



King's Academy **Easthampstead Park**

It takes a whole community to raise a child.

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1 October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Criss-Cross Day - Thursday 17 October 2024

Thursday, 17 October sees your child's first experience of a King's Academy Easthampstead Park (KAEP) Criss-Cross Day. Criss-Cross days allow students to participate in cross-curricular opportunities that they would not normally get the chance to undertake during the usual school curriculum. The school day is collapsed and students work in groups on various challenges that are designed to develop different life skills.

During this Criss-Cross day, Year 7 students will be undertaking a variety of activities based around cycling within the community. Students will learn how to complete a safety check on their bike and repair a puncture, will complete a cycling themed arts and crafts session and undertake a cycling event. Students who already have these skills will be used as experts to help their peers reach the same level of understanding as them.

The cycle event will take place around Jennett's Park, Peacock Meadow. Students will ride as many laps as possible around the path on Peacock Meadow in order to physically challenge themselves and be awarded as many house points as possible. As part of our school's sustainable transport initiative, students who have their own bike should bring them to school to use during the day (if they are safe to do so!). The school does not have any bikes to lend students so students will also be able to walk, jog or run the same course. We will be insisting that students wear a cycle helmet while using their bike and will not allow students to cycle during the event without one.

Your child should arrive at school in their PE kit for the day. It is an active day so they must be comfortable. If the weather looks bad, we advise they bring a warm coat, a hat and gloves too.

Please complete the reply slip below and **return it to your child's tutor by Friday 4 October**, to indicate all your parental decisions, to help with grouping students on the day. Should your child not return their slip, they will walk the route around Peacock Meadow rather than cycle.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate contact Mr Lake at richard.lake@kgaeasthampstead.uk.

Yours faithfully

Miss S Burrows
Head of Physical Education

Please return to your child's tutor by Friday 4 October
FAO Miss S Burrows - PE Department

Name of child: Tutor group: 7D.....

My child will be taking part in the cycling activities on Thursday 17 October 2024.

- My child will be cycling the 1 mile circuit at Peacock Meadow.
- My child will be walking, jogging or running the circuit at Peacock Meadow.

Signed: Date:



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