



Dear Parents,

20th April 2018

WELCOME BACK: Welcome back! I hope that you all had a lovely Easter, despite the poor weather. I am sure, like me, that you are delighted that the sun has put in an appearance this week. It has been great to see the children outside enjoying the warmer temperatures – long may it continue. On that note please remember to send your child to school with a sun hat.

PARENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE: Thank you to all the parents who filled in and returned the parent questionnaire at the end of last term. We had the biggest response ever and we very much appreciate hearing your thoughts and feedback on the school. The results are incredibly positive and all parents agree that their children are happy, feel safe and are well looked after at the school. We had a lot of feedback regarding homework – some parents requesting more homework and some feel there is too much. As ever we will be discussing the results of the survey at our Governors' meetings over the next two weeks. If you have any specific concerns please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher in the first instance, the Head (via the school office) or the governors (email: governors@kings-meadow.oxon.sch.uk). Here is a summary of the findings; a full breakdown of the results is available on the school website.

		Strongly agree & agree	Disagree & strongly disagree	Don't know
1	My child is happy at this school	100%	0%	0%
2	My child feels safe at this school	100%	0%	0%
3	My child makes good progress at this school	99%	1%	0%
4	My child is well looked after at this school	100%	0%	0%
5	My child is taught well at this school	98%	1%	0%
6	My child receives appropriate homework for their age	89%	6%	3%
7	This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	97%	1%	2%
8	This school deals effectively with bullying	69%	2%	27%
9	This school is well led and managed	96%	2%	0%
10	This school responds well to any concerns I raise	89%	2%	9%
11	I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	98%	2%	0%
12	I would recommend this school to another parent.	Yes	No	
		99%	1%	

HOUSE WINNERS: Well done to Thames for gaining the most house points last term. Their reward is a non-uniform day next Friday 27th April 2018.

MORNING MILE: The Morning Mile will be starting again on Monday at 8.30am. Please encourage your child to join Mr Roberts on his daily run – it is a great way to start the day.

DATES FOR THE TERM: Please find attached the dates for the term. We have a very busy term ahead and it is hoped, that with this advanced warning, many of you will be able to join us at our events.

FSU NEWS: A big welcome back, it is great to have the sunshine this week, especially as the Foundation Stage children have been visiting the woodland area and pond dipping for tadpoles and frogs while we learn about the frog life cycle. The nursery children have started doing Yoga in their PE session and the Reception children have enjoyed an optician's role play area while we explore our senses. Please remember to provide your child with a sun hat and sun cream. Mrs S. Obinna FSU Coordinator

YEAR 3 PROJECT: Today saw the culmination of all the Year 3 children's hard work, when they handed in their Flat Stanley projects. It was amazing to see all the interesting places Stanley has been visiting and the adventures he has had. We have had letters back from famous people, such as David Walliams, Andy Murray, Jeff Brown and even the Queen. The children have made model hot air balloons, trains, islands and even a car workshop for Stanley to use. With Stanley they have tasted new foods such as jambalaya, bacon, cheeses from different countries and chicken tikka masala. We are astounded by the amount and quality of the work the children have produced and it will be very difficult to judge the winners. We would like to thank all the parents for your support with this project and invite you to see all the children's work on Monday 30th April at 2:45pm. Ms Rainer and Miss Greatbatch, Year 3 teachers

SPORTS NEWS: Another exciting week of Sport at King's Meadow saw the Year 4 football team and the Year 5/6 Athletics team compete in the Oxfordshire Youth Games, thanks to their amazing results in both the Bicester and North Oxfordshire qualifying events. With over 200 primary schools in Oxfordshire, the children had already done a great job just to be there.

Wednesday afternoon saw the arrival of summer and a great afternoon to spend out in the sunshine watching football. The Year 4 footballers started well with a 0-0 draw against Crowmarsh, but then came up against a very tall and very physical Tydenham who, thanks to some dubious refereeing decisions, won 5-1 to leave our team a little deflated. A few splashes of water and a snack brought a smile to the faces again and they ended the tournament with a draw and two wins thanks to some wonderful goalkeeping from Lacey and Georgia, and some great goals from Jimmy. Well done to all and thank you to Miss Fullbrook for helping and supporting.

Onto the athletics on Thursday, and a trip to the Leys Leisure Centre in Oxford. Having finished in the top 7 in Oxfordshire schools in 7 of the past 8 years, the team had a lot to live up to! The competition this year was stronger than ever with the South and West Oxfordshire teams looking tough to beat. The team competed well in all events, even though they had been placed in the strongest heats, and the determination and team work on show was a pleasure to see. Congratulations went to The Batt School for finishing as champions, but a huge round of applause went to the King's Meadow children for their fantastic 6th place. Thank you to all the children for making it such a fun morning and to Mr Laurie and Mrs Bell for their help and support. Mr S. Roberts PE Coordinator

EASTER EGG TOMBOLA AND CAFÉ: We raised £417 from the tombola and café that were held at the end of last term. This is a fantastic amount! Thank you to the PTA for organising this event and to all of you who helped by giving an Easter egg, donating cakes, participating in the tombola or by visiting the café.

GRENDON: Please remember full payment for the Year 4 Grendon trip 6th - 8th June is due by Friday 4th May.

Payment should be made by ParentPay. If you have any questions please contact the office.

MRS KNIGHTS: Unfortunately, due to ill health, Mrs Knights has been absent from school recently. I am pleased to inform you that she is getting better but we are still unclear as to when she will be back at KMS. I am sure that you all join with me in wishing her a speedy recovery.

Have a lovely weekend



Mrs L Daulton
Headteacher