
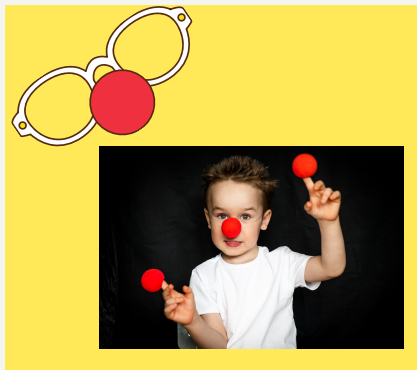
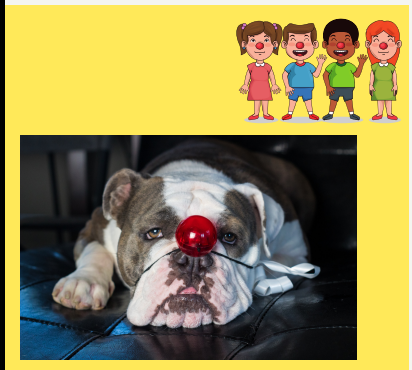


KING'S ACADEMY COLLEGE PARK


COMIC RELIEF
RED NOSE DAY
FRIDAY 15 MARCH




Attendance News

Our school target for attendance is 96%
The classes that hit the target last week were:

2Z- 96.7%
3AB- 96.7% 3HK/3JC- 97.3% 3RW- 96.7%
4ML- 96.6% 4SS- 98.3% 4HT- 97.3%
5JB-99.3% 5AC- 98.9% 5HW- 97.8%
6AD- 96.4% 6NC-96.2% 6CD-98.5% 6BT- 97%



Well done!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 11th March- Friday 15th March	Science Week
Monday 11th March	Year 5 Girls Science Trip U10 Boys Football
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day 
Friday 15th March	Virtuoso Recorder Concert (Group of Yr 4 Children)




This week is Science week and we have some exciting activities planned.

Don't forget your red nose and donation to our local North End Food Pantry.

DON'T FORGET TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION!

[Take me there!](#)

Message from Mrs Carlyle

Dear Parents and carers,

The end of the spring term is fast approaching and the buzz in school reflects the hard work and determination of the children.

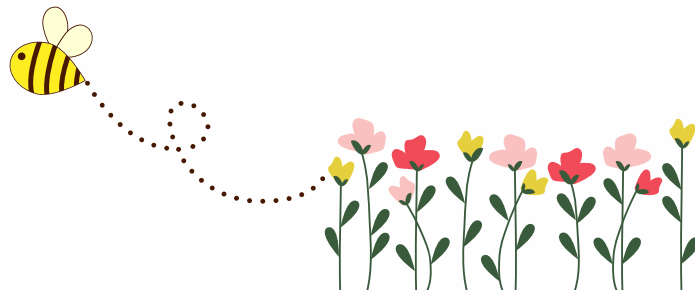
Thanks to all parents who attended the Parents Evening last week. Sadly, for some year groups the uptake was very low. If you forgot, or could not make the event, please can you make contact with your child's class teacher. It is important that you have a conversation with the class teacher to celebrate your child's success in class, but also to support at home if necessary.

The highlight of the last week, as predicted, was 'World Book Day' for both children and staff. The children enjoyed sharing books with friends, staff and parents. It was a wonderful experience and truly allowed us to celebrate as a Reading School.

This week we have science trips to the UTC, we also have football tournaments. There are rehearsals taking place for end of term celebrations.

Take care,

Mrs Carlyle



Next week we will be celebrating 'World Religion Day' in our assemblies.

This week we will be focusing on Judaism and Hinduism.



We are constantly working on improving our website so that it contains all the information you need!

Our Year Group Pages are currently being updated to include termly homework, weekly spellings and the Autumn Term newsletter.

Click [here](#) to select your year group's page!

WEBSITE UPDATES



If your child develops a habit of regular school attendance from the beginning, they'll have a positive attitude at school and beyond. Evidence shows that children who attend regularly are more successful, not only in school, but in all areas of life.

Missing school means not only missing out on lessons, but also friendships, clubs, trips and all the other opportunities that school has to offer.

