



Date  
17/11/2017

### Special points of interest:

- First house event of the year
- Amazing writing from Year 4 on page 2

### Dates

1/12—Xmas jumper mufti day

8/12—Xmas Fair from 3:30pm

13/12 & 14/12—Nursery & Reception Xmas shows at 9.30 am (13th) & 2.00 pm (14th)

13/12 & 14/12—Years 1 & 2 Xmas shows at 2.00 pm (13th) & 9.30 am (14th)

18/12—KS2 Carol Concert at CCC

21/12 End of term (1:15pm)

# Ellingham Primary School

Our vision is to ensure that all pupils become:

*Successful learners*—who enjoy learning, use their mistakes positively, make progress and achieve

*Confident learners*—who are able to live safe, healthy and fulfilling lives

*Responsible citizens*—who make positive contributions to society

We were treated to two fantastic assemblies this week. Both Redgrave and Pinsent Classes told us lots about Brazil and shared some of their fantastic writing which you can read on page 2 of this newsletter. All of the children spoke very well and looked fantastic in their carnival T shirts and masks.

On Wednesday, children from Year 6 attended the ATP finals at the O2. Even though it was a long day, this was an amazing experience for the children and one that will be remembered for a long time.

Sophia - Today was a one in a lifetime opportunity and I really enjoyed it.

Syed - it was fun because I saw one of my favourite tennis players play.

Maddie - it was an amazing experience and I hope to do it again.



In support of Children in Need, we held our first house event of the year. The children worked in their houses, to create a catwalk style outfit, a house song and a house logo. All children shared their master pieces in the hall at the end of the afternoon and the winning house won the first rosette. The children were fantastic and the house captains in particular showed great leadership skills to organize their houses. More pictures to follow on the school's Twitter account (@EllinghamSchool)



Ellingham Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. We have a number of policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding commitment, including our Child Protection Policy which can be viewed in the Policies section of our website.

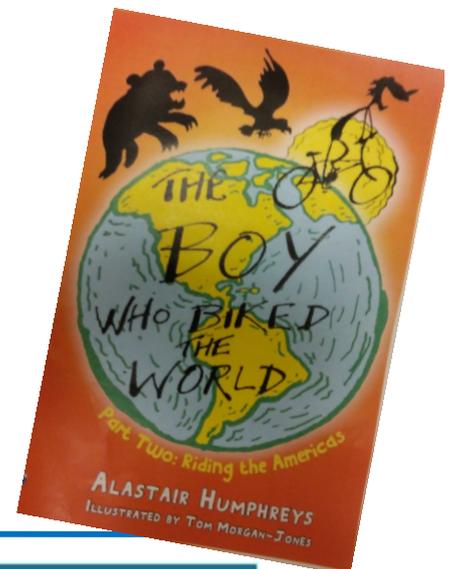
Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mr Stuart Atherton (Headteacher). Our Deputy DSLs are Jon Light, Claire Cook, Helen Wilson

## Amazing writing from Year 4

Year 4 have been writing some fantastic stories based on the book called 'The Boy Who Biked The World'. The children have definitely written in the style of author Alastair Humphreys as well as carefully considering the vocabulary that they use.

Alfie: Feeling adventurous, Tom approached the carnival. He saw lots of vibrant costumes and passionate floats. One looked almost exactly like a real life dragon. While he was there, there was overwhelming music, at least that's what Tom thought. All of a sudden, one of the cariotas called him over and told him "Grab my hand!" So Tom grabbed his hand as he got pulled up onto one of the many floats in the lovely, packed carnival. Enthusiastically, Tom started to dance swiftly to the music. In fact, the music was so loud it was as loud as a pack of wolves howling.

Francesca: As Tom arrived in Rio, he peddled closer and closer to the rusty, rained on favelas. Despite the neighbourhood being poor, it had loads of colour and graffiti which was allowed there. Occasionally, Tom had to carry his delicate bike up the stairways of Rio which was hard for him as he was a tall boy which means he had a very big bike. So Tom decided to park his bike in a long, narrow street. While Tom wandered the narrow stairways, he got very lost. Suddenly, he heard some children cheer. It was a group of boys playing football on a rooftop playground. As he was walking, the ball came closer and closer to Tom so he booted it back. "Do you want to play?" asked the children.  
"Um, yes please. You may be better than me though!" Tom replied.



