



Term	Spring 1	Date	10 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> Feb 25
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Information

- Now that Mantle of the Expert has started, I can inform you of the theme. For Major-Mantle (Y2-6) all the children have been re-grouped and are visiting 22 different rotations during the week. The week is called ‘Kings Through The Ages’ and Justin Time (me) and Justine Time (Miss Grimsley) are leading the children from 50,000BC to the future, exploring what was happening on this very plot of land during 22 different periods in history. Mini-Mantle (Reception and Y1) are following Grandma (Miss Hodges) through different time periods to try to solve the mystery of the keys!
- I have been asked at the gate and the issue of trips came up in the recent parent surveys. Whilst we do have a strong enrichment offer (one per half term and a virtual activity each week) we avoid expensive trips. Our experience of the Y6 onsite residential is that, despite us working incredibly hard to provide a very cheap experience (3 days, food and one-night camping for £60!) we are constantly chasing parents for payment and even then, a large proportion don’t pay. Therefore, we are going to try to give many months notice for trips that are comparatively expensive with the understanding that if too few parents pay, we will have to cancel the trip.
- This week we’ll begin the process of electing our next parent governor. Governors play an important role in the school in joining the Governing Body (they don’t gain individual authority over the school or any of its individuals). They are a crucial part of Team KR, they work with us and play an important role in helping us to be the best that we can be.
- The **Household Support Fund** has been extended for 6 months from 1 October 2024 to 31 March 2025. This fund is for families of children that receive free school meals and are Trafford residents. Trafford Council will be awarding the free school meal holiday awards as part of the household support fund for February 25. Information can be found on the website <https://www.trafford.gov.uk/residents/schools/trafford-catering/Free-school-meals-holiday-award.aspx>. Families must continue to apply online to receive the support using the application link that is sent out from the schools.

For families who have previously been unable to get an automatic decision on the application, a pre-approved voucher will be issued by Trafford Assist before the application goes live.

Only one application per household can be made so parents must be sure to include all their children on the application form, including those who are home educated, under 5 years old and up to the age of 18.

The application will be live for 2 weeks prior to each school holiday as shown on the enclosed table.

School Holidays	Applications opens	Application Closes	Payment
February 2025	Tuesday 4 February	Monday 17 February	£15
Easter 2025	Tuesday 25 March	Monday 7 April	£30

Without applying, families will not receive any support over the holiday period. Parents can get support in completing their online application at any Trafford library.

Families who live outside Trafford will be provided with supermarket vouchers, details to follow.

For families who have questions regarding the scheme, please go to: Frequently Asked Questions: <https://www.trafford.gov.uk/residents/schools/trafford-catering/Free-school-meals-holiday-award.aspx>

- We have re-booked a fantastic group called ‘Kidz Rock.’ They will be attending our school on the 10<sup>th</sup> March (originally, I had booked them during Mantle week!) Kidz Rock are a loud, fun and energetic music group that engages with children to support their well-being and help the children to make good life choices. It saved me £200 if I agreed to let them flog their merchandise and send the letter that is included at the end of this newsletter to you.
- 46 of our children’s stories have been selected to appear in a book called ‘The Magical Map.’ I have listed the winners in the celebration section of this bulletin. And congratulations to the parents of the 46 winners who now have to buy the aforementioned book!

### Upcoming Events

This week  
10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Feb

After half term  
24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> Feb

- **Mon 24<sup>th</sup> - School opens for the new half-term**
- Mon 24<sup>th</sup> - Full Governing Body meeting
- Mon 24<sup>th</sup> - Assembly focus: ‘Blossom’ led by the National Trust
- Mon 24<sup>th</sup> - Assembly focus (for the rest of the week): Positive Attitude
- Tue 25<sup>th</sup> - Training Tuesday (TAs) focus – effective behaviour management approaches
- Tue 25<sup>th</sup> – Staff meeting – effective behaviour management approaches
- Thu 27<sup>th</sup> – House assemblies

### This week’s assembly focus

Mantle of the Expert launch

### Spotlight

#### Parents Involvement in Pupils’ Behaviour in School

I am delighted to say that the behaviour and attitude of the pupils at Kings Road are exemplary. Behaviour in classes is of the very highest standard. However, during the analysis of questionnaires it was felt that children’s level of respect dips when dealing with some Teaching Assistants and dinner ladies and sometimes when independently travelling around the school. Therefore, next half-term we’ll have a big push on this as I expect all members of the school community to always be treated respectfully by all members of the school community. Sometimes we will ask parents to attend school to discuss an incident or a pupils’ behaviour and attitude. Generally, this can go one of two ways. Positive meetings involve empathy and listening which results in collaboration which benefits the child and the school. Sometimes in these

meetings we are informed of helpful information that helps us to help the child. Sometimes the parent is immediately defensive, defending their child before understanding the context or reasoning behind the meeting – in this circumstance poor attitudes and behaviour is either overtly or subconsciously being permitted or even nurtured which will result in bigger problems later in life for both the individual and their family.

These parents do not need to defend their child from us – we are on your side – we are trying to help.

### Celebrations

- A great week for 1A with 1000% attendance!
- Also, congratulations to 6LB who will get a go at Classopoly due to their reliability
- Happy Valentine's Day for Friday – I have alerted my postman to prepare for the extra work!

