

Kew Woods News

Friday 20th November, 2020



Times Tables Rock Out

Last week, our pupils in KS2 took part in the Times Table Rock Stars Rock Out, as part of National Maths Week. Pupils had to answer as many questions correctly as they could over the week on Times Tables Rockstars. They competed against other schools, classes and pupils across the globe. As a school we finished in the top 10%, answering 1846,618 questions correctly!

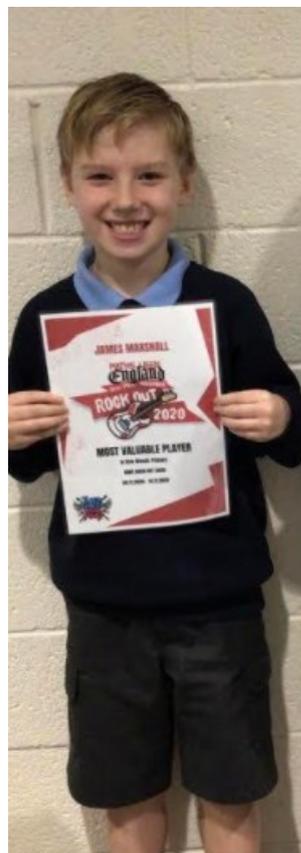
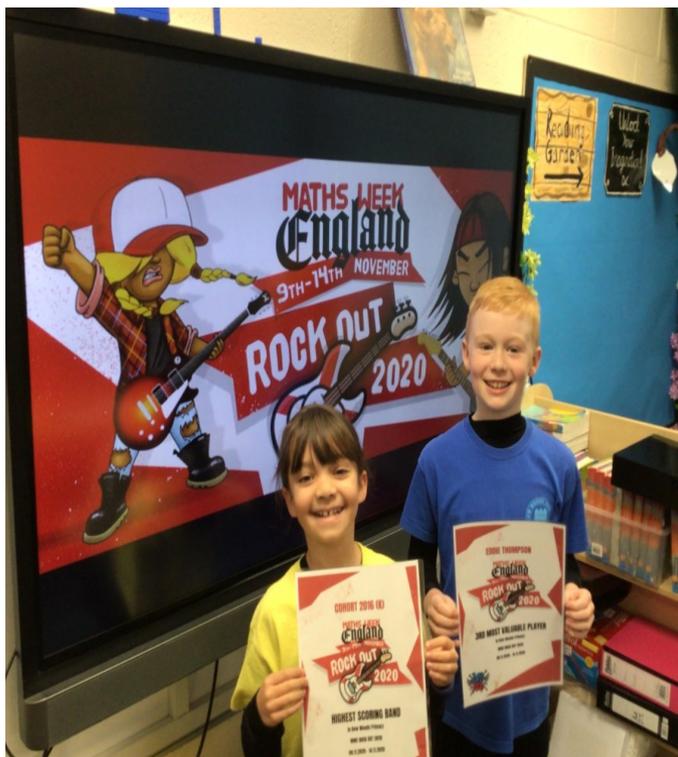
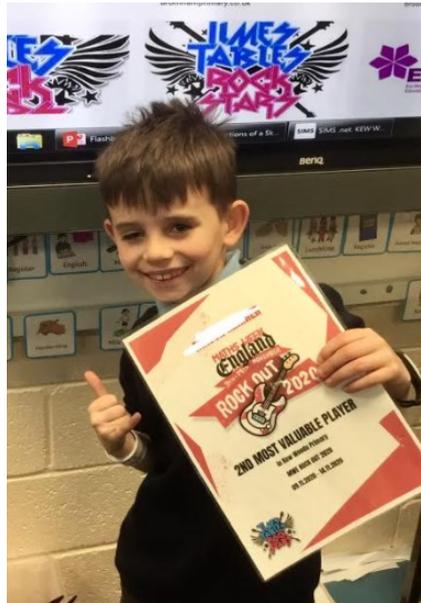
Class Champions: 4K

Individual Champions:

1st place—**James Marshall, 5W**

2nd place—**Mason Rimmer 3W**

3rd place—**Eddie Thompson 4K**



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ATTENDANCE:

School attendance this week is **97.3%** which is above national average. Well done to classes 5W who had the highest attendance at 100%

Diary Dates:

November

19th Interventions finish

27th Mufti Day in exchange for voluntary donations towards Christmas Raffle

December

11th Virtual Santa Dash (wear a Christmas Hat)

18th Term ends

Next Week's Dinner Menu is Week 1



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Christmas Raffle

On Friday 27th November we are holding a mufti day for all children (own clothes). If possible, we are asking for voluntary donations to make up hampers as prizes for a school raffle. Items such as wine, alcohol, sweets, chocolates, biscuits, mince pies, Christmas crackers, jams, crackers for cheese, Christmas cakes, puddings etc would be appreciated. We will be collecting these items under the shelter on the school playground on 27th November. We will be sending home books of raffle tickets for the children to sell if possible. We hope the children will enjoy wearing their own clothes and families will be able to support the school fundraising via the raffle tickets.

Google Classrooms

We are pleased from the feedback received that parents are finding Google Classrooms useful and are now familiar with using it. Don't forget if you need any support with Google Classrooms, or any of the online learning set to be completed at home, please email the office who will contact your child's class teacher. We are happy to address any queries and offer any support required.



Kew Woods Twitter

Don't forget to follow both the whole school and your child's class Twitter pages to find out about the broad curriculum at Kew Woods.

