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Assistant Principal
Head of Middle School

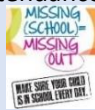
Dear King's Oak Middle School Families,

Thank you to so many of you for engaging in the recent parent meetings: we were excited to share further information regarding Year 6 and Year 8 camps over the last couple of weeks (slides attached for those who were unable to attend); enjoyed sharing our children's progress in Year 7 and Year 8 parent evenings and welcomed current families, as well as families who will be joining us in September in the SEND information evening last week. If you have any questions about any of the above, please get in contact with the Middle School office, who will be able to support.

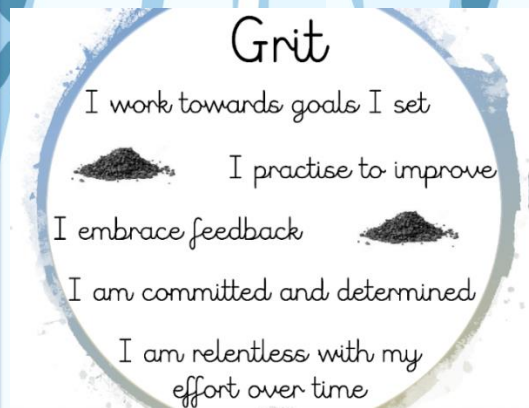
Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support. Mrs Watts

Attendance Update:

Just a reminder that expectations for school attendance is a **minimum of 95%**. Attendance lower than this results in significant gaps in learning.

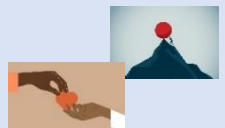


Apollo enjoyed sharing last week with **7.4!** This week, he has moved onto **Ash Class**, who achieved exceptionally strong attendance last week 😊 Apollo has visited one of the children's homes over the Bank Holiday weekend so we look forward to seeing a few photos of what he got up to on his trip!



Middle School Values Focus: March

KOA Value
Work Hard
Be Kind



Learning Power
Grit (Practice)



Value shared
Mutual Respect
and Tolerance



Transition

Year 4 into Year 5 (Welcome to Middle School!):

- Throughout this term, key adults from Middle School are beginning to spend more time in Lower School to find out about our Year 4 children and to become a trusted, familiar face for them.
- Towards the end of this term, a letter with more detailed information about Year 4 transition will be shared; there will also be a coffee afternoon for parents/carers and children to explore the Middle School site, meet key staff and ask any questions.
- Throughout Term 6, Year 4 children will have the amazing opportunity to take part in weekly forest school sessions on Monday afternoons; this will enable them to spend more time getting used to the site, getting to know more staff and having input into their environment. Year 4 children will also spend some time with the current Year 5s to re-connect and build our community.

Year 5 into Year 6; Year 7 into Year 8:

- Staff are finalised towards the beginning of Term 6, following teacher's notice period closing at the end of May half-term holiday. Following this, tutor / class teacher information will be shared with you and your children.
- King's Oak Transition Day will take place on **Wednesday 3 July** this year.
- A letter will be shared in June, with further information about current Year 5 and Year 7 transition. In the meantime, please feel free to ask Miss Hibbert, Miss Southcott or Mr Nathan any questions about this.

Year 6 into Year 7:

- All transition information was shared during Term 4, with offer letters.
- Please speak to Hannah Pearch, Hannah Briden, Zoe Side or Emma Watts if you have any questions.
- For SEND-related enquiries, please speak with Hannah Pearch in the first instance.
- Thank you to everyone who attended coffee afternoon and/or the SEND meeting last week. Once again, it was a pleasure to see friendships continuing to form between our new Year 7s from KOA and beyond; we look forward to the next opportunity for this.

Year 8 into Year 9 (Welcome to Upper School!):

- The handover between Heads of Year and Heads of School has now begun, and it was a pleasure to see many families connecting (or reconnecting!) with Mrs Holtby – your new Head of Year - during parents' evening last week. During Term 6, Mrs Holtby will be spending more time getting to know children and families.
- Mr Marshall (Head of Upper School) will be in touch at the beginning of Term 6 with further information about transition opportunities for our new Year 9s!

