

Hello families,

This half term has flown by, and I'm sure the next one will go even quicker!

We've been making some staff appointments this week, in preparation for the next academic year.

Congratulations to Alexis Gardner who has been appointed as deputy head, and Lizzie Thompson and Christopher Corcoran who are to be the new assistant heads.

We have also confirmed our PD Days for next year. They will be 1st and 2nd September (Thurs and Fri), 21st November, 27th January, and 21st July 2023.

We had Ofsted inspecting school last week. Many thanks to the families who completed the surveys, your responses will form part of the report. We think we did well, but I'll share the report with you all as soon as we receive it.

Have a great half term, back on the 6th June.

Brian



KTS1 & KTS2

Despite it being a short half-term, the groups have been very busy in Lower School. The topic has been 'Allotments', so many of the groups have been developing their gardening skills and have been planting lots of plants and seeds, also enjoying spending time in the mud kitchen.

Some groups have enjoyed using a range of vegetables in their cookery sessions and have made different salads and soups. The Peter Rabbit trail at Kirkleatham Museum has been popular and several groups have visited - it was a big hit and it fit nicely with our topic!

This week has been Healthy Schools Week, an annual event we all look forward to. The children have been trying out different outdoor activities including a 'sensory camp', archery and even axe throwing! The classes have been tasting and exploring lots of healthy foods and learning about how to look after their wellbeing and health.

KTS2 have resumed their weekly assemblies this term (after being halted due to Covid), which has been lovely. The children love to share their successes with one another and it is lovely to celebrate these in-person again. Hearing the children singing in the hall on a Friday morning is a lovely end to the week!



KT3, KTS +, High Hills



UNICEF Right Respecting Schools Award

It is three years since KTS Academy succeeded in gaining the UNICEF Gold Rights Respecting School Award in recognition of our efforts to champion the Convention on the Rights of the Child. On 5th May, members of the Rights Respecting School Award Steering Group/School Council and groups of staff faced a day of questioning from a UNICEF official as we sort to gain Gold reaccreditation. The children involved did us proud. We look forward to confirmation of this achievement.

Healthy School Week 23rd – 27th May 2022

Healthy School Week is back once more and every child (and staff) have had the opportunity to engage in a range of healthy activities. This week, students have thrown axes, fired arrows, taken part in team building activities, toasted marshmallows over a fire pit and enjoyed a sensory camp.

Every class has made healthy snacks and many have participated in wellbeing activities.



Notices

We return to school from half term break on Monday 6th June. We have an extra bank holiday on 20th June. Our next PD day is 21st July.

IMPORTANT SECURITY NOTICE

In order to adhere to DBS regulations, can all parents please ensure they report to the main reception when visiting school for any reason.

KTS Academy is committed to the safeguarding of its pupils.

For your information the Designated Safeguarding Lead for our school is Brian Richardson, or, in Brian's absence, Sarah Gunn. The school Governor for Safeguarding is Maggie Hadland.