

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a busy week!

Monday's assembly featured a paralympian, Liz Johnson, who spoke about hard work and dedication which really resonated with our pupils. They had the opportunity to see her medals and speak to her about her career. A wonderful opportunity for our History Makers.



On Tuesday we hosted students from Kingston University as part of our Trust Partnership; they are working on a design project for our next House trophy and we look forward to see the results.

The school is busy preparing for Open Evening on Thursday 13th October and several pupils have already been asked to be tour guides or subject ambassadors. The evening will start at 5pm and finish at 8pm, but we will have a late start on Friday 14th September which is also our lasy day of term!

The school is lucky to have a dedicated team of parents who co-ordinate FoTKA and today's coffee morning saw the first of many events throughout the year, which support the work of the school and our local charities. If you would like to join FoTKA, or do email Kath Williams.

All pupils will soon be completing assessments in all subjects. Year 7 assessment week will be the week beginning Monday 10th October and Year 8 will be the week beginning Monday 31st October. Please ensure your child is well prepared for these assessments.

Have a restful weekend,

Kind regards

Sophie Cavanagh

Year 7
parents

If you haven't
already done
so, please
make a
Parent pay
transaction
of £4.00 for
December's
performance
of
**'A Christmas
Carol'**



Spotlight on STEM

On Tuesday 46 Kingston University BA Product and design students came to school to work with our pupil leaders to commission a **new House trophy**. The KU students have already been given a brief and were keen to find out more about the school and our core values which will hopefully be reflected in the trophy. TKA souvenirs will be designed by November as an interim project and we look



forward to seeing design proposals which will be selected by our pupils. This project is an excellent example of how our **Trust partners** enhance the TKA experience of our History makers.



SPORTS NEWS

This week's House Tag rugby tournament was a huge success with the following results: 3rd Berners Lee team 2, 2nd Berners Lee team 1, 1st Curie team 2.

A big well done to all involved. Pupils played with integrity and the year 8s showed great generosity to their year 7 team mates.

Connor C gets outstanding player of the tournament, a fantastic effort, a team player and a positive role model to his peers. (Pictured left the winning Curie team)



Anti-Bullying Training Day

On Tuesday some TKA pupils went to Ascot on a training day to become **Anti-Bullying Ambassadors**.



All the twelve of us really enjoyed the day; we learned how to deal with serious situations and did many activities to learn how to break the ice when we need to comfort someone.

Our amazing group was formed by Year 8s: Maia, Sophia, Ben D, Matteo, Connor L., Mariam, Alys, Leo and Year 7s Bebe, Harry. S, Charlie H. and Tilly.

The Ambassadors all have a **badge on their blazers** to make other pupils know that we are the ones which can help in difficult moments.

The **ABA team** will work in close partnership with The Headteacher Ms Cavanagh, Mr Sheppard and Mr O'Brien together with student council and the leadership team.

We are all excited to help the **school tackle bullying** because everyone is the same and nobody can treat someone else differently.

The Ambassadors are very proud to be in those roles and **we hope the school will become an even better place**. An enormous thank you to Mr O'Brien which gave us the chance to become ABAs.



Liz Johnson makes a splash!



On Monday we had an amazing assembly with Paralympian Liz Johnson. She had a disability called cerebral palsy. One of her arms doesn't do what her brain tells it to do. She has every type of medal from the last few Paralympic Games and some pupils got to hold them. She was selected for GB team at the age of 14 and won the Silver at Athens when she 22. She told us to never give up on our dreams. She made us think you it

isn't necessarily talent that gets you to the Olympic Games, it's hard work.



Report compiled by Jack, Dom, Ed and Luke who are all members of Kingston Royals swimming club.



Our thanks go to Mrs J. Adaway and Liz (pictured left) who are part of the

DreamFlight charity which TKA are supporting.



Friends of TKA news

A reminder that the first FoTKA meeting is next Tuesday 4th October from 7-8pm in the Conference Room



Our Macmillan coffee morning was a great success. It was lovely to see so many Year 7 parents there. We will have the exact amount raised in next week's newsletter



IMPORTANT dates for 2016-2017

- Friday 7th October** - Wear a pink accessory for Breast cancer charity day
- Thursday 13th October 5-8pm**—Year 6 Open Evening
- Friday 14th October**—Late start for Year 7 and 8 - 10am registration.
- Half term holiday: Fri 14th October 2016—Fri 28th October 2016**
- Monday 5th December**—Year 7 watching Globe Players perform 'A Christmas Carol' at 9.30am in School Hall—Payment via Parent Portal.
- Thursday 8th December**—FoTKA Christmas Fair—4-8pm
- Thursday 15th December**—School Disco in School Hall
- Christmas holiday: Fri 16th December 2016—Tuesday 3rd Jan 2017** *Pupils return to school on Wednesday 4th January 2017*