Middle School Dates for the Diary – TERM 5

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| 30 April | U14 Girls Football Gloucestershire School Quarter Final |
| 6 May | Bank Holiday |
| 9 May | KOA Coffee Morning for all Year Groups - Reception to Year 11 – in the Lower School Hall |
| 10 May | CLF Big Parliament |
| 13-16 May | Year 6 Assessments: KS2 SATs |
| 13 May | Progressive sports enrichment Y5 |
| 14 May | Year 7 & 8 CLF Athletics |
| 20 May | Progressive sports enrichment Y6 |
| 21 May | CLF Minibus Athletes |
| 24 May | U13 Girls' National Cup Final |
| 24 May | Last Day of Term 5 |
| Dates currently being finalised: | Welcome to Middle School: New Year 4 Coffee Afternoon Year 7 - Road Safety Part 3 – Peer Influence - Date TBC Year 8 - Road Safety Part 3 – Peer Influence - Date TBC |

TERM 6

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| Term 6 | Welcome to Middle School: Year 4 Weekly Transition Activity (Forest School) begins |
| 3 June | Start of Term 6 |
| 3 June – 21 June | Year 7/8 Assessment Window |
| 5 June | Y6 Exhibition for World Environment Day |
| 19 June | CLF Big Parliament Live |
| 21/25 June | CLF Festival of Sport Y5-Y8 TBC |
| 24 June – 5 June | Year 5 Assessment Window |
| 27 June | Reception - Y6 Sports Day |
| 1 July | Year 7 2024/25 Welcome Evening 16:00 until 17:30 |
| 2 July (tbc) | Secondary Phase (Years 7-11) Sports Day |
| 2 July – 4 July | North Somerset transition days for Y7 intake |
| 3 July | KOA Step-Up Day (Reception to Year 9) Bristol city-wide transition day for Y7 intake |
| 5 July | Inset Day |
| 5 July | CLF Big Arts Festival |
| 8 July – 12 July | Year 6 Camp: PGL Liddington |
| 10 July | CLF Big Battle of the Bands |
| 15 July – 17 July | Year 8 Camp: Woodhouse |
| 17 July | CLF Big Dance (Times TBC) |
| 22 July | Summer Concert |
| 23 July | Last Day of Academic Year 2023-2024 |
| 24 July – 26 July | Year 7 2024/25 Summer of Fun (Transition 'Week') |

Dates currently being finalised:

Welcome to Middle School: Year 4 Parents' Meeting;
South Gloucestershire transition day for Y7 intake (tbc);
Middle School reports sent home;
Year 5 Camp Meeting

Extra-Curricular Opportunities: Term 5

Lunchtime Clubs

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| Daily | Y5 - Y6 | Lego / Reading / Drawing - LRC - Miss Cox |
| Monday | Y7 - Y11 | Gardening Club - Greenhouse - Miss Miller-Webb |
| Tuesday | Y7 - Y8 | Homework Club - C18 - Miss Peach |
| Wednesday | Y7 - Y8 | Homework Club - C18 - Miss Peach |
| Thursday | Y7 - Y8 | Chess and Card Club – C14 – Mr A Blake |



