



MPS Head's Newsletter

Reflecting the Kingdom of God by Enriching and Transforming Lives

St John the Baptist Church –
[click here for information and events during the Lent period.](#)



Children's
 Celebration of the
 Story of Easter
 with art, crafts & fun!
 Sunday 22nd March
 @3:00pm



St. John the Baptist, Old Malden

Changes to
 previous
 newsletters
 are in green

March – Women's History Month	
2nd	St David's Day St David's House wear yellow
3rd	Happy Bags Clothes Recycling
4th	Dress up for World Book Day
5th	Year 3 Trip to the Science Museum
6th	Nursery 2026 Application deadline
7th	PTA Quiz Night
9th	National Child Measurement Programme (Rec and Y6 only)
9th – 13th	Science Week Assessment Week
13th	Reception Class Assembly
15th	9.45am Mothering Sunday at Church – children singing
17th	St Patrick's Day St Patricks house wear green Year 5 Easter Experience at New Malden Baptist Church
19th	Year 5 Tudor Day
20th	Share My Learning drop in between 8.30am and 9.00am or 2.15pm till the end of the day
23rd	10am Rocksteady Concert Year 5 Trip to Hampton Court
24th	Parent Consultations (in-school) 3.45pm - 6.45pm
25th	PTA Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt (more details to follow)
26th	Easter Bonnet Parade/Competition Parent Consultations (in-school) 3.45pm - 6.45pm
27th	Celebration assembly Easter Egg Raffle End of Spring Term children leave at 2pm - No Night Owls



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23 February 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

A Renewed Inspection Framework for Schools

You may be aware that from November 2025 there has been a renewed Ofsted inspection framework for schools. Changes to inspection frameworks can be difficult to understand, especially when they move away from a model with which we were all very familiar.

I am writing to set out the changes to the renewed inspection framework and explain what this means for schools in Kingston and Richmond. All schools will be affected by this change. A small number of local schools have already been inspected under the renewed inspection framework and others will be inspected at some point in the future.

Ofsted will no longer give schools a single overall grade following their inspection of a school. They will no longer grade schools as 'outstanding', 'good', 'requires improvement' or 'inadequate'. Instead, schools will receive an online report card that grades them in seven areas:

1. Inclusion
2. Curriculum and teaching
3. Achievement
4. Attendance and behaviour
5. Personal development and well-being
6. Leadership and governance
7. Early years or sixth form in schools (where applicable)

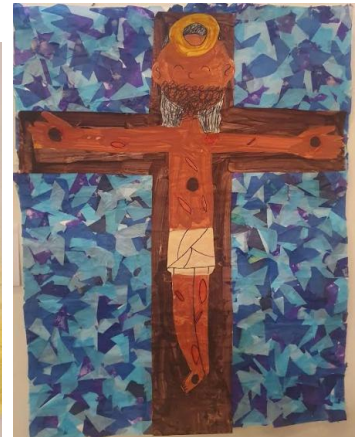
Each of the seven areas will be evaluated and graded as either:

- Exceptional
- Strong Standard
- Expected Standard
- Needs Attention
- Urgent Improvement

The report card will also evaluate whether safeguarding standards at the school are met or not met.

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Preparing for Easter in church with our impressive stations of the cross which Father Michael blessed in church on Wednesday.



Ramadan

We have prayer mats for pupils who would like to pray during this time of Ramadan. Girls may wish to bring in a head covering and prayers take place at 12pm, supervised by Mrs Ahmad.

Share My Learning

Ahead of our parent consultation meetings at the end of term, families are welcome to a Share My Learning drop in on Friday 20th March between 8.30am and 9.00am or 2.15pm till the end of the day.

Happy Bags – Clothes Recycling

Children will be bringing home their Happy Bag this afternoon in preparation for the clothes recycling drop off on Tuesday 3rd March.

Let's Make Our Church Glow!

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help us keep our sanctuary beautiful. Whether you're a dusting pro or just want to lend a hand, we'd love your help when you have a spare moment. It's short, sweet, and incredibly rewarding.

Ready to help? Contact Vanessa Spreckley for details!

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Parking & Road Safety: A Polite Request

We've seen a rise in complaints and have received photographs regarding inconsiderate parking. Let's work together to be better neighbours and keep our pedestrians safe.

Please consider these three simple changes:

- Leaver earlier: Beating the rush ensures a safer environment.
- Car share: Fewer cars mean fewer headaches for everyone.
- Consider attending Early Birds Breakfast Club: A great way to start the day and avoid the parking scramble.

*Note: Constant complaints and local photos are taking up valuable time for leaders and office staff. Thank you.
Let's fix this together!*



Safeguarding Section

This is a free parental/carer webinar regarding County Lines which is being delivered by myself (Project Adder – Met police) and Lived Experience Consultant Sosa Henkoma during County Lines Intensification Week.

