King's Oak Academy: Lower School Newsletter

Work Hard Be Kind

18 November 2022



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



We are very fortunate to have had an exciting term of joyfilled learning, enrichment and sporting opportunities already!

Kind regards,

Miss Cerepanova

Term 2 Open Door

When? Friday 2 December at 8.30am - 8.50am

What? This will be an exciting opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom from 8.30-8.50 to look at your child's recent learning and explore it alongside them. You can visit more than one classroom during that slot.

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	
Monday 21 November	Progressive Sports for YR,1,2&3
Tuesday 22 November	Progressive Sports for Y4,5&6
Monday 5 December	Christmas card post box open in school
Wednesday 7 December	Lower School Concert/ Nativity
Thursday 8 December	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 9 December	Lower School Concert/ Nativity
Wednesday 14 December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 16 December	End of Term
Wednesday 4 January	First Day for Term 3

Remembrance Day Updates

On 11 November, students and staff fell silent at 11am in memory of all soldiers who gave their lives in service to their country since WW1. Before the academy fell silent, teachers discussed the importance and history of Armistice Day and what the poppy represents. Some of our Pupil Council members were even able to represent our school at a very special memorial service and laid a wreath on behalf of the academy. Lower School pupils worked alongside their CREW leaders and teachers to create a path display at the front of our school, for all visitors to enjoy.







Christmas Jumper Day

This year, on Thursday 8 December, millions of people up and down the country will come together — at their workplace, school or with friends — to make the world better with a sweater. King's Oak Academy will be participating in the annual Christmas Jumper Day to raise money for Save the Children. Further whole-school communication will follow.



Book Raffle

Thank you for continuing to prioritise daily reading as part of our home learning package. As you know, we were really fortunate to have received a new set of picture books, chapter books and non-fiction books for our pupils to enjoy in school and perhaps even take home as part of our Reading Raffle celebration. Here are our latest lucky winners from across the school:







Anti-Bullying Alliance

This week we were working with the Anti-Bullying Alliance as part of the national campaign of #AntiBullyingWeek. Students across the academy had a special assembly with special guests — Mr Wilkinson and Miss Side to raise awareness of the importance of speaking out over concerns of unkind behaviour.



Christmas Lunch



This year, we have decided to offer an 'Opt Out' service for our Christmas Dinner which will be held on Wednesday 14 December.

We will assume all children who do not 'Opt Out' will want a Christmas Dinner unless specified.

A limited menu will be on offer, please see below for the options on the day:

Glazed Roast Turkey, Sticky Pigs in Blankets with Onion and Sage Stuffing

Halal Glazed Turkey with Onion and Sage Stuffing

Quorn Roast with Onion and Sage Stuffing Cheese Sandwich on White Bread Cheese Sandwich on Brown Bread Ham Sandwich on White Bread Ham Sandwich on Brown Bread

Alternatively, if your child wouldn't like any of the above, please provide your child with a homemade packed lunch.

Please complete the form below to confirm your child's Christmas Dinner choice.

https://forms.office.com/r/mif7GP6Dq3

FRIENDS OF KING'S OAK Decorate a Bauble

competition

THIS YEAR WE ARE HOLDING A COMPETITION FOR THE BEST AND MOST ORIGINALLY DECORATED BAUBLES.

THE COMPETITION IS OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS FROM RECEPTION TO YEAR 11.

WOODEN BAUBLES CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE FRIENDS FOR JUST 50P EACH. ONE BAUBLE PER CHILD. CASH PAYMENTS CAN BE HANDED TO TEACHERS IN A NAMED ENVELOPE OR ONLINE PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE TO THE FRIENDS BANK ACCOUNT:

FRIENDS OF KING'S OAK
ACC NO:17667925 SORT CODE:52-10-48
USING THE REFERENCE FORMAT 'YEAR CLASS NAME' EG. Y1WJONES

BAUBLES WILL BE HANDED OUT AT SCHOOL ON 21ST NOV READY TO DECORATE AT HOME. THEY MUST BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL BY 30TH NOV TO BE INCLUDED IN THE COMPETITION. DECORATED BAUBLES WILL BE DISPLAYED ON THE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS TREES.

AT THE END OF TERM ONE WINNER PER YEAR GROUP WILL RECEIVE A PRIZE AND THEN ALL BAUBLES CAN BE TAKEN HOME.





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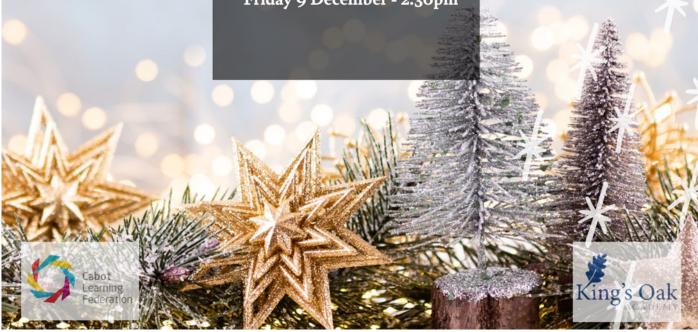
CHRISTMAS CAROLS

All money
raised through
ticket donations
will be going
towards a new
Mini-Bus for
the Academy

Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity Wednesday 7 December - 9.15am Friday 9 December - 9.15am



Year 3 & 4 - Christmas Carols Wednesday 7 December - 2.30pm Friday 9 December - 2.30pm Mince Pies and refreshments available to buy from the Friends of King's Oak Academy







RE: FREE PLACES for families CHRISTMAS 2022

Dear parents / carers,

We have a fantastic opportunity for you this coming CHRISTMAS holidays as part of the HAF programme Sporting Chance are running Holiday Sports Camps from St Stephens Junior School.

The HAF programme was designed and implemented on a national scale to help support families over the school holidays with the cost of meals and to provide a healthy, happy, and active place for children to enjoy the school holidays. Sporting Chance have teamed up with South Gloucestershire Council to offer this to those local families most in need.

Children aged 5-11 years (Yr 1 - 6)

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Themed Sports Days

Healthy snacks and lunches available upon request

Book online sportingchance-csp.co.uk/events using code

'HAFSSJ22' at checkout to zero your cost

*benefits related FSMs, SEND, looked after children, PP cases considered.

Kindest regards,

Spencer Davies

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