

# Kensington Junior Academy

# HEADS UP

## HEAD TEACHER NEWSLETTER

**Dear Parents &**

**Carers,**

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy new year and I hope 2025 proves to be a healthy and happy one for you and your family. Children have started the new term superbly and they have slotted back into their classroom routines very well.

On Tuesday morning I spoke with all the children in our first assembly about our five learning behaviours: resilience, collaboration, discipline, imagination and curiosity. We discussed the meaning of each word and importantly how it might help and support our learning and personal development. Many of you will have been able to join us for our Friday celebration assembly where we share how specific children have demonstrated these behaviours over the week. You will have seen how proud the children are to be recognised for adopting and demonstrating these behaviours which is helping shape them as an individual.

I also spoke with them about how important the spring term is for us all. Strong working relationships will have been formed between our teaching team and pupils throughout the autumn term and they will now know the routines and expectations of them.

The spring term is very much about putting what they have been taught already into action, embracing and link really brings home the long absorbing new content and term outcomes for our children. - information, really looking to make [Reading Facts - The Reading Agency](#) some academic progress ready for assessments in the summer term.

Through a combination of the expertise of the teaching team at KJA, the willingness of the children to learn and your parental support, I am confident that every child will make progress this term. The support that many of you already give your children with regular reading opportunities and times tables practice makes a massive impact and I would urge you to continue this as much as you can. I have included a couple of links to useful sites to support you with this:

[21 Questions to Ask Your Child About a Book - Lexile](#)

[Times Tables Games for 7 to 11 year olds](#)

We are all feeling very engaged and enthusiastic about the opportunities the start of a new term gives us and are excited to get stuck in! We look forward to seeing you in school on a Wednesday morning for Reading mornings (08:45 - 09:05) and if you have a little more time to spare, are always looking for reading volunteers - (please see me for more details about this if you are interested).



As always, if you have questions or queries about your child's education, please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher or directly with me. We know that the more we can collaborate to support and develop your child's education together, the better outcomes for all.

Best regards,

Mr Oakland  
Interim Headteacher

At Kensington Junior Academy, we will ensure that our pupils are academically, socially and emotionally able 21st century citizens.

