

# KEW NEWS

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Dear Parents,

We began this week in energetic mode with a **Skipping Workshop** for the whole school. All the children from Kindergarten up to Year 6, in batches, were given ropes and shown different skipping techniques, tricks and games. It was amazing to see how effectively this activity exercises even the fittest children, as they puffed and warmed themselves up despite the cold weather. At the end of the session we had an assembly at which some of the trickiest techniques were demonstrated. Well done all skippers, and congratulations also to several members of staff who joined in and demonstrated their own impressive fitness levels!

There was much excitement on Thursday as all the children in Years 2 - 6 prepared for their trip to the Polka Theatre to see **'The Snow Queen'**. We set off in four coaches for Wimbledon, and had the theatre to ourselves - the auditorium was a sea of stripy blazers. The children behaved impeccably and this was commented on by all the staff at the theatre. 'The Snow Queen' is a complex and fascinating story, and I am looking forward to discovering what each of the different year groups made of it. Meanwhile, back in school, the children from Nursery to Year 1 were entertained by a puppet theatre with a performance of **'Town Mouse and Country Mouse'**, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

We are all looking forward to this afternoon's **Infant Disco** in the Sedum and tomorrow's **Junior Disco** at the Barn Church.

**Anne Dobell**



DIARY DATES		
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Junior House Disco at the Barn Church Hall Year 2 – Year6	5.00 – 7.00pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Last Jazz Dance Monday Club. Performance to Parents Main School Hall	4.00pm
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Last Arts and Craft Club Last Games Club	
	Last Jazz Dance Tuesday Club – Performance to Parents – Main School Hall	4.00pm
	Last Arts and Craft Club	3.30 – 4.15pm
<b>DECEMBER</b>		
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Year 2 outing to Gunnersbury Museum	Coach leaves at 9.30am
	String Orchestra - Last session	
	Last session of Games, Computer, Jazz Cats and German clubs	
	Last Year 6 Extra Lesson	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Secret Santa—Kew College Friends	At School all day
	Year 3 A and B rugby v St James's	Home at 2.00pm
	Year 4 A and B rugby v St James's	Home at 2.00pm
	Year 5 A and B rugby v St James's	Home at 2.00pm
	Year 6 A and B rugby v St James's	Home at 6.00pm
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Secret Santa—Kew College Friends	At school all day
	Nursery Cake Sale	
	Kew Sparkle—Kew Village. Children to arrive at school at 5.10pm and then they will walk to village from Kew College. Please ensure that Kew College Coats, Blazers, hats, scarf and gloves are worn. Children are to be collected from the village after the performance at 6.00pm	Performance begins at 5.30pm
<b>NOTICES</b>		

#### YEAR 6 AFTER SCHOOL LESSONS

These lessons will continue to take place on Monday 29th November and Tuesday 30th November. There will be no afterschool lessons after this date so pick up will be at the normal time of 3.30pm on Wednesday



#### Arrangements for Rehearsals and Carol Concert St Anne's Church, Kew Green

##### Monday 6th December

On Monday morning, 6th December, from 9—12, Years 2—6 will be rehearsing at St Anne's Church. They should be delivered to school as normal in the morning and picked up from school as normal in the afternoon.

##### Tuesday 7th December

On Tuesday 7th December the children will be rehearsing in the church in the morning. They will return to school and should be collected from school at 12.15pm. Packed lunch is not required on this day. Please could Parents deliver their child/children to St Anne's Church on Kew Green at **5.00pm** promptly. The Concert begins at **5.45pm** and will last approximately one hour. Doors will be open for parents from 5.20pm.

Members of the Recorder groups from Years 3 and 4, the string orchestra, wind band and drums will remain in the church until **2pm** and parents should collect from there. **These children will require a packed lunch.**

**All children should wear school uniform with their blazer, neat hair and polished shoes.**

## NOTICES

### JAZZ DANCE CLUB CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES IN THE SCHOOL HALL



#### Monday 29th November

Jazz Dance Club begins as normal at 3.30pm

The Jazz Dance Club's Christmas Performance will be held on this day at **4.00pm**. Parents are invited to come and watch.

Please could your child wear a red, green or white T shirt and jeans or dark leggings for the performance. A Santa hat or tinsel in the hair is optional.

#### Tuesday 30th November

Jazz Dance Club begins as normal at 3.30pm

The Jazz Dance Club's Christmas Performance on this day is at **4.00pm**. Parents are invited to come and watch.

Please could your child wear a red, green or white T shirt and jeans or dark leggings for the performance. A Santa hat or tinsel in the hair is optional.

#### JEWELLERY SALE AT THE JUNIOR DISCO

Beth Boatswain ( a Kew College Mum ) will be displaying a wide selection of her fabulous jewellery for sale at the junior disco on Saturday 27th.

