



### Attendance

Years 1-3 Class Winners –Mrs Heath with 97.3% - first time this year – well done!

Years 4-6 Class Winners – Mrs Bennett with 95.2% - 2<sup>nd</sup> week in a row.

Congratulations and keep it up!

### Learning

We have had a Peer Review in school this week, where 2 of the Head teachers from our Kidderminster Primary School Alliance joined us in school. They gave such positive feedback about the learning environment, the calm and purposeful classrooms, the learning behaviours of the children and the quality of the provision they saw. They had the opportunity to talk to some of our children and they were blown away by how confident and articulate they were in sharing their learning.

We saw some fantastic examples of child initiated learning in maths in the early years and a range of physical activity for our youngest children in Nursery. In year 1, we saw children using their knowledge of the story to describe the Gruffalo's personality and then use their phonics to write simple sentences. Children in year 2 were exploring new vocabulary to create interesting sentences to describe space and year 3 were personifying objects! Year 4 showed excellent use of technology to explore the images in their text 'Voices In the Park', with the children really speculating about what they could infer about the characters. In year 5, we saw our new approach to the teaching of reading in full swing! Children were reading aloud fluently and expressively as a class, exploring the use of tone and punctuation to guide their intonation. Year 6 were then applying their understanding of reading to comprehension.



Our budding scientists in year 3 have also been deepening their knowledge of the human skeleton this week! Well done everyone!



### TT Rock Stars

Well done to those children who consistently go on TTRS to practice and improve the speed of their times table recall. I am delighted to share with you one of our Year 3 Rock Heroes – Eli, this is amazing! Under 1 second to answer every question.

### Lunch Time Supervisor Vacancy

We are looking to appoint a new Lunchtime Supervisor to support our children over lunch. This would be a term time only position Monday – Friday 12-1:30pm. If you know anyone who would be interested, then please contact the office.

### Christmas Plays

There is a real buzz around the school with lots of practice for Christmas performances. Now we have a better idea of the length of the shows, we have moved the afternoon performances for years 1 and 2 back to a 2:30pm start as this will then allow parents to take children home following this. We will also be holding a raffle and putting on

refreshments before the morning and afternoon shows to raise money for school funds. Letters with details of the Reception, Year 1 and year 2 Christmas Plays will come out early next week.

### **Building Update**

I'm sure you will all have seen that there have been some visible changes over the last week. The pergola outside year 6 (which was rotting) has been removed and replaced with our wellbeing hut which needed to move due to the positioning of the new build. The foundations are laid and we are getting ready for the steel frame to arrive and be installed.

Please be aware that there may be some disruption and significant activity on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December, as this is the day when the steels are arriving on site. This will also include the need for a large crane. The contractors have asked the steel company to avoid school drop off and pick up times but this is very much out of their hands as to when the materials arrive. We apologise in advance for any disruption caused on that day.

### **HAF – Winter bookings! (Holidays and Food)**



Bookings are now open for the winter HAF activities. Visit their website for more information and to make your bookings. [HAF Worcestershire \(haf-it.co.uk\)](http://haf-it.co.uk)

### **Rags 2 Riches**

Thank you for all the donations for our Rags 2 Riches 4 Schools – you can still bring lots more in on Monday.

### **Christmas Card to Care Home**

Thank you so much to all of you who have made Christmas Cards for us to send to our local Care Home. There is still just under a week where you can get involved, so please send these cards into the office next week. We can't wait to deliver these to the residents.

### **A message from King Charles I School**

As we reach the start of December, I wanted to send our warmest regards from all the King Charles staff and give you a summary of what we have been up to in the Autumn term. We were delighted with how many parents/carers attended our Open Evening in September. Our staff and students had a wonderful evening and I hope that you got a feel for the culture of our school.

We have been very busy in the Autumn term, students are working hard and our Year 11 students have reached a significant stage in their journey and are currently sitting their mock examinations; we have had dance and drama exams and the students have excelled themselves.

