



### REMINDERS

- First day of term- 30th October
- Please download the WeDuc app or log in online for key updates throughout the term
- It is great to see every in school each day and on time- let's keep it up for next term!

### Message from Ms Foster

It has been a busy half term at Kingswood and the term seemed to disappear at pace!

The children have had a great start to the academic year and I hope you have recognised all their amazing learning when you have seen or spoken to your child's teacher at parents/carers evenings in this last week. I have been very impressed with the way the new Nursery and Reception children have settled in their classes and what I see, as I always expect, is children who are settled, happy and fully engaged in learning.

As well as the learning taking place across the school, there are a few other updates I would like to share. The contractors have started the alterations work and they will be working throughout the half term holiday and Autumn 2 term in preparation for our children and families at Kingswood Lower site to join Kingswood Upper site in January 2024. If your child is at Kingswood Lower site, please look out for further information regarding transition arrangements.

Our parent tours for the Nursery and Reception 2024 intake have started this term. If you know anyone who has a child due to start primary school next September, please encourage them to attend one of our parent tours. The dates are all on our school website.

to round up the half term, it was lovely seeing so many parents and carers attend parents/carers evening this week and to hear such positive feedback.

I hope you have a lovely half term break, and I look forward to seeing you all in the new term.

**Ms Foster**

### Black History Month

During the month of October, learning across the school has been linked to celebrating the achievements and contributions of black people throughout history and today. Our PSHE lead and racial justice champion Ms Campbell, shared inspiration quotes for each class to discuss each week so that our children could take part in a range of rich discussions throughout the week. During assemblies we also stuck to the theme of 'celebrating our sisters' where we have found out key facts and celebrated the contributions of women throughout history.

As part of their curriculum learning each year group focused on the **'Power of theme'**. Staff ensured learning remained rooted in history as well as black excellence. Speak to your child about their learning over the past few weeks.

EYFS- Power of kindness

Year 1- Power of art

Year 2- Power of music

Year 3- Power of community/civil rights

Year 4- Power of sport

Year 5- Power of Literature

Year 6- Power of science



### Sports at Kingswood

We would like to give a Kingswood welcome to our new PE coach Mr Eden from moving matters. As well as teaching PE lessons across the school he will be preparing our teams for future competitions against other Lambeth schools. I can't wait to hear about their sporting achievements.

Also a big welcome to our new lunchtime coach Mr Oneil, who will be working with lots of our children during lunchtime to develop their sporting skills

### Dates for the diary

- **Secondary school applications deadline-** 31st October 2023
- **Friends of Kingswood AGM-** 2nd November. 6.30pm at KWU
- **Workshare assemblies-** please see dates sent out this half term for your child's class

## Learning updates

To find out learning updates from this half term and for regular updates please follow the link to your child's class page on the Weduc app or online.



<https://app.weduc.co.uk>

## Community champions

At Kingswood, we value every opportunity to ensure that our pupils are able to explore community and equality related themes, which help them to reflect on how to be actively kind and respectful members of the community. Our 'Community Champions' projects are a wonderful reflection of our pupil's dedication to our community and Kingswood family.

This half term, we have explored two Community Champion themes of 'charity' and 'diversity'. It has been fantastic to see so many of our families help to raise money through bake and toy sales in the local community and all the research projects into the important work of Marcus Rashford and Princess Diana. Throughout the month of diversity, the children have enjoyed a range of Black History Month topics, exploring the work and contributions of black women to our society.

## The Friends of Kingswood

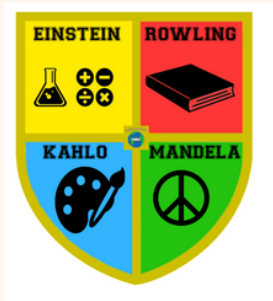
### Our school needs you....

Our dedicated FoK volunteers are holding the annual general meeting (AGM) on 2nd November at 6.30pm. It will be a great opportunity for all parents and carers to find out more information about how you can support to raise money for our school and to be part of our FoK community. We really look forward to seeing you there!



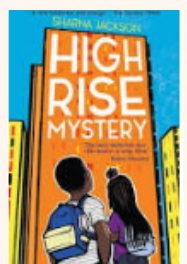
## Winning house this term!

Well done **Einstein house** for winning with the most house points for this half term!



## Keep reading

Have you read any of these fantastic novels? We would love to hear what you think!



## Crazy Hair day

We thoroughly enjoyed crazy hair day and seeing how creative our children and families are. The children all voted for their favourite 'crazy hair' and all the children across the school voted for their winners.

Thank you to Mrs Cole for organising such a fun event for our school. We can't wait for the next one!