The webinar will be held on MS Teams on 4 March from 1:30-3pm.

Participants can sign up on Eventbrite using the following link: [County Lines Parental/Carer webinar](#).

The webinar will be open to any parent/carer, regardless of geographical location.

Prioritising Safe Sleep: Expert Advice from The Lullaby Trust

Sleep is vital for your child's development, but ensuring they rest safely can often feel overwhelming for new parents. **The Lullaby Trust**, the UK's leading authority on safer sleep, provides evidence-based guidance to reduce the risk of SIDS and give you peace of mind. From perfecting the "feet to foot" position to maintaining the ideal room temperature, this resource breaks down essential safety tips into clear, actionable steps.

What's Included:

- **The ABCs of Safer Sleep:** Always sleep your baby on their **back** in a **clear** cot or sleeping space.
- **Environment Essentials:** Why keeping a clear cot is safest and the recommended room temperature.
- **Expert Information:** Expert-backed support and advice to common parenting questions.

[\[Click here to explore The Lullaby Trust's Safer Sleep Guide\]](#)

"Following safer sleep advice for every sleep, day and night, is one of the most important things you can do for your baby." — The Lullaby Trust

Good Work Bags given out this week

Year 2

- Heaven

Year 5

- Mariella
- Alice
- Keyule
- Arav
- Samuel

25, 50, 100 and 125 Reads Completed!

Maia (2)

Max (2)

Holly (2)

Hana (2)

Nathan (2)

Heaven (2)

Owen (R)

(175 reads!)

Mabli (R)

Oscar (R)

Elise (R)

Aydin (R)

Luca (R)

Ivy (R)

Alba (R)

Clara (R)

(150 reads!)

Lennon (4)

Yielle (5)

Grace (2)

(175 reads!)

Suanne (4)

Reggie (5)

Arthur (5)

Aiyla (3)

Celebration Station

Congratulations to this week Class Stars! (Y6) Araya (Y5) Jacob (Y4) Erin (Y3) Luke (Y2) Holly (Y1) Sama and Thomas (R) Chue

We also had children receive **Values** and **Bee A Blessing** certificates. **Aylan, Amelia, Elise, Victoria, Darcey, Erin, Erin, Imogen, Yezen, Keyule, Mieke.**

Well done everyone!



MPS Feedback Form – [click here](#) if you would like to give any feedback or comments to share with Mrs McMullan.

HENRY Newsletter for Parents

March 2026

Update from Kingston's HENRY Coordinator



A warm and cheerful Spring welcome from the Kingston HENRY Growing Up Team!

As we hop into the spring season, the Kingston HENRY Growing Up Team are excited to meet and support parents throughout the months ahead. We're delighted to be offering **FREE group programmes and workshops** for parents, helping families to feel confident, supported, and ready for positive change.

We still have spaces available on our **April programme and workshop**—please see details below.

What is HENRY all about?

We know that everyone wants the best for their children, but it can be hard to ensure a healthy lifestyle for the whole family.

The HENRY Growing Up team offer an 8-week programme and one-off workshop for parents and carers of children aged between 5-12. HENRY is for everyone, and topics covered in the 8-week programme include understanding children's behaviour, setting boundaries, parent wellbeing, healthy lifestyles, supporting children eating a wide range of foods, screen time, being active, family routines, sleep, self-esteem, and much more.

The HENRY **Looking After Ourselves** workshop is an online session that focuses on the benefits of parents taking time to recharge—supporting emotional wellbeing, physical health, and a deeper understanding of stress, its impact on the body, and practical strategies to cope and unwind.

The programme and workshops are **FREE** to attend for parents/carers of children attending Kingston Schools. You can self-refer by scanning the QR code or to find out more please feel free to email us on henry@yourhealthcare.org



Upcoming HENRY Programmes and workshops

Healthy families

Healthy Families Growing up programme (for parents of children aged 5-12)

Venue: Online

Day/Time:
Wednesday: 10-11:15am

Dates:
29th April – 24th June 2026
Break over May half term

Looking After Ourselves (for parents of children aged 5-12)

Venue: Online

Day/Time: Wednesday
10 – 11.30am

Date:
22nd April 2026

• What do parents say who have already accessed HENRY?

- "What I enjoyed most about the programme was the opportunity to share experiences with other parents and hear different perspectives. It was reassuring to know that others face similar challenges, and I found it helpful to learn from their experiences"
- "This programme has helped me realise that small changes can make a big difference."



