



Walk to School News

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Get set for challenge day

Our school needs your help to be crowned Challenge Day champions!

This week we need everyone to leave the car at home and either walk, cycle, scooter or park and stride to school to become the greenest pupils in the county.

Our top class will not only win the Green Class of the Week trophy, they also have the chance to receive tickets to Leeds Castle to be invited to a special celebration. The winners might even have their photo featured in our local KM newspaper. Later in the term a winning class in the area will receive free ice skating vouchers.

The challenges are managed by the KM Charity Team, who run Super WOW!, Walking Bus and Green Footsteps, as well as home reading scheme Buster's Book Club.

Parents and carers can sign up to the monthly e-newsletter KM Link to receive Walk to School news and competitions. More information can be found at www.kmwalktoschool.co.uk



A green celebration



Key Partner



Nominations can now be made for the Green School Awards.

If you are involved with an initiative to make the school or home a greener place, whether it be improving recycling, nature conservation or energy conservation - or perhaps you are involved with a walk to school scheme - then we want to know about it, so submit your nomination now.

Your nomination could focus on the adults or pupils leading the scheme or perhaps on what the initiative has achieved.

The closing date for nominations is 11 December 2016. For more information or to submit an entry visit www.greenschoolawards.co.uk

Storytime

KM Walk to School pupils have the opportunity to win storytelling sessions with special guests or celebrities.

Top classes during Challenge Day events will be in with a chance of winning this amazing prize so let's make sure our school is a contender! Simply ask a parent or guardian to leave the car at home on the day and use green travel to arrive for learning instead.

Keep your eyes peeled for future newsletters containing details of upcoming storytime prizes, and find out more information at www.kmwalktoschool.co.uk

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Get creative in the kitchen

Pupils and parents can get involved with KM Kent Cooks 2016 as a family.

The annual competition for budding young cooks aged from six to 19 years is now open for entry. Children can enter on their own or parents or guardians can join in the fun by teaming up with their child for the 'Family' category. Older siblings are also welcome to showcase their menus for the 'Primary' and 'Secondary' school categories.

The contest helps children have fun whilst developing two important life skills – cooking and healthy eating. Finalists will have the chance to cook in a thrilling competition environment similar to popular TV show Masterchef, preparing their menus for a panel of judges.

Every entry will be published on the Kent Cooks website and the winners will receive a share of £500!

It's so easy to enter. Simply upload your recipe to www.kentcooks.co.uk along with a photograph of your dish, as well as one of the chef with the dish. All entries must be received by 1st November.

Be the boss of KMFM

One lucky pupil will have the chance to become boss of KMFM – home of Kent's Biggest Hits – for a day by taking part in our exciting new writing competition.



Whoever provides the best entry will be treated to an action-packed day as they take charge of KMFM and get to work with the DJs, presenters and staff running the popular radio station. The new boss will get an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at the radio

station and be involved in programme creation, management meetings and possibly even create their own broadcast clip to play on air!

To enter, all children need to do is compose a letter persuading their best friend to join them on the walk to school. The piece of work must be written on a special activity sheet called 'The Power of Persuasion' which can be downloaded for free at: www.kmcharityteam.co.uk/writingcomp

All entries must be received by 12th December.

Your chance to be a champion

Groups of pupils such as School Councils or eco committees have the chance to become Green Champions by taking on a child-led whole school initiative to raise the profile or develop green ideas in school. The KM Charity Team's Green Champion pack has great ideas to assist, but pupils can dream up their own initiative. The best projects will win their children limited edition Green Champion T-shirts. For info visit kmcharityteam.co.uk

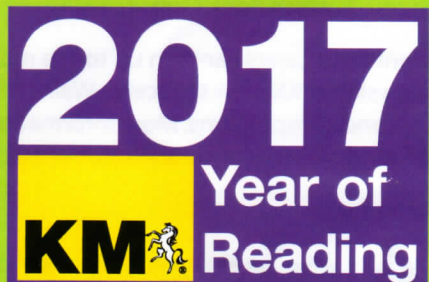


Have you got the x-factor?

The time has come for pupils to practice their performances ahead of the KM Walk to School Song Contest 2017.

The event's organisers have announced the song to cover is "Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah" from Disney's Song of the South. The top choirs will be invited to IMP Recording Studio to professionally record their version of the track – and the overall winners will get to perform live at two major events in 2017.

For more information on how to take part, visit www.kmwalktoschool.co.uk and search 'Song Contest'.



The KM Group have agreed to make 2017 their Year of Reading!

This means schools using KM Charity Team initiatives will have the opportunity for their work to be showcased across print and online media.

KM Walk to School pupils will benefit from the campaign by gaining more chances to win great prizes and experiences, such as the Be the Boss for a Day creative contests.

To find out more, ask a parent or guardian to download the information pack by at www.kmcharityteam.co.uk



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