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#### **Eco Warriors**

Our new Eco Warriors have come to save the day! Introducing the amazing crew of environmental advocates, proudly holding our award-winning 2023 Green Flag Award. Our Eco Warriors engage in activities that promote environmental sustainability and play an active role in helping the school (and home) become more eco-friendly. They take on the responsibility of expressing their own views, but also the views of their peers as well as passing on information from eco meetings. As an Eco Warrior, a pupil develops skills such as confidence, communication and negotiation.

## **Forest School**

Reception embarked on a memorable adventure at Forest School. The children created mud soup, mixing leaves, twigs, and a sprinkle of forest treasures. They used logs, branches and fallen leaves to build nests, houses, and cafes. With ropes strung between trees, the young adventurers tested their balance and agility. By pushing logs and balancing on ropes, they do not only boost their physical confidence but realise the importance of concentration and coordination.



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# Newsletter

# Charity **Assembly**

The Junior House and members of KCF warmly welcomed Sona from Skylarks Charity to receive our fundraising cheque of £23,000 for last year's fundraising activities. Sona explained how the monies raised will support children with additional needs. The cheque, donated through the work of KCF, was raised by the pupils and parents of the school and the matched funding achieved through Mr and Mrs Kam Paniellis' employer. In return, Skylarks thoughtfully gifted Kew College Prep a wooden birdhouse. We look forward to greeting more feathered friends soon!



### Visit to National Archives

As part of their Project Based Learning, Year 3 attended an interactive 'Spirit of Invention' workshop at The National Archives. The pupils explored invention plans from 150 years ago and had fun guessing the purpose and usefulness of these Victorian inventions. They had the opportunity to discover and experiment with a variety of materials and projects in the 'Invention Room' followed by an action-packed collaborative session. using their Critical Thinking Toolbox to create their very own inventions!





# Roald Dahl Day

Last week we celebrated Roald Dahl Day with themed library lessons for our Junior House, including voting for our favourite Roald Dahl book (Matilda scored highly!), a 'How well do you know Roald Dahl?' guiz and a lively debate with Year 6 as to whether Roald Dahl books should be re-written with less offensive language. Lots of Roald Dahl books were borrowed to take home after this fun start to the new term in the Library!



# **Bushcraft Residential Trip**

Year 6 children recently spent two days in Blenheim Woods, Oxfordshire, for their Bushcraft residential. One of the first skills they learned was how to safely light a fire without the aid of matches. When the fires were lit, children cooked their own delicious burgers. The warm weather, coupled with the heat of the fire, meant that the suggestion of a water fight was extremely well-received, and it was a 'staff versus children' battle with both teams getting thoroughly soaked. The children also learned how to make shelters using foraged wood, how to make clean drinking water and how to create craftily cunning. It was a magical adventure with perfect weather, wonderful camp leaders and a terrific group of children!

