



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

What a busy term it has been! Lower School children have had ample opportunity to use their Amethyst Gem Power throughout the term by collaborating and planning learning together in science during the British Science Week, working in teams and pairs to attempt maths problems during the CLF Big Day of Maths and taking turns and listening to our peers in 'I am a Citizen' lessons.

Kind regards,

Miss Cerepanova



## Important Upcoming Dates:

Date	Event
Thursday 23 March 15:30 – 19:00	Parents' and Carers' evening dates
Tuesday 28 March 15:30 – 18.30	
Monday 27 March – Friday 31 March	KOA Enterprise Week
Friday 31 March	Last day of Term 4
Monday 17 April	First Day of Term 5 Dogs Trust Assembly and Workshop YR,1,2&3
Tuesday 18 April	Dogs Trust Workshop Y4,5&6
Wednesday 19 April	PTA - Easter Disco
Thursday 20 April – Thursday 25 May	Y4 Swimming Lessons
Friday 28 April	Open Door Day PTA – Family Quiz Night
Wednesday 3 May	Class Photos' YR-Y6

## School Opening Times

Thank you for supporting the academy with adjusted opening times during the period of National and Regional Industrial Action. We appreciate your patience, kindness and flexibility during this time of national dispute and disruption.

Below, you will find our typical opening times:

### **Before school:**

Gates open	8.20
Classroom doors open	8.30
Gates locked	8.40

### **After school:**

Gates open	2.50
Classroom doors open	3.00
Gates locked	3.10

## Easter Holiday Club

Teddy Bear's are offering a Holiday club throughout the Easter break. They are open 8.30am-4:00pm on:

Monday 3 April  
Thursday 6 April  
Thursday 13 April

A full day session costs £28, shorter sessions can be booked at varying prices. Please email [teddybearschildcare@virginmedia.com](mailto:teddybearschildcare@virginmedia.com) for more information.

## I am a Citizen

At King's Oak Academy, our learners have an opportunity to explore a 'No Outsiders' book every term as part of our 'I am a Citizen' curriculum and Personal Development offer.

'No Outsiders' books encourage children to explore identities, focus on diversity and embrace difference, prepare children for a life where diversity is embraced and all are included.

Each term, children will engage in a high-quality discussion where they will ask and answer a range of questions based on their termly text. This term's texts are below:



## Comic Relief

Last Friday, King's Oak Academy Lower School children came to school in their most Funky Footwear! I'd like to use this opportunity to thank all children and families who brought in donations for Comic Relief or the KOA Care Bank.



## British Science Week

Lower School children have had a fantastic time marking this week and have worked as scientists and used their investigation, observation and questioning skills. Some of our children were able to get more familiar with the facilities and science specialist on our Upper School site, conducting scientific work to explore the topics of Animals, Insects and Electricity.



## King's Oak Academy's production of Matilda

The Performing Arts department were incredibly proud to present their production of Matilda this week. Older students across the academy have worked tirelessly and have demonstrated tremendous dedication to putting this fabulous show together, alongside a group of enthusiastic and supportive KOA staff. Lower School children had a wonderful opportunity to watch the final rehearsals of the show this week. We were all so impressed with the enthusiasm and confidence with which all students involved in the show have performed and are looking forwards to future shows!





## The CLF Big Bake

The fiercely competitive annual CLF Big Bake is the exciting annual baking battle for CLF students and pupils, in which secondary and primary academy teams prove their prowess and are crowned the CLF's best bakers.

This year, King's Oak Academy were able to put forward three representatives, one from each school, who showcased their bakes and made our Academy immensely proud while demonstrating our values of Work Hard, Be Kind.

Testing the bakers' creative flair and technical ability, each baker had to present their 'environment' themed cupcakes and compete in a live technical challenge. It was a fantastic afternoon and an opportunity for our children to be part of our Cabot Learning Federation family.



## Kingswood Museum Visit Year 1

Year 1 were lucky to have Kingswood Heritage Museum visit to support us with our learning as Historians this term. We explored workplace tools, household items and toys and thought about what they might have been used for in the past. We also compared firefighters' helmets and fashionable hats over the last century to help us identify similarities and differences. We would like to thank Kingswood Heritage Museum and its dedicated volunteer team for this wonderful curriculum enrichment opportunity.



## Reading at Home

Thank you for your continued support with home reading. Here are some of our latest lucky Term 4 Reading Raffle winners who have been reading at least four times a week!



## KING'S OAK ACADEMY **READING AT HOME**

Thank you for reading 4 times at home.

If you haven't managed it this week, please keep persevering with it.

Let us know if there is anything that we can do to support and your child to read at home.

Thank you,  
The Lower School Team



## Handball Enrichment

We have been very fortunate in being able to access additional PE and Sports enrichment sessions every term this year.

This term, we really enjoyed our Handball Enrichment Day where we used our Amethyst Power, working in a team to develop our Handball skills.

We'd like to thank Miss Southcott for organising these sessions to support our pupils in exploring new sports, practising their collaboration and coordination skills whilst showing resilience, sportsmanship and problem-solving skills.