As parents, you have a very important part to play in encouraging and supporting your child to ensure they understand the importance of regular attendance from an early age. You can help them to maintain that attitude throughout their school life and into their work life.

We are committed to ensuring that every child gets the chance to go to school to help them to get the best possible start to life.

Please speak to us if you have any worries about getting your child into school.



A huge thank you for saving those plastic lids!!

Through School Recycled, (plastic lid recycling scheme), we earn Earth Tokens, which are calculated by the weight of lids collected. These points can be redeemed against pieces of school furniture made from the recycled lids. Currently we have collected a total of 35.44kg in lids which equates to 8,860 Earth tokens!



ROBLOX

Roblox is one of the most popular video games on the market. By 2020, the game's makers were claiming that more than half of children in the USA play it. As a 'sandbox' title, Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom: it lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio to build custom levels and games, which can then be shared with other players online. Roblox fosters creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS
Roblox encourages players to communicate online (including a group chat facility). This could expose children to risks such as scammers, online predators, harassment, grievers and more. The in-game chat has some filters, but isn't perfect: players can still send harmful messages to others – such as general hostility – while predators can reach out to children directly.

PUBLIC SERVERS
Roblox has private or VIP servers which allow people to play exclusively with their friends, but this costs money. Most Roblox players will instead be on public servers that anyone can join. Servers can host games which focus on all kinds of aspects, including direct player interaction. Some games and servers, therefore, will put children more at risk of contact from strangers than others.

ONLINE DATERS

These are also called 'ODers' and are quite common in Roblox. An ODer is an individual who joins a game with the intention of finding someone to date online – and eventually meet in person. Such online dating is against the Roblox community guidelines, but this usually doesn't deter ODers. Some player-built Roblox game worlds have even been designed with online dating specifically in mind.

IN-APP PURCHASES
Roblox is actually free to download and play, but bear in mind that there are some hidden costs. Players are encouraged to make purchases in the game, for example, using real money. People can also buy extra Robux (the in-game currency) to spend on cosmetic items in the game, and some private or VIP servers also have a cost.

Advice for Parents & Carers

SET PARENTAL CONTROLS

Roblox comes with several parental control options, which are explained well on the game's official website. It's essential to enter the correct date of birth for your child, as that allows Roblox to automatically apply the appropriate chat filters. The game also allows parents and carers to set monthly spending restrictions and monitor their child's account.

DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING

Roblox's private messaging function raises the risk of children being contacted by people they may not want to speak with – potentially leading to bullying, harassment, toxicity and scam attempts. The game allows you to disable messages from anyone who hasn't been added as a friend on your child's account.

PRIVATE SERVERS

If your child has genuine friends who they play Roblox online with, paying for a private or VIP server decreases the risk of contact from strangers. Even then, however, some players could invite other people – who might not necessarily be child friendly – into the private server. If your child is a Roblox fan, it's important to talk with them regularly about who they are playing the game with.

MONITOR SPENDING

If they don't understand they're using real money, it's easy for children to accidentally spend a sizeable amount in the game. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help avoid any nasty financial surprises. Ensuring that you have two-factor authentication on your payment accounts also makes it harder for your child to spend money inadvertently.

DEALING WITH STRANGERS

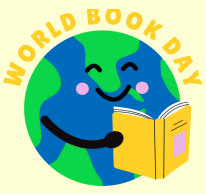
At some point in their development, your child will need to learn how to deal with strangers online. Show them how to block and report any users who are upsetting them or asking uncomfortable questions. Talking to them about what's OK to discuss – and what they should never tell a stranger online – will help them understand how to communicate with others safely in the digital world.

Meet Our Expert

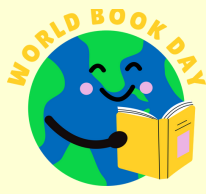
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World Book Day



Wow! World Book day was such a fun packed day with lots of excitement in the school. Children had the opportunity to guess the books that were created on classroom doors around the school. Each class had a 'Secret Reader' and they were read a book by an adult in the school. You also had the opportunity to come and read with your child at school. Thank you to all those children that took part in the 'Extreme Read' and thank you to you for all your amazing efforts with the costumes.