### Our top 10 tips for night cycling

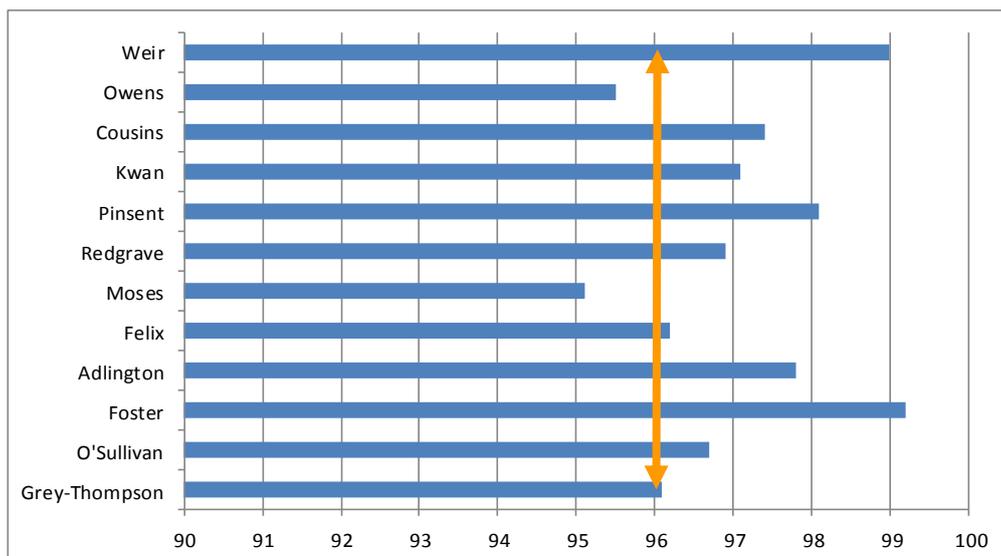
- Wear rear light on your backpack or your helmet
- Ensure backpack has reflective strips
- Hi-visibility clothing is an ideal way of staying visible
- Front and rear lights are allowed to flash
- Keep reflectors clean and clear of mud
- Rear light must be red
- Add reflective items to body parts that move
- Front light must be white and have a 110 degree visibility
- Check batteries in full working order and not running low. Have a backup set while riding.
- Consider your route before you head off

[www.kingston.gov.uk/gocycle](http://www.kingston.gov.uk/gocycle)  
#GoCycle

## Attendance



Another strong week with our attendance data. 10 out of 12 classes were above the school target of 96%. Foster class had the highest attendance for the week, beating Weir class by just 0.2%



## House Points

This week, the following children have earned their star certificates:

Bronze: Mia-Kay Barfoot, Syed Ali, George Watmon, James Waters, Jack Thurston, Omar Staussi, Dominik Skuza, Snaria Sirwan, Shraiya Rajkumar, Darcy Quinn, Laila O'Sullivan, Ashley Osborne, Molly Noble, Isobel Morrey, Alexander McEwan, Louis Mansfield, Kavisha Kingston Ravi, Skylah Jones, Brandon Hunt, Lilly Hall, Simreen Gulati, Nadir Altawell, Layla Walton, Holly Jones, Teddy Woollett, Aiden Muir, Maisey Barfoot, Charlotte Mendoza, Beste Duyan and Alfie Chandler.

Emerald	190
Sapphire	265
Topaz	270
Ruby	260



# Kingston residents can now access more GP appointments

Kingston provides access to primary care services 8am to 8pm, 7 days a week. This includes:

**Surbiton Health Centre**  
extended appointments available between:  
6:30pm - 8:00pm  
Monday to Friday  
8:00am - 8:00pm  
Saturdays and Sundays

**Kingston Health Centre**  
extended appointments available between:  
6:30pm - 8:00pm  
Monday to Friday  
8:00am - 8:00pm  
Saturday  
8:00am - 2:00pm  
Sunday

**Merritt Health Centre**  
extended appointments available between:  
6:30pm - 8:00pm  
Monday to Friday  
8:00am - 2:00pm  
Saturdays and Sundays

For evening appointments, please contact your own GP surgery before 5pm to make an appointment.

For a weekend appointment please call 020 3841 9942.

This service covers all the normal illnesses and injuries that you would want to see your GP about.  
The service does not cover • Conditions that require immediate direction to A&E, such as chest pain, and severe shortness of breath • Any pregnancy related issue • Exacerbations of long term conditions • Dental emergencies • Mental health emergencies • Follow up appointments



Supporting families of children under 5 across the boroughs of Richmond, Kingston and Hounslow

**Home Start**  
Support and friendship for families

**Volunteer Recruitment Day**  
Thursday 30 November 2017, 10.00—15.00  
The King's Centre, Chessington



**Are you a parent or grandparent?  
Would you like to help local families?**

If you can spare 2-3 hours a week to help families with children under 5, local charity Home-Start can train you to support those having a difficult time.

Come and meet us on 30 November at our Volunteer Recruitment Day, at The King's Centre, Coppard Gardens, Chessington KT9 2GZ, to learn more.

The next free volunteer training course will run in **Chessington** from January to March 2018 (starting 18 January), over seven Thursdays, 9.30am-2.30pm (excluding half-term).

For full details on either the Volunteer Recruitment Day or the training course, contact Angie Ahmed:

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