



King's Court First School

A School for Children

Caring, Sharing and Learning Together

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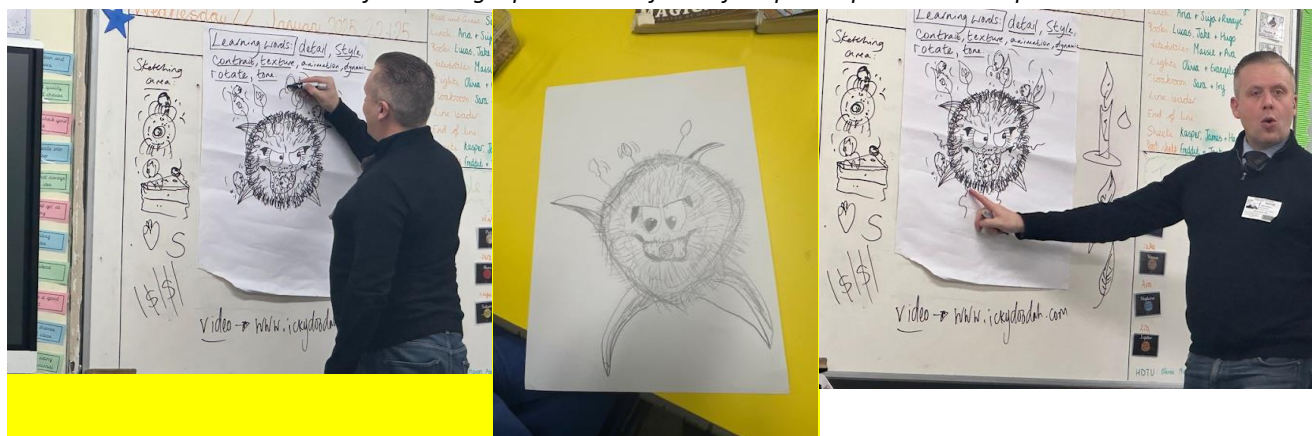
Dear parents and carers,

We were delighted to have a visit from the author Simon Murray who went to all of the classes from reception to Year 4.

Promoting Enjoyment for reading across the school.

Simon is the author of the series 'Icky Doo Dah' a character that lives in the attic of Copperpot Farm. Simon delivered some fantastic sessions to the children, showing how simple, yet effective it is to create his scary-cute character. The children then had the opportunity to create their own. We were so impressed by the detail and creativity of the pictures that were produced. For children that purchased a book, we hope that you enjoy sharing these at home. The children's feedback was so positive and included comments like:

"Simon showed us how easy it was to create his character and ours really looked like it!"
"I liked finding out about Simon's work and how he got into being an author and illustrator"
"it was fun making a picture out of lots of simple shapes and techniques"



For the first time at King's Court, we have a Judo Club, which is really good for the children's fitness and confidence.

Judo got off to a flying start last Thursday 23rd January 2025 and our second lesson yesterday, the children seem very enthusiastic and are having a great time.

It was lovely to open the doors this morning for our coffee morning. As we continue our community theme, the School Council asked the parents and carers to draw a picture of where they belong. The children really enjoyed working with you and thank-you for all your support today. If you weren't able to come today, then there are further meetings scheduled for Friday 28th February and Friday 28th March, with the doors opening in the hall early at 8.20am.

Don't forget to check out the board at the front of the school which illustrates the children's ideas for saving energy across the school. The Green Team were instrumental in assembly on Tuesday and fed back ideas from all of the classes across the school. Well done Mrs. Mc Bride and the Green Team!

With best wishes,

S. Pye-Beraet

Mrs. Pye-Beraet
Headteacher

WHAT ARE THE CHILDREN LEARNING ABOUT THIS WEEK?

This week in Team Magic:

We have learnt a little about Chinese New Year. We especially enjoyed the story of 'The Great Race' finding out about how the order of the animals were decided. We then had a go at sequencing the order of the animals. I wonder if the children can tell you who came first? Why the pig came last? And what happened to the cat? We have also been reading Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers and next week we will be exploring the vocabulary. As mathematicians we have been developing our understanding of weight using balance scales and the capacity of containers. We have continued to love outdoor learning and found so many mystery marks and mystery numbers this week.

Next week we are going to be reading Billy's Bucket and exploring the numbers 6,7 and 8, how we can recognise quantities and represent them on a ten frame.

This week in Team Believe:

As mathematicians in Hedgehog class we have been learning about doubling numbers and practicing near doubles. As writers we have continued learning our story Monkey see Monkey do and have been writing out full sentences. We have been exploring the names of the continents and oceans as Geographers. As artists we have painted a landscape of Windsor practicing the style of Paul Cezanne. As writers, Squirrel class have shown such amazing determination when rewriting our class story, challenging ourselves to add exciting punctuation. We have enjoyed learning about the Chinese New Year in RE and the children decorated their very own dragons to celebrate. As scientists, we have investigated how and if a material can change shape, with a focus on vocabulary such as bend, fold, twist and squeeze. As artists, the children have started to make their final design using batik with a focus on art produced by Van Gogh.

This week in Team Inspire:

This week, as writers, we have been continuing to develop our storytelling writing techniques ready to write our own versions in our upcoming hot tasks. The children will be authors and work as a class to publish their own anthology of versions of the stories they have created. As mathematicians, owl class have started to learn about measuring length using mm, cm and m. Deer class continue to work on their strategies for dividing numbers. As scientists, deer class have been creating their own string telephones to understand how sound waves travel. Owls have been looking at plants and what they need to grow and how water travels through plants and how the temperature can affect this. Next week we are looking forward to continuing to work on our striking and fielding skills in PE, with the sports leaders in year 4 modelling the first demonstrations of the activities for year 3.



Simon Murray came back in to school to sign our books!



Children's Corner



Let's get creative! You could choose one of these activities or maybe you could have a go at creating your own snake.



Simon Murray Visiting Author



Art Shirt

Don't forget to provide your child with an old T-shirt or shirt to use for art and craft activities in school.

We want to ensure that the children have protective clothing to avoid spoiling their school clothes. We are also encouraging the children to be and feel like an artist as they work.

Mrs. Martin sent out full details in her Dojo post last week. If any families have additional old shirts, please could you bring them along, so we have some spare shirts.

Calendar dates for the coming months

Friday 7th February 2025 –

NSPCC Number Day

Monday 10th February 2025 –

Internet Safety Day - Parents welcome 9/9.30

Friday 14th February 2025 –

Mufti Day - Term Ends

Monday 24th February 2025 –

Term Starts

Friday 28th February 2025 -

Attachment Aware Coffee Morning

Thursday 6th March 2025 –

World Book Day (More details coming soon)

Monday 10th March 2025 – Friday 14th March 25

Science Week

Friday 14th March 2025 –

Red Noses on Sale

Friday 21st March 2025 –

Comic Relief (Red Nose Day)

Friday 28th March 2025 -

Attachment Aware Coffee Morning

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Congratulations to our Top Table 29/1/2025





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