

This year, we will mark World Book Day on **Wednesday 1 March** and we hope you will join us as we come together to celebrate in school. Please refer back to the letter sent before the half term for a full range of information on both the day itself and our **World Book Week** offer this year.



PJ Story Night on Tuesday 28 February

On Tuesday 28 we will be inviting children back to school for a story and hot chocolate with their year group friends and teachers. The session will run from 4:00—4:45pm and we will share a range of favourite stories and book characters. Please complete the following form to indicate your child's attendance.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Cg5XnZxM1c>

Reception Books and Biscuits

On Mondays and Thursdays, we invite you to come and read with your child and have a biscuit! After the children have been dismissed, you are invited to come back into the Reception classroom to read your child's home reading book. This is especially helpful for reluctant readers and if you struggle to find time fitting it in. This has been successful last year and is continued in Year 1.

Parents' and Carers' Evening Term 4

This term, we will be holding a second round of our parent/carer consultations. This will be another opportunity to discuss your children's learning, academic progress and wellbeing in school. The booking system will be open on Tuesday 28 February, and you will be able to select a 10 minute slot on one of these days:

Thursday 23 March 15:30 – 19:00

Tuesday 28 March 15:30 – 18.30

PJ Story Night for Siblings aged 0-4 Years

During PJ Story night we are inviting younger siblings (with their adults) to come and join us in the Oak room to read, hear and tell some stories and even play some musical instruments.

There are limited spaces available so please fill in the form to express interest.



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Reception Wednesday Welly Walk

We have been incredibly excited and fortunate to complete our first Wednesday Welly Walk of the year! Reception learners had an opportunity to show their curiosity, explore their surroundings, establish, or reaffirm their sense of place and simply enjoy the fresh air and our lovely local environment.



Dynamos Cricket (for Y4 and up)

Gloucestershire Cricket Foundation are offering pupils aged 8 – 11 an exciting after school club during the summer terms. All information including dates, times and how to book can be found here- [ClubSpark / Dynamos / Course](#) . Please note, the maximum number of children for this programme is 24, it will be first come, first served.

How was your day?

Often when we ask our children 'How was your day?', the response will be 'It was good,' or 'I can't remember,' which doesn't give us much information. The prompts provided below, from the Institute of Child Psychology, may be so much more helpful in having those after school discussions with your children. Give these a go!

How would you rate your day from one to ten? Why?

Who made you laugh today?

Which lesson did you enjoy most today?

What are you proud of today?

What did you find hard today?

Did you talk to your teacher today? What did you say?

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**MAKE A PAPER PLATE MASK
SHOWING YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK
CHARACTER**



Bring your completed masks back to school by 3rd March. Make sure you include your name and year. The most original design from each year group will win a prize.



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