

Kenningtons Primary Academy

Newsletter

10th May 2024



At last, I am writing a newsletter in the Summer Term and the sun is shining. I imagine there will be lots of Barbecues and Paddling pools getting their first outing this weekend.

Over the last two weeks Year 4, Reception and Year 3 have been on trips. Year 3 made a visit to the British Museum last week. I remember this trip when I was in Year 7 at secondary school. Seeing the Mummies and Sarcophagus was a very overwhelming experience and really brought such ancient history to life. I hope that the year 3 children had the same experience. Reception made the journey to Wat Tyler Park and Year 4 have been to Colchester Castle – making most of their journey on what would have been the original Roman Road. I continue to use the school budget to subsidise school trips, as they are such an integral part of our excellent curriculum offer. I have put aside money in next year's budget to do the same and hope to keep the cost to parents as low as possible.

Next week our year 6 pupils will be taking their end of KS2 SATS. The pupils and teachers have been working exceptionally hard to ensure that they get the best results that they can. I have lots of confidence in their ability to shine and demonstrate all they have learnt in the past 7 years. We wish them lots of luck.

We have had visits from an EYFS and SEND consultant over the last two weeks. Their views on the school were overwhelmingly positive. It is important that even though our recent inspection was excellent, we do not rest on our laurels. Therefore, any recommendations will be actioned to ensure that provision for our children is even better.

Finally, I received some exciting news today, the school has been nominated for an award from our collaboration with The Royal Opera House. The award ceremony is on the 5th June – fingers crossed!

Mrs Sawtell-Haynes

Dates for your diary

13 th – 24 th May	Year 4. Swimming Lessons. In School (please pack everything your child needs)
13 th – 16 th May	Year 6. SAT's. In School
Wed 15 th May	4M. Pizza Express. Lakeside
Thurs 16 th May	Year 2. Southend Beach & Pier. Southend
20 th – 24 th May	Year 6. Stubbers
Thurs 23 rd May	Year 1. Life in a Fairytale Castle. In School
	Nursery. The Tiger who came for Tea reading. In School
Fri 24 th May	Year 5. Tower of London. London
	Reception. Circus Workshop. In School
Mon 27 th May	BANK HOLIDAY
28 th – 31 st May	HALF TERM
3 rd June	Inset Day
4 th June	Back to School

We still have some places for our Nursery in September 2024. Please complete the application form and hand it to the Main Reception if you would like your little one to join Kenningtons Nursery.



Please can I ask parents to be mindful of local residence and pedestrians when parking close to school. It has been reported to me that parents are blocking the pavements and so that children have to walk in the road, which is unsafe. Thank you for your cooperation. **Mrs Sawtell-Haynes**

Fabulous Feedback

Head over to the website to see some of the fabulous comments that have been left about your school. Look in the 'About Us' Tab

<https://www.kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk/about-us/fabulous-feedback>

For Job descriptions and photos of more of our Pupils with responsibilities, head over to our website and click on the 'Pupils Tab':

<https://www.kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk/pupils/pupil-responsibility>



Employees of the Week

Khadija – Salad Bar



For always working incredibly hard, with enthusiasm and commitment and speaking to the children about the different salad that is available at lunch times.

Marisa – Blogger



For being extremely enthusiastic when blogging on Google Classroom about her favourite thing food! She is very eager to share with the school her thoughts on different items of food that she has tried and is very committed to her role.

Headteacher Awards

I know when to say sorry
and how to show others I
am sorry

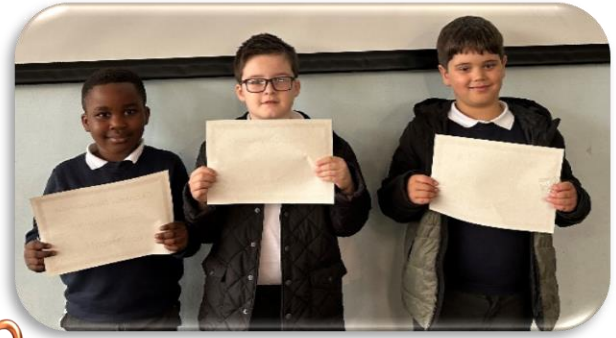


I understand that being
kind to others makes
others happy and makes
me feel good



Merit Awards

The merit system has been designed to encourage, reward and promote exemplary work and good behaviour. It has also been designed to give recognition to pupils who make a positive contribution to the school that may otherwise go unnoticed.



Bronze = 50 merits (bronze certificate and bronze badge)



Silver = 60 merits (silver certificate and silver badge)



Well Done Elsie – you have earned the first Gold Award of the year!



Gold = 75 merits (gold certificate, gold badge and a special trip reward)

We have a new dinner menu !



Next week, we are on week 2 of the NEW Summer Menu

Click on the link below to look at the menus:

<https://www.kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk/information-for-parents/school-meals>



Jewellery

Because of health and safety regulations, we do not allow any jewellery to be worn in school.

The exception to this is a wristwatch and a small pair of studs, which should be practical to wear and not a fashion item. If a child has forgotten to remove an item of jewellery prior to arrival at school, we will ask them to remove the item and take it to the office for safe keeping until it can be collected at the end of the day.

If jewellery is worn as a religious requirement, please contact the Headteacher to discuss this matter.

MAY HALF TERM SWIMMING COURSE

SWIM IN SCHOOLS

DETAILS

Tuesday 28th May - 31st May 2024
£40 per person

Kenningtons Primary Academy
Tamar Drive, Aveley
RM15 4NB

Book here

WHY US

- Low class ratio 5:1.
- 2 swimming teachers to 10 pupils.
- Small private pool.
- A personal swimming environment making it less overwhelming to support children with anxiety.
- Heated Pool

OUR OTHER SERVICES

- Small group sessions.
- 1:1 swimming lessons.
- Private pool parties.
- Toddler sessions

INFO

swiminschools@prosports-solutions.co.uk
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WORLD BAKING DAY

17TH MAY 2024

World Baking Day is celebrated annually on the third Sunday in May and is the day for everyone to bake something.

You can help our clients enjoy this same luxury by donating any of the following items

CAKE MIX	NUTELLA	JAM / SPREADS
DRIED FRUIT	FLOUR	LONG LIFE MILK
CHOCOLATE	SUGAR	BISCUITS

If you can help, please donate your items to one of our drop off points or to our warehouse. Thurrock Foodbank, 2-4 Chase Road, Corringham, Essex, SS17 7QH

Confidence Building Fun

Try a **FREE** drama class

— My children have developed self-confidence, ease while speaking in public and a love of performing, which will be beneficial to them no matter what they choose to do for a career. Geraldine Zolynski



Reawaken your child's imagination

Perform's drama, dance and singing classes use the performing arts to

- ▶ Build confidence
- ▶ Boost concentration
- ▶ Enhance coordination
- ▶ Develop communication skills



Why try Perform?

- ▶ Unique performing arts-based games and exercises
- ▶ Focus on a different social skill each week
- ▶ Covid safe – full details at perform.org.uk/covid
- ▶ Small classes and feedback on your child's progress
- ▶ Specially created scripts, videos and apps to support your child's learning
- ▶ End of term presentation for family and friends



— I'm very impressed by the thoughtful way each session is run. It is great to know that Ethan is not just being 'entertained' for the hour but proactively being taught new life skills. Kate Whyley



Try Perform for FREE

Your child can come and try a class for FREE and there's no obligation to join afterwards. With almost 500 Perform schools, find your nearest and book online at perform.org.uk/free

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Child Absence: Study Bugs App

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