### Last week's winning house was

Styal

### Reliability - Class Attendance (%age present)

Nam	Npm	NFT	RH	RK	RI
80	94.4	90	95.7	90.8	90.3
1A	1G	1J	2C	2HS	2KP
100	95	92.4	95	93.3	90.7
3G	3W	3T	4A	4HG	4R
95.2	94.8	93.5	96.3	95.9	95.9
5B	5N	5R	6DB	6LB	6W
94.8	93.4	94.1	97.6	99.4	96.3

### Reliability - Class Punctuality (Number of lates)

Nam	Npm	NFT	RH	RK	RI
1	3	3	2	3	0
1A	1G	1J	2C	2HS	2KP
5	6	5	9	4	5
3G	3W	3T	4A	4HG	4R
4	3	3	5	7	6
5B	5N	5R	6DB	6LB	6W
2	2	5	1	2	2

### Pupil Achievements

#### Calculation CAPE Winners

Class	Name	Reason
RH	Amelia Zahid	Growing in confidence with maths this half term and always trying hard to explain your understanding.
RK	Huzaifa Farooq	Having a good understanding of the mathematical concept 'doubling'.
RI	Maisarah Zaidi	Always joining in and helping us extend our maths learning with your brilliant observations!
1A	Hooria Waqas	For using a wide range of concrete resources in her maths lessons.
1G	Shazain Ahmed	Always diving in and being enthusiastic in our maths lessons. Keep up the great work!
1J	Zoule Yi	For working really hard to understand the concept of subtracting on a number line! You are fab Zoule!
2C	Hannah Omole	For always trying her best and trying to help others who are finding questions tricky. Well done!
2HS	Abdulazeez Ismail	For his outstanding explanations during our multiplication and division units.
2KP	Zach Skipp	For working independently and using amazing mathematical language! Well done Zach!
3G	Rayna Salejee	Your drive to succeed hasn't gone unnoticed. You are working really hard in maths, learning new skills every week and transferring those skills.
3W	Aqeel Hussain	You consistently put in great effort in every maths task—your hard work is truly paying off! Well done Aqeel!
3T	Burhan Farooq	Working hard to understand a range of arithmetic strategies and use these with confidence.
4A	Andrea Philip	For always diving in, being eager to learn and engaging in our class discussions. You are making wonderful progress!
4HG	Halimah Mansoor	Having a healthy competitive streak in maths and always challenging yourself to complete the more difficult tasks.
4R	Hafsa Aslam	Always giving 100% effort in her maths. You always persevere in every lesson. You're such an amazing role model.
5B	Priya Kaur	You have been going the extra mile with your learning. I have loved watching your determination to succeed, especially in maths.
5N	Aliya Suleman	Working hard to understand complex fraction problems.
5R	Roshan Singh	You are getting faster and faster at calculations!
6DB	Abhinav Katnam	Being so articulate when using mathematical vocabulary to explain your reasoning to others.

6LB	Dawood Farhan	For challenging yourself in every lesson to answer higher level multi-step word problems!
6W	Makeerat Kaur-Sharee	For developing your understanding of number by looking for patterns and sequences. Keep up the great work!
Royal Writers		
Class	Name	Reason
RH	Rayan Adeel	Working so hard on your independent writing this half term, using phonics, finger skills and always writing extra sentences.
RK	Rumaysa Ishaq	Always showing positive attitude by contributing in literacy lessons and writing a beautiful piece of work using finger spaces and full stops.
RW	Waleed Ahmed	For wanting to improve your writing and impress your teachers daily with your new-found skills!
1A	Gurtaaj Singh	For working hard to improve his handwriting and presentation.
1G	Jia Kaur	For contributing creative ideas in English and always presenting your work beautifully. Well done!
1J	Adam Mansoor	For his beautiful consistent handwriting, his wonderful ideas and for always listening during carpet sessions!
2C	Inaya Khan	For trying to use new vocabulary and rereading her work to ensure it makes sense. Superstar writer!
2HS	Aleeha Jaffery	For her use of creative vocabulary throughout this term. Your work is a pleasure to read
2KP	Elijah Zahid	For always being so enthusiastic during English. He has made excellent contributions all week. Well done!
3G	Anaya Malik	You are excellent at entertaining the reader. You spell, punctuate and you are creative in your thinking when informing the reader. Very impressive!
3N	Jugaad Singh	For his presentation in his work lately, it's fantastic. You should be proud! Keep it up!
3T	Sacha Dzhyoieva	For your enthusiastic approach to writing and for always trying to use exciting vocabulary. Well done!
4A	Ibrahim Khaleel	For always listening so carefully and working so hard to ensure you have diligently followed every success criterion. Your ideas are creative and your work is always presented beautifully. You are a star!
4HG	Alyaan Khan	For using excellent vocabulary in your English work and contributing original ideas to our shared writing.
4R	Arhaan Hassan	For always putting up your hand and sharing fantastic ideas in our lessons. You`re amazing, keep up the brilliant work!
5B	Zain Rahman	For applying the writing skills you've developed over the past few days, you've crafted a story that flows seamlessly and demonstrates excellent cohesion. Well done!
5N	Laiba Imtiaz	Your writing is truly blossoming! You're skilfully incorporating the necessary techniques to add depth and create a beautifully cohesive poem. Keep it up!
5R	Maria Jamal	Your dedication and determination to make your writing shine are truly impressive. You've begun to incorporate the skills we've practiced, and it's showing in your work. Keep up the great effort!
6DB	Marley Singh	Such an improvement in your writing. You are making great word choices
6LB	Mohammed Ali	Your enthusiasm for your writing is contagious- keep up the hard work.
6W	Rida-Noor Safda	Meticulous use of tone and pace to create atmosphere

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