It's a great opportunity to stock up on Christmas presents and stocking fillers, or maybe just treat yourself to something special

*Cash and cheques only*



#### CHORAL CLUB/ORCHESTRA

Last Junior Choral Club is on Monday afternoon 6th December, and Last Orchestra on Weds. 1st December.

#### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FINISH NEXT WEEK

**MAD SCIENCE CLUB LAST SESSION IS 9TH DECEMBER**

#### Kew Sparkle—Friday 3rd December

Just a reminder parents. Please could the children from Year 5 and 6 Choir who are performing at Kew Sparkle, bring their child to school on **Friday 3rd December** at **5.10pm**. The children will then walk with members of Staff to Kew Village for their performance at **5.30pm**. As the cold weather is upon us, please ensure that your children have their Kew College coat, hats, scarves and gloves.

A few instrumentalists from the staff will be accompanying the group.

**Parents are asked to collect their children from Kew Village at 6 pm.**



#### CYCLE TO SCHOOL CAMPAIGN SURVEY

Please could parents bring their completed Form into the office on **Monday 29th November**.



#### Medicines

A reminder that children should never be given any kind of medication, including seemingly innocuous cough sweets, to bring in to school themselves. It is not safe for them to keep anything at all of this nature in their bags, for obvious reasons. **All medicines should be handed in first thing to the office and parents are asked to complete a Medical Form as to how and when they should be administered by adults.**

Thank you for your cooperation with this.

### **BROOMFIELD HOUSE SWIMMING GALA**

Last Friday Kew College swam in the Broomfield House gala against Broomfield, Ravenscourt Park Prep and Kew Green Prep. As the first whistle blew Isabella Pearce started the gala and stormed into first place, followed by Ben who beat the other teams with ease. We carried on like this through the rest of the gala and won 18 out of the 23 races. Our new additions to the team in Year 3 Ted and Suki – performed fantastically winning both of their races, The final score was 154 to us, next was Broomfield with 108, Ravenscourt with 93 and finally Kew Green with 88 points. Well done to the whole team for such amazing swimming and for supporting all team members, and a massive thank you Mrs Buckle and Mrs Frost and parents who came along to help and support us.

**Joshua Y6**



### **Year 3 Netball v Old Vicarage**

On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of November, the Year 3 B Team played a netball match against Old Vicarage. In the first half, Kew College had the centre. Alice passed to Heather who then passed to Bella. Bella did a fantastic throw to Alice who threw back to Bella. Bella shot a brilliant goal. We continued to score goals. We shot five goals in the first half by Bella. In the second half, Old Vicarage had the centre. We had the ball a lot and scored two more goals. I grabbed the ball just as the final whistle blew. Well done to everyone involved in this match.

**Tanishya, 3S**

### **Kew College vs Old Vicarage**

On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, the Year 3 'A' team played a netball match against Old Vicarage. The first centre pass was Old Vicarage. Their centre passed a light ball to my opponent, but I cut quickly and grabbed the ball. Then I did a quick pass to Camilla and she managed to pass the ball to Jessica. With that, Jessica shot a brilliant goal!!! Another 5 goals shot by Jessica and Amelia followed but Old Vicarage also shot a goal. In the end the score was 10-1 to Kew College. WOW!!!! Well done year 3 'A' team. Maybe we will beat this score next time....

It was chilly that day but by the end we were boiling!!!

**By Iroha 3B**

### **NETBALL TOURNAMENT YEARS 3—6—The Rudolph Cup**

On Thursday 2nd December at University of Westminster Sports Ground girls from Years 3 - 6 will be playing an inter-school netball tournament. It will run from 1.30p.m - 2.45p.m and Parents are warmly invited to attend and support our teams which are Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Comet, Cupid, Donder, Blitzen and Vixen.

Mrs Tabor

### **Debating Club**

Our debaters never cease to amaze me with their thoughtful and far-reaching comments. This week we had an unprepared debate on the topic of 'It is good and noble to die for your country'. Without any preparation, the children brought forward these ideas:

When civilians die, they are remembered by their friends and family. Dead soldiers are remembered by everyone, every year.

Dying for your country demonstrates courage.

You will at least have achieved something special in your life.

The enemy does not care who they kill, so you are wasting your life in this way.

Once you are dead, you will not know how you are regarded by others.

If you are a good and effective soldier, then by dying you are letting your country down.

If one soldier dies, then more will have to be sent forward to take his place.

You might have been asked to fight for a bad cause.

We should stop war altogether - it is a waste of life.

Terrorists think it is good to die for their country - what should we do?

Sometimes soldiers are persuaded to fight for bad causes by people like Hitler.

When you die, your relatives also die, emotionally.