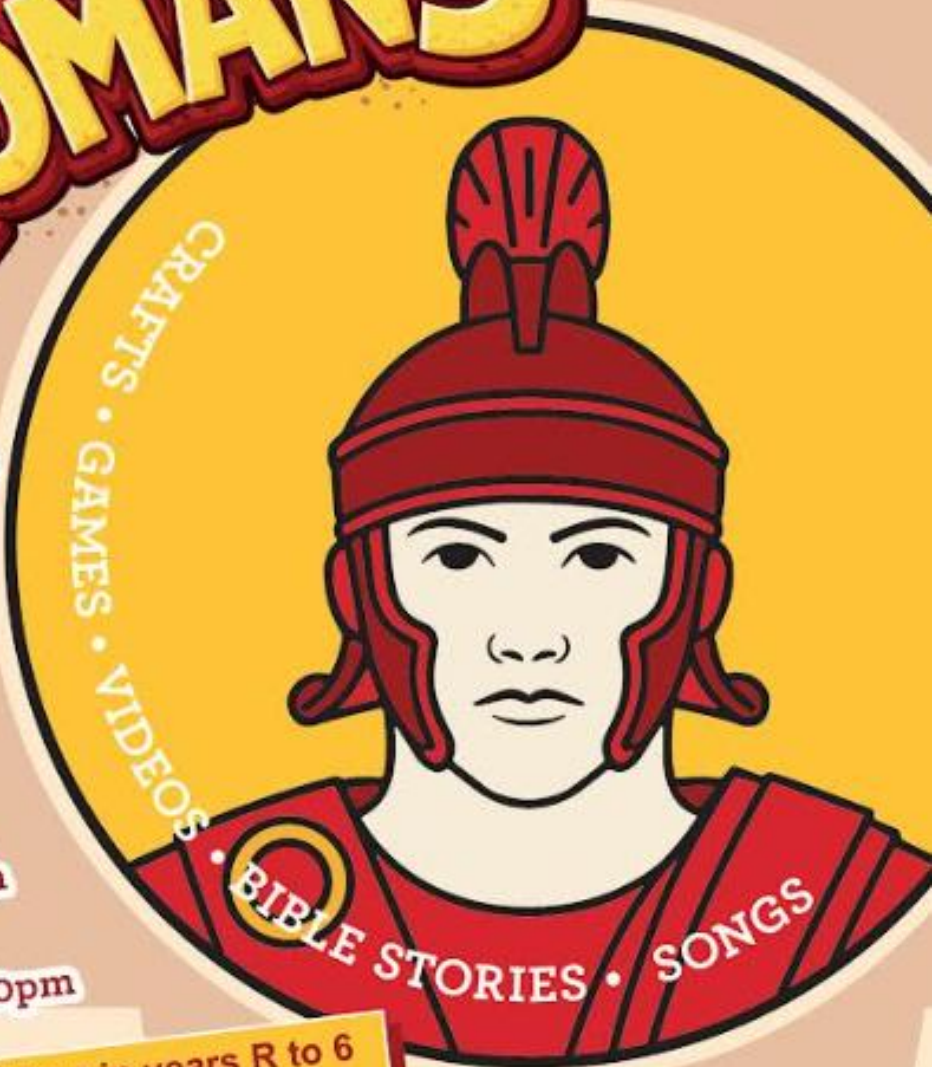
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REMARKABLE ROMANS

Worcester
Park Baptist
Church
Easter
Holiday
Club

Tuesday 7th
to Friday 10th
April
10am to 12.30pm



Open to children in years R to 6
£10 per child

Book your space at wpbc.org.uk/easter-club
by Thursday 19th March

More info contact charis@wpbc.org.uk



Would you like your child to join a fun language activity?




King's College London are running interactive language sessions as part of an exciting educational study!

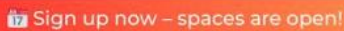
 **Who can take part?**
Children aged **5 years to 5 years 11 months**
English is their first and main language



 **What's involved?**
A 20-minute session in your child's school setting
Engaging, playful activities designed to support learning



 **Stickers as a thank you gift for your child!**

 Sign up now – spaces are open!

Scan the QR code or email us at dorota.gaskins@kcl.ac.uk for more details.



 **KINGSTON CARERS NETWORK**

Update:

Tea and toast



Ahead of Tea and Toast, please note that there will be no parking on site at the Fircroft Community Wellbeing Hub this Friday. There is plenty of parking on the road opposite and main road.

Join us on Friday, 27th February, at The Fircroft Community Wellbeing Hub for an opportunity to connect with other carers over tea and toast. We're pleased to welcome Charlotte Hawkes, Community Engagement Lead at Kingston Council, who will be sharing information about personal assistant support.

Please note that due to the shared venue and other groups meeting on the day, tea and toast will be served between 9.30–10.00am only. The talk will begin promptly at 10.00am.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Cost: £2 per person

When: Friday, 27th February, 9.30-11.30am

Where: [The Fircroft Community Wellbeing Hub](#), 96 Ditton Road, Surbiton, KT6 6RH