Extra-curricular opportunities have been high on the agenda and our club participation has been excellent. Trampolining, badminton, table tennis, netball and football have been particularly well attended. We have had Under 12 and Under 13 netball and football fixtures/tournaments and our Under 13 boys football team have reached the next round of the County Cup with a narrow 4-3 victory. Our students recently attended the District Cross Country and we had some outstanding results, we

even had a first place. The House system is going strong and we have had several house competitions which has created some healthy competition!

Students in Year 11 have enjoyed a trip to Berlin and 90 of our Year 8 students have just set off for the Cologne Christmas markets. Among other trips, our students thoroughly enjoyed their Matilda trip to gain some final inspiration for our school production of Matilda. We would be delighted if you could attend and tickets are available via our website [www.kingcharlesschool.co.uk](http://www.kingcharlesschool.co.uk). The production runs from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023 at 6.30pm. Our staff and students have been working exceptionally hard and would love to perform to a full house every night.

I hope that this gives you a little insight to the Autumn term at King Charles. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Kind Regards

James Wilkinson (Assistant headteacher/Head of Borrington Road)

### **The Solihull Approach – Understanding your child with additional needs**

This course is for parents or guardians who care for a child with physical or learning disabilities. This free [Online Learning \(heiapply.com\)](http://Online Learning (heiapply.com)) course will help parents, relatives and friends of children with a physical or learning disability to better understand your child. The course looks at the ways you feel and act as a parent or carer, and the impacts this can have on your child's behaviour. It will introduce you to different styles of parenting and the ways they can make it easier to work with your child's behaviour and support their development.

Parents can access this course for FREE by visiting [Online Learning \(heiapply.com\)](http://Online Learning (heiapply.com)) website and using the access code PARENTSROCK.

### **Free workshops for Parents of pupils with SEND**

SENDIASS run FREE daytime and evening, face to face workshops and online information sessions for parents/carers and professionals in Worcestershire.

Workshops currently available for Parent/Carers:

- [What you need to know if your child has an additional need/disability | Worcestershire County Council](#)
- [Herefordshire and Worcestershire SENDIASS Online Information Session \(parents and carers\) | Worcestershire County Council](#)
- [Autism & Me \(Developed by Autistic Young People\) Workshop for Parent Carers | Worcestershire County Council](#)

Get in touch: [info@thebugsgroup.com](mailto:info@thebugsgroup.com) 0121 777 7792

## Winter Holiday Camp

Tues 2nd - Friday 5th Jan 2024

Football Multi Sports Dance & Acro!

WIN medals trophies & more

**BOOK NOW!** [www.thebugsgroup.com/active-camps](http://www.thebugsgroup.com/active-camps)  
Venue: Burlish Primary School, DY13 8LA Price: From £17 per day  
Time: 9:00am-3:00pm/Extended time 8:00am-3:00pm

Tuesday Indoor Snowball Fight  
Wednesday Winter Talent Show  
Thursday Candy Cane & Sweet Hunt  
Friday Winter Olympics

**Dates for next week:**

Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Raggs2Riches collection for unwanted clothes
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 swimming Flu Nasal Spray vaccinations
Weds 6 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome Wednesday 8:45-9am Year 4 FAME cornet lessons
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	new nursery stay and play Deadline for handing in Christmas cards for Care Home
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	Guitar and violin lessons Year 6 Harriers

**Looking Ahead**

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – 9:30am and 2:30pm Year 2 Christmas play

Weds 13<sup>th</sup> Dec - 9:30am and 2:30pm Year 1 Christmas play

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – 9:30am Reception Christmas play

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Jumper day

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – 9-10:30am Nursery Christmas Craft Stay and play

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - 6pm Years 3 and 4 Carol Concert

Weds 20<sup>th</sup> Dec - 6pm Years 5 and 6 Carol Concert

Weds 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Magic Russ for Reception and KS1

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Year 6 to Boing Zone

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Break up for Christmas

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January – TED day – school closed to pupils

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January – Back to school for all children

*Kind Regards*

*Mrs Frost*