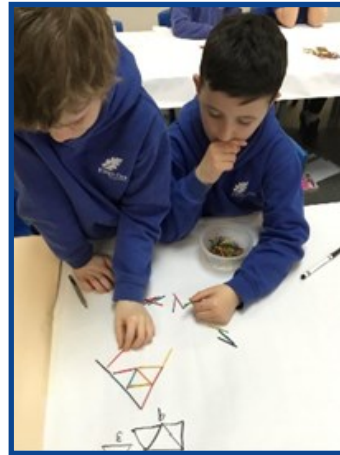
## Mr Tanner's Geography Enrichment visit



## The CLF Big Day of Maths

On Tuesday 14 March, pupils across the Cabot Learning Federation, both secondary and primary, collaborated to explore geometry using the habits of mind that they use when being a mathematician.

Over in the Lower School, our children reasoned about pattern and used their conjecturing, convincing, expressing and generalising skills. Our children had an opportunity to engage in investigative activities, explore pattern and talk about maths. In particular, the Big Day of Maths was about enjoyment and engagement, developing a positive attitude, working collaboratively and valuing each other's ideas.



## Enterprise and Employability Skills

During the week Monday 27 March – Friday 31 March we are delighted to hold our first all-through Enterprise Week. Throughout the week, to raise children’s awareness and understanding of the world of work and business enterprise, there will be a variety of activities that children across the Academy will be able to participate in.

To launch the week, on the afternoon of Monday 27 March, we are hosting a dedicated Enterprise and Careers afternoon with the theme of ‘*Enterprise in Action*’. Lower School pupils will have an opportunity to learn about different careers and roles in the world of work, explore aspirations, dreams and goals and design and market a product that will be available for sale after school on select days from 3.05pm – 3.15pm after class teachers have dismissed the children.

## Lower School Clubs

Sporting Chance Clubs

Lower School	Year Group	Activity	Location	Time	Staff
Monday	R-2	Superstar Multisports	KS2 play-ground	3:00 – 4:00	Sporting Chance After School Clubs
Tuesday	3-6	Football	KS2 play-ground	3:10 – 4:10	
Wednesday	1-2	Football	KS2 play-ground	3:00 – 4:00	
Thursday	3-6	Strike & Field Sports	KS2 play-ground	3:10 – 4:10	
Friday	1-3	Mini Olympics	LS Hall	3:00 – 4:00	

Other Clubs

Lower School	Year Group	Activity	Location	Time	Staff
Monday	2-4	Choir	LS site	3.00 – 4.00	Miss Palmer-Turk
Wednesday	R-6	Drama	The Hex	3.10 – 4.10	The Sports Project
Daily	R-6	After-school club (Teddy Bears)	LS site	7.30 – 5.45	Teddy Bears provision team

During the week Monday 27 March – Friday 31 March, Reception – Year 4 class stalls will be set up outside classrooms on the following days after school:

**Wednesday:** Reception  
**Thursday:** Year 1 & Year 4  
**Friday:** Year 3 & Year 2

All funds raised from the mini businesses will go towards the 2022-23 minibus fundraising project.

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# FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT

Do you have what it takes to be the ultimate quiz champion? Then, gather your friends and join us for Quiz Night in the Hexagon. This is your chance to show off your knowledge and have fun in a friendly competition.

**Friday 28th April**  
**7pm**

The Hexagon, Kings Oak Academy, Brook Road, Kingswood BS15 4JT

**£25 PER TEAM OF UP TO 8 PEOPLE**

**ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE NIGHT WILL GO TOWARDS THE MINIBUS FUND**

Tickets must be pre-booked. No tickets will be available on the door. There is limited capacity so book now to avoid disappointment.

<https://sites.google.com/view/friendsofkingsoakbristol>



Please note: Children are welcome but there will be no child care facilities. Parents and carers are responsible for their own children.





FRIENDS OF KING'S OAK

# Important Dates for your diary

EASTER DISCOS RECEPTION-YEAR 8  
WEDNESDAY 19TH APRIL

FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT  
FRIDAY 28TH APRIL

TICKETS ON SALE SOON



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# EASTER DISCO

**WEDNESDAY 19TH APRIL**

**REC-YR 2: 4.15-5PM**

**YR 3-6: 5.30-6.30PM**

**YR 7&8: 7-8PM**

**IN THE NEW CANTEEN**

**£2.50 ENTRY PAYABLE ON THE DOOR OR SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO BOOK ONLINE.**

**CARD & CASH ACCEPTED.**

**TUCK SHOP AVAILABLE INSIDE.**

**PLEASE ARRIVE 15 MINS BEFORE YOUR ALLOTTED TIME TO ALLOW FOR CHECKING IN. ALL CHILDREN UP TO YEAR 6 MUST BE COLLECTED BY AN ADULT.**

**PARENTS ARE INVITED TO STAY WITH REC, YR 1 & 2 CHILDREN.**

