



# KENSINGTON JUNIOR ACADEMY

*Newsletter*

## KENSINGTON IN THE COMMUNITY



January saw us kicking off the year with our very first Book Swap Cafe, inviting parents for a cozy breakfast and book exchange. Thompson Class, Johnson Class, and Bhutto Class all graced Ilkeston Library to enjoy some quiet time spent amongst the books. Their visits added a touch of tranquility to our busy school days, reminding us all of the joy that quiet time with a good book can bring. Finally, in collaboration with Changing Lives, we hosted the Family Support Network at school, offering valuable resources and support to our families.

## KEY DATES THIS TERM

**Friday 16th February** - Last Day of Term

**Monday 26th February** - Back to School

**Thursday 7th March** - World Book Day - children can come dressed as their favourite book character if they wish - further details to follow nearer the time.

**Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th March** - Parents' Evenings

**Thursday 14th March** - Easter Disco - 5pm - 6.15pm

**Friday 15th March** - Comic Relief Day - non-uniform day and activities - further details to follow nearer the time.

**Thursday 21st March** - Exhibition Day and Easter Raffle

**Friday 22nd March** - Exhibition Day and Easter Raffle

**Thursday 28th March** - Break up for Easter

**Monday 15th April** - Back to School

## READING MORNINGS

We invite all parents and carers to come and join us in school **every Wednesday morning from 08:45am until 09:05am**. Take the opportunity to share a book with your child in their classroom, fostering a love for reading together.

## BOOM READER AND READING PLUS

We kindly urge parents to record their children's home reading activities on Boom Reader (3 x a week) and encourage participation in Reading Plus at home (2 x a week). Engaging in reading activities at home significantly enhances literacy skills. If you need help getting logged on to Boom Reader or Reading Plus please contact us.



## MAGIC BREAKFAST



Magic Breakfast has now started to provide us with nutritious breakfast food to ensure children start their school day in the best possible way. Our classroom breakfasts have been a huge success so far with ALL children will be offered breakfast between 8.45am and 9am.

## SAVE THE DATE



Mark Your Calendar! Save the date for the exclusive film screening featuring the incredible productions from each year group in collaboration with Silver Screen Primary Education. Tickets will be available to collect after Easter - it's one child per adult until we determine the remaining availability.

Further information to follow nearer the time!

## SCHOOL DINNERS



Has your child tried a school dinner? Our dinners are £3.25 a day and are the perfect way to make sure your child gets a hot nutritious meal every day. Children can also choose a jacket potato or sandwich with a choice of fillings if they don't like what is on the menu that day. If you are entitled to free school meals please encourage your child to take up this option.

## ATTENDANCE

Thank-you for your support with getting children to school every day and on time. Please let us know if your child is ill and not going to be in school by phoning the office on **0115 9322920 by 9.30am**. Please try to ensure that medical/dentist appointments are made for children outside of school hours where ever possible as children leaving early disrupts the school day. We will also require evidence of medical/dental appointments or the absence may be marked as unauthorised. We are continuing to have weekly class attendance awards and end of term awards so please encourage children to be IN IT TO WIN IT!

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