

# King's Meadow School



31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

**MISS CROCKETT'S CLASS ASSEMBLY:** This morning Class 3 treated us to a fantastic assembly. They showcased work that they have been doing this term. I was particularly interested in the science experiments that they had conducted during Science Week involving chocolate – what a fun way to test the properties of materials! They also told us all about rivers and their recent trip to Henley. They showed us art work, read out stories and sang a very catchy song. Well done children and thank you to the Class 3 team for all of their hard work with the children and to the TAs who manned the coffee bar.

**DANCE COMPETITION:** On Monday Mrs Law took her Ballroom and Latin dancing team to the semi-final dance competition in Swindon. 19 schools participated and I am delighted to say that our pupils came second. They will now take part in the final in Oxford in June – Go Kings Meadow!! My thanks go to Mrs Law for teaching the children so brilliantly and for offering this opportunity to the school. I would also like to thank the parent helpers and Mrs Lloyd for accompanying the children and making such a professional job of their hair and make-up.

**READING CHAMPIONS:** On Thursday we took the Reading Champions to Pizza Express as a reward for reading the most amount of times in their class, in terms 3 and 4. The children dressed as chefs, read instructions on how to make a margarita pizza and then made their own pizzas. They also learnt about some of the ingredients that are used in pizza restaurants. We enjoyed eating our pizzas, which tasted delicious! The staff at Pizza Express commented on how polite and well behaved our children were. Mrs Ward, Literacy Co-coordinator.

**SPORTS NEWS:** The Girls team played a strong Chesterton team on Wednesday 29th March. After much improved performances, the girls showed lots of confidence going into the match. They played really well and had Chesterton worried early on with an opportunity to take the lead through a penalty, which was unfortunately saved. The girls all battled hard and conceded three late goals, resulting in a 4-0 loss. Well done to all the girls for not giving up. Thank you to Miss Golden for her support.

KMS 'C' team also played Chesterton on Wednesday 29th March 2017. KMS started strong controlling the game and creating a number of opportunities that were all brilliantly saved by the Chesterton goalkeeper. Against the run of play, Chesterton scored from a long ball over the top and soon after doubled their lead with a thunderous long-range effort. The boys battled hard in the second half and were rewarded with a goal from Josh L. Into the final few minutes, Jamie I secured the 2-2 draw for KMS. Well done to all the boys for great determination. Ian Widdows

**FSU NEWS:** The Foundation Stage children have been exploring eggs this week by finding out which animals lay eggs. They have also been weighing and estimating with chicken, duck, goose and quail eggs. There were some exciting predictions that a dragon might hatch out! There has also been some hard work involved in whisking eggs to create some tasty meringues. The Reception children's assembly focus was on traditional stories, where they acted out some key scenes for the KS1 children to guess the story. The children also showed some observational drawings of their own bears and some writing about the mischief their bears got up to in school, such as having a picnic in the staff room! The assembly was finished off with some popular songs, which got everyone tapping their feet to the Wolfie Blues. Sarah Obinna, FS Coordinator

**PARENTS' EVENINGS:** We will be holding our parents' evenings on Monday (3.30-7pm) and Tuesday (3.30-6pm). We strongly believe that education is a partnership between home and school so please come along and hear how best to support your child in his or her studies. If you have not yet made an appointment to see your child's teacher then please do so. On both evenings the governors will be running a coffee bar in the library. I look forward to seeing you all next week.

**CYCLE TESTING:** A big thank you to Mrs Walton, Mrs Fox, Mrs Attrill, Mrs Goodwin, Mrs Boughtflower and Mrs Doolan who have helped run the cycle testing this term. Around 14 children will have passed the test by the time this newsletter goes out and it is fantastic to know that pupils at KMS are riding their bikes more safely due to this training. The cycle testing sessions will take a break after Easter but will return after the May Half Term. If you think you can help at the sessions, please contact the school office.

**MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA:** On Tuesday afternoon, at 2pm in the school hall, we will be holding this term's Musical Extravaganza. This is an opportunity for the children who have music lessons to perform to an audience. It also gives us a chance to enjoy the musical talent that we have here at KMS. Please come along and join us if you can.

**AFTERNOON TEA:** On Thursday I will be hosting this term's Headteacher's Celebration Afternoon Tea for the children who have really impressed their teachers this term. I am very much looking forward to spending time with this group. Invitations will be sent out today.

**HEYFORDIAN TRAVEL – 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY & CHILDREN'S CHARITY POSTER COMPETITION:** Children are encouraged to enter this competition to celebrate Heyfordian's 70th Anniversary. Posters must include the number 70 and a coach or coaches. Entries are to be on A4 or A3 with your child's full name and age on the back. iPad minis are awarded to the winners of each category (6 and under, 7-10 and 11-14), plus the three selected posters will feature on Heyfordian's vehicles. Please return the posters to the office or to Mrs Spearman by Friday 19th May.

**END OF TERM FUN:** On Thursday we will be holding some fun events to mark the end of term:

- Easter Bonnet Parade: This will take place in the morning and prizes will be given to the best bonnet in each year group.
- Easter Egg Tombola: Thank you for the amazing amount of Easter Eggs for our tombola. This will be running after school on Thursday and it will cost £1 per ticket.
- Tea Shop: This will be in the hall after school. Any donations of cakes would be most appreciated and should be handed in on Thursday morning. I thank you in advance for your support.

**EASTER SERVICE:** Our Easter Service will take place at 9.45am (approx.) In St Edberg's Church. The service will be led by Mark Eley, School Governor. Please come along and join us at what promises to be a special occasion.

**END OF TERM:** School closes next Friday at 1.30pm and re-opens on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April. I hope that you all have a healthy and happy holiday.

I hope you have a good weekend.

Mrs L Daulton

Headteacher