It's up to each person to decide for him/herself.

We die for what we believe in.

When fighting you are only killing other innocent people.

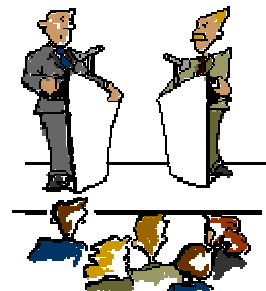
It's as good a way to go as any - at least you don't get old and ill.

The votes were:

For the motion - 0

Against - 8

Abstentions - 10



## November

You have probably noticed the dashing, debonair Kew College gents sporting a more hirsute look. As you may know, this wonderful facial hair has been painstakingly grown for a very good reason, Movember. The male staff of Kew have decided to grow a moustache to support the fight against prostate cancer in the UK.

Shave Day (November 30) is fast approaching!

We kindly thank those who have already made monetary donations to this important cause. However, if you have not yet made a donation, there is still time! You can donate money in two ways.

Many will prefer to simply send money to Mrs. Burgess at the school office. Others may find direct debit to be the easier option. If this is your preferred method of donation, you can log on to the website [www.movember.com](http://www.movember.com) and look up our school team (click on the 'Make a Donation' link). We are known as the 'Kew-Mo-Crew' and our registration number is 884312.

On November 30 we will be taking photographs of our impressive upper lips and posting them on this website. Once again, any donation—no matter how small or large—is thoroughly appreciated.

We thank the Kew College community for supporting the Movember movement.

## Matt Barlow

### Year 1 Kew Village Survey

On Monday Year 1 eagerly set off after lunch to investigate the shops in Kew Village. We had our check lists, clipboards and lots of mummies to help us.

There was plenty of careful reading of shop signs such as 'Hole in the Wall' and 'Welcome to Tesco Express at Kew Village'. We found a butchers, the post office, an opticians and an estate agents. We were looking for a chemist but discovered two pharmacies!



### YEAR 1 OUTING TO LONDON ZOO

We had an exciting if chilly day at London Zoo. The hands on session with a London Zoo Education Officer was fascinating. Amongst other activities we got to touch the skin of a crocodile, stroke a zebra pelt and climb inside the shell of a giant tortoise. Did you know that a python's skin is only smooth when stroked in one direction; in the other it is quite rough and scaly? By the end of the activity the children could correctly differentiate between mammals, reptiles and birds. We got to eat our lunch in the heart of the aquarium, surrounded by exotic fish. Later, we bravely ventured into the dark of the nocturnal world where the bats and rats had woken up and were watching our every move! It was an action packed day.



## Times for the Infant Christmas Nativity performances

### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**All Nursery children** to arrive at school at **9.00am** wearing their costume. **Nursery Red's Parents** to watch their child's performance at 9.30am. After the performance the children will be brought back to their classroom for a drink and biscuits. Parents are invited for coffee and mince pies in the hall. Parents are to collect their children from the **Nursery door**, as there will be **no school in the afternoon**. PLEASE NO HOT DRINK TO BE TAKEN OUT OF THE HALL THANK YOU.

**Kindergarten Blue** children get dropped off at the **Sedum** wearing their costumes at **10.30am** Kindergarten Blue parents to watch their children's play at **11.00am**. After the performance the children will be brought back to their classroom for a drink and biscuits. Parents are invited for coffee and mince pies in the hall. Parents are to collect their children from the classroom, as there will be **no school in the afternoon**. PLEASE NO HOT DRINK TO BE TAKEN OUT OF THE HALL. THANK YOU.

**Kindergarten Green** children to be dropped off at the **Sedum** in their costume at **11.30 am** (or as soon as Kindergarten Blue have finished their performance) Parents to watch their children's performance at **12.00am** and then the procedure to follow is the same as for Kindergarten Blue.

**Year 1** come to school at the normal time in the morning in uniform. **Form 1M** parents to watch their children's play at **1.30 pm**. After the performance the children will be brought back to their classroom for a drink and biscuits. Parents are invited for coffee and mince pies in the hall. Parents are to collect their children from the classroom.

**Form 1C** parents to watch their children's play at **2.30 pm**. After the performance the children will be brought back to their classroom for a drink and biscuits. Parents are invited for coffee and mince pies in the hall. Parents are to collect their children from the classroom.

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December

**All Nursery children** to arrive at school at **9.00am** wearing their costume. **Nursery Yellow's Parents** to watch their child's performance at **9.30am**. After the performance the children will be brought back to their classroom for a drink and biscuits. Parents are invited for coffee and mince pies in the hall. Parents are to collect their children from the **Nursery door**, as there will be **no school in the afternoon**. PLEASE NO HOT DRINK TO BE TAKEN OUT OF THE HALL. THANK YOU.