NEW Class Twitter Accounts

- ▶ Follow your children's classes at:
- ▶ Nursery @nurserykew
- ▶ Reception @receptionkew
- ▶ Year 1 @Y1Kew
- ▶ Year 2 @Y2Kew
- ▶ Year 3 @Y3Kew
- ▶ Year 4 @Y4Kew
- ▶ Year 5 @Y5Kew
- ▶ Year 6 @Y6_Kew

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This Week's Class Dojo Winners

Adam	RK
George	RW
Freddie	1K
Alfie	1W
Tom	2K
Austin & Jack	2W
Bahiyia & Leo	3K
Charlotte & Mason	3W
Alex	4K
Poppy & Isabella	4W
Frankie	5K
Dylan	5W
Jake	6K
Lexie-Ann	6W

SEND Inclusion Award

We are aiming towards achieving an award for our Special Educational Needs and Disability provision in school: the SEND Inclusion Award.

We are currently in the process of evaluating what we are providing and to plan for further improvements. Parental and pupil feedback will form a vital part of this process and we will be writing to parents who have received additional support from school for their child in order to gather their views. The views of parents and pupils are important in helping us to understand better what we are doing well and how we can do better. We will be sending an email to relevant parents in the next few weeks with a questionnaire attached. We would be grateful if parents who are sent the form could take the time to complete it. Following this consultation, all responses and suggestions will be carefully considered and used to help us put together an action plan. Ongoing information about the award and our progress towards achieving it will be shared in future newsletters.



Interventions

Please note, interventions for invited pupils both before and after school have now finished for this term. We thank parents for their commitment to working together with school in supporting their child. Individual assessments will take place over the next few weeks and the progress made evaluated. Information will be sent home to parents regarding the level of engagement, attendance and progress, towards the end of the term.

PE Challenges

The Department for Education recommends that the children should aim to do sixty minutes of physical activity per day. Thirty minutes should be within the school day and the other thirty at home. Children have had access to our new PE Challenges website at home for the last few weeks and it has been lovely to see members of every class taking part. This website gives the children access to fun, easy activities they can do at home to increase their activity levels and develop skills in a range of sports. We will be holding an inter-class competition for the rest of this term to see who can have the most children completing the set activities this term. In addition, we will be awarding certificates to the classes who have the most children participating. Log in information was sent home in October. Please feel free to request the log in details again if they have been lost or misplaced.



Santa Dash

On Friday 11th December we will be taking part in the School Games National Santa Dash, supported by the School Games organisers network across Merseyside. This is a fantastic opportunity to come together as a school, whilst exercising and having fun. We will ask all the children to run in class groups throughout the day wearing a Santa or Christmas themed hat. Children will run varying distances, up to a mile, depending on year group. We look forward to sharing photos with you later this term.



**Save the Date:
11th December**

Join thousands across the Country
for the
School Games Virtual

SANTA DASH



#santasmiles
#YourSchoolGames

Contact your School Games Organiser for details



National Astronomy week 2020

14-22nd November

<p><u>A club in a week!</u> During National Astronomy week the theme is 'Mars Encounter' as Mars is the closest it will be until 2035. Each activity has a virtual lecture on the same theme. Ideally, you attend the lecture on Zoom and follow this up by completing the activity. Links to all lectures are at the start of each activity.</p>	<p><u>Activity 1</u> Mars the planet! Book on to the lecture here (14/11/20) https://astronomyweek.org.uk/mars-events/virtual-lecture-mars-the-planet Write down as many facts as you can about Mars this link has extra info https://mars.nasa.gov/all-about-mars/facts Now go outside and find Mars, draw a picture or take a photo</p>	<p><u>Activity 2</u> Mars Rocks! Book on to the lecture here (15/11/20) https://astronomyweek.org.uk/mars-events/virtual-lecture-mars-rocks Why is Mars red? What about craters, mountains and Marsquakes? Look here for extra info https://www.thegreatcoursesdaily.com/mars-mountains-volcanoes-and-marsquakes/ and write about the geology of Mars and illustrate your work.</p>	<p><u>Activity 3</u> Tales of Mars! Book on to the lecture here (18/11/20) https://astronomyweek.org.uk/mars-events/virtual-lecture-tales-of-mars Write a short story or poem about what it would be like to visit Mars. Think about how your characters feel, the views, sounds, smells, clothes, food creatures and adventures! Let your imagination take over!</p>
<p><u>Activity 4</u> Robots on Mars! Book on to the lecture here (19/11/20) https://astronomyweek.org.uk/mars-events/virtual-lecture-robots-on-mars Do some research about vehicles that might work on Mars and draw a design of your own. Now make your Mars Rover using recycled materials that you find in your home. Take a photo!</p>	<p>For each session you can gain 1 Children's University credit. Don't forget to keep evidence of all your work – this might be the work itself or a photo of it and If you attend the lecture, why not write a short review?</p>	<p>National Astronomy Week has 9 different Mars themed events – Take a look here for even more ideas! https://astronomyweek.org.uk/naw-events-schedule All lectures are led by speakers who are specialists in their fields from all corners of the UK astronomy community and wider.</p>	

Collect extra Children's University credits by completing these challenges. Each activity is worth 1 credit when you bring evidence into school or send it directly to laura.ashcroft@elevate-ebp.co.uk

Christmas Dinner

We will be having Christmas Dinner in school on Wednesday 9th December. The cost for the dinner is £2.25 (unless your child is entitled for free school dinners or universal free school dinners). An order form has been sent via the school app. If you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner, please ensure the form is completed by **Friday 27th November**.