After School Clubs

| MIDDLE SCHOOL | Year Group | Activity | Location | Time | Staff |
|---------------------|-------------------|--|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|
| After school | | | | | |
| Monday | Y7 - 8 | Maths Homework Club | C18 | 15:20 - 16:10 | ABE |
| | Y5 - 6 | KS2 Multi Sports | Lower School | 15:10 – 16:10 | Progressive Sports |
| | Y7-8 | KS2 Girls Football | Astro | | AST |
| | Y7-8 | Keyboard Club | Music | 15:20 – 16:00 | TWN |
| | Y7 – 8 | Drama Club | DA1 | 15:25 – 16:15 | JML/GDT |
| Tuesday | Y7 - 8 | Fitness | Gym 2 | 15:15 – 16:10 | JCK |
| | | Rounders | Field | | AJS/RHD |
| | Year Group | Activity | Location | Time | Staff |
| Tuesday | Y5 - 6 | Gymnastics | Lower School | 15:10 – 16:10 | Sporting Chance |
| | Y7-8 | Cricket | Field | 15:15 – 16:15 | DJN/SGR |
| Wednesday | Year Group | Activity | Location | Time | Staff |
| | Y7 – 8 | Homework Club | C18 | 13:10 – 13:45 | HPH |
| Thursday | Year Group | Activity | Location | Time | Staff |
| | Y5 - 8 | Homework Support Club | C18 | 15:10 – 16:10 | HPH |
| | Y7 - 8 | Maths Homework Support Club | C18 | 15:10 – 16:10 | ABE |
| | Y6 - 8 | Art Club | E22 | 15:10 – 16:00 | KSH/ELW |
| | Y5 - 6 | Football | Lower School | 15:10 – 16:10 | Sporting Chance |
| | Y7 - 8 | STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Maths) | DG2 | 15:15 – 16:10 | DTR/RRY |
| | Y7 - 8 | Music Practice time | Music | 15:20 – 16:00 | TWN |
| | Y5 - 8 | Warhammer Club | EG2 | 15:15 – 16:10 | CNN |
| | | Tennis | Courts | 15:10 – 16:10 | AWN |
| | Y7 - 8 | Girls Football | Astro | 15:15 | ESE/RHD |
| Y5 - 8 | Athletics | Field | 15:15 | DJN/ASJ/JCK | |
| Friday | Year Group | Activity | Location | Time | Staff |
| | Y5 - 6 | Football Team | KS2 Playground | 15:10 – 16:10 | Progressive Sports |
| | Y7 - 8 | Music Practice time | Music area | 15:20 – 16:00 | TWN |

All KOA-ran clubs are now bookable via the MCAS App.

Years 5 / 6: If you have any questions, please contact Miss Southcott.

Years 7 / 8: If you have any questions, please speak to the teacher leading the club.

*Sporting Chance: £4.00 per session. Bookings to be made via the website and payment via debit/ credit card / childcare vouchers or BACS. FSM places available - speak to the office for a letter

Key Reminders and Updates

Middle School Office

Just a reminder that the Middle School Office / Reception is currently operating on reduced hours and is open for children and adults to access from 08:30 – 09:15 and 14:40 – 15:20 each day. We should return to full-time opening for Term 6.

Brook Road

Just a reminder that **Brook Road is closed to all vehicles from 08:25 – 08:50 and from 15:00 – 15:20** (blue badges exempt). This means that no vehicles should enter, be moving on, or leave the road. *This is to keep our children, families, and staff safe. Please respect this road closure.* Please also ensure that when using all roads around school, you are parking respectfully (e.g. not blocking driveways).

Year 6 and Year 8 Camps

Thank you to those of you who attended meetings for **Year 6** (who are off to **PGL Liddington**) and **Year 8** (who are off to **Woodhouse Park**). The information shared during these meetings has now been sent to families. Please contact Jess Ware (jess.ware@clf.uk) with any questions.







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-  St Peter's Academy, SN14 0LL
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-  Oasis Academy Long Cross, BS11 0LP

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FENCING, CHEERLEADING, STREET HOCKEY,
ULTIMATE FRISBEE, CRICKET, MUSICAL THEATRE,
DODGEBALL, PARKOUR, TENNIS, ATHLETICS.**

**Alongside the sports coaching, we follow the needs of
the children to support with the competencies below:**

**Self-Awareness, e.g. self-efficacy, self-esteem, resilience,
self-confidence, identifying strengths and weaknesses.**

**Self-Management, e.g. independence, self-motivation,
expressing emotions appropriately,
executive functioning.**

**Social Awareness, e.g. empathy and compassion, mutual
respect, perspective-taking, conflict resolution.**

**Relationship Skills, e.g. collaborative problem-solving,
leadership, honesty, resisting negative social pressure.**

**Responsible Decision-Making, e.g. self-discipline,
reasoned judgement, problem-solving,
evaluate consequences of actions.**

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