

High Oaks Newsletter

Dates for the Diary

INSET Days—23rd and 24th October

Half Term—27th October—31st October

School Photographs—3rd November

Richmond and Kew Parents Evening—11th November

Syon and 6th Form Parents Evening—13th November

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a busy few weeks here at High Oaks. Last week during Mental Health Awareness week, students and staff participated in lots of activities to help us remember how important it is to look after ourselves!

Yesterday we held our Diwali celebrations and the students participated in lots of activities including cooking, dancing and art. A great day was had by everyone.

Our Key stage 4 and 5 students have been working hard rehearsing for their production of 'Midsummer Nights dream' which they will be performing next week at the Hounslow Arts Centre. There is more information about this in the newsletter, including a QR code if you would like to purchase tickets to see the performance. The theatre are very kindly donating half of the ticket sales back to Oaklands school to help with future productions.

A reminder that next Thursday and Friday are INSET days, so school will be closed for students. When students return on Monday 3rd November we will be having our annual school photographs.

Finally for all our students, staff and families who will be celebrating on Monday, I wish you a Happy Diwali filled with success, peace and prosperity. Enjoy the festivities!

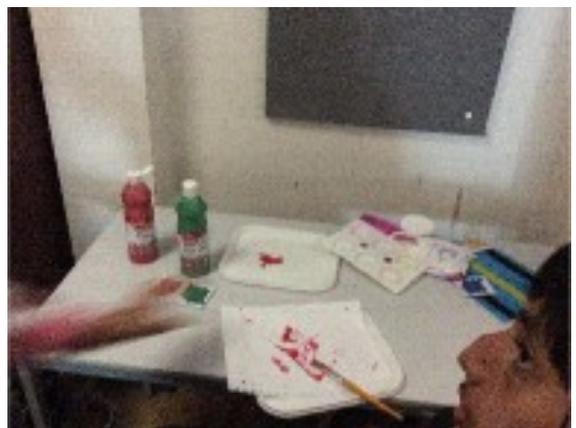
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Richmond 3

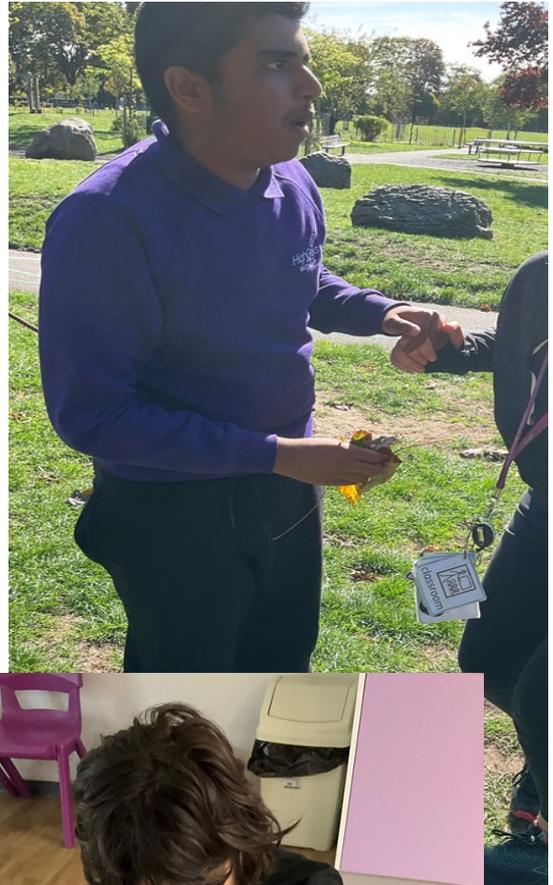
Hello,

Welcome to Richmond 3 and our first newsletter. We have been getting to know the routine of the class. We have been swimming and on community visits. In our vocational lessons we have been designing and researching making a tote bag. Stay tuned for more Information.



Kew 3

Kew 3 students have been involved in Autumn related activities. They were exploring our local park as a part of their community visits. They were looking for Autumn signs and picking up colourful leaves, acorns and conkers. They were also engaged in reading Autumn stories, smelling essential oils and making decorations. Seeing, feeling and interaction with nature will help Kew 3 students understand Autumn, by making the seasonal changes tangible and memorable. It will also create a deeper appreciation for the transition between Summer and Winter.



Crane 2

We have advanced to a higher level of learning and are gaining real work experience. We cook, make beds, do laundry, and go shopping. Every week, we work in the school's café and shop, where we prepare coffee and tea, make sandwiches, and sell various products.





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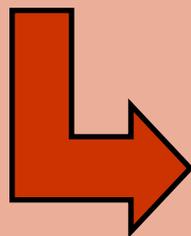
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KS4 & KS5 show—Wednesday 22nd October 2025

Students in KS4 and KS5 have been exploring William Shakespeare's play 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. As part of this learning, students from Kew, Syon, Richmond and 6th form departments will have the amazing opportunity to stage their own production of the play at The Arts Centre Hounslow, located in the Treaty Centre. The show will take place at **1:30pm on Wednesday 22nd October**. If you wish to join us at the show, please arrive from 1:15pm.

As the event is run by Arts Centre Hounslow **tickets must be purchased through the Arts Centre website**. All tickets sales will be shared with Oaklands school, and will benefit future creative projects. Please scan the QR code below to visit the website. Although **only KS4 and KS5 students will take part in the show**, all parents/ carers are invited to come along to the show to support the students!

Scan QR code for tickets!



Thank you in advance for supporting the students!

Syon 1

This week, Syon 1 students started exploring our local area as part of their community visits. Their first stop was Osterley Park, where they enjoyed a lovely autumn walk and spotted lots of colourful leaves. The children also had great fun meeting the farm animals and spending time outdoors together. It was a wonderful start to their local adventures!



Jack Petchey Award Winner



Well done to our Jack Petchey Award Winner for the Autumn Term:-



Kacper Burchacki

In the last year Kacper has made amazing progress in the Sixth Form and has worked incredibly hard to better understand his emotions and strategies to help keep calm. He took part in our summer term school show and has been out in the community very successfully. We are so proud of everything he has achieved and he deserves recognition from this award.

Congratulations Kacper!

Kew 2

It has been a fantastic start to the new academic year for Kew 2. During our English lessons we have been exploring the story 'My Autumn Senses' through sensory play, smells and answering questions about what we can see. Kew 2 have also enjoyed Community Visits to Tesco and Reflections, making breakfast independently and working hard on our communication.



School Council News



Our new school council had our first meeting last week and items on the agenda included welcoming our new head student team to the role, talking about how we feel about travelling to school, and thinking about who keeps us safe when we are at school.

Our council reps were given an important job to do for our next meeting thinking about our school dinners! They're going to be asking their friends about the best and not so best parts of school dinners to help us share our student voice with the catering team.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 5th November so be



sure to check out our newsletter and see what we have to say!

