

# Kenningtons Primary Academy

Autumn Term Newsletter 20th November 2015 www.kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk

# DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 26th November: KS2 Cross Country, Blackshots / Nursery Dress Up Day Friday 27th November: Nursery Stay and Play Day Wednesday 2nd December: Kenningtons vs. Little Thurrock Football (Away) Tuesday 1st December: Year 1 Florence Nightingale Workshop (in school event) / Year 6 Imperial War Museum Trip Wednesday 2nd December: Year 3 Interhouse Thursday 3rd December: Dodgeball Tournament, Hassenbrook Wednesday 16th December: Christmas Dinner Day / Christmas Dress Up Day / Christmas Evening Event Thursday 17th December: Christmas Craft Afternoon Friday 18th December: Christmas Jumper Day (£1 donation) / Last Day of Term

# Parent Consultation Day - Friday 4th December 2015

Parent Consultation Day will take place on <u>Friday 4th December 2015</u>. Parents can book 15 minute appointments to meet with their child's teachers between <u>8:30am and 3:45pm</u>.

Appointment slots are available on ParentMail from Friday 20th November. All appointments must be booked via ParentMail.

On Parent Consultation Day all parents must enter through the <u>Main School Entrance</u> and sign in at the <u>School Office</u> before making their way to their appointments.

## Individual Pupil and Sibling Photographs

Today, 20th November, our pupils had their individual and sibling photographs taken in school. Proofs of the photographs and order forms will be sent home to parents.

If you wish to order photographs please return your order form and payment to the Kenningtons School Office <u>no later than Thursday 3rd</u> <u>December</u>.

Orders cannot be accepted through the school after 3rd December. This means you will need to order online and pay a postage charge if you wish to order after this date.

## Parent Drop In Sessions

Parent drop in sessions will be held from 3:15pm-4:00pm on the days specified below:

Reception (Kingfishers/Koalas) - Tuesday 24th November 2015 1G - Monday 23rd November 2015 2G - Thursday 26th November 2015 3H - Friday 27th November 2015 4BW - Tuesday 24th November 2015 5M - Monday 23rd November 2015 6K - Tuesday 24th November 2015



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## **Term Time Holiday**

We would like to remind parents that as a school we do not authorise term time holiday. This is a decision taken by the Governing Body and is in line with Government focus on improving attendance in schools. This has been publicised in our School Handbook and our Attendance Policy on our school website.

#### http://kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk/Handbook http://kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk/Policies-and-Reports

It is part of our school ethos and values that children are supported to attend school every day.

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The Local Authority will issue penalty notices to the parents of children whom they deem to have unacceptable levels of absence.

#### Parent Governor Election

We received one uncontested nomination for the position of Parent Governor.

Our School Governors welcome Ms Shayo Anjonrin-Ohu to the Governing Body.

#### Late Packed Lunches

Packed lunches which are delivered to the school office after Morning Registration create complications during the school day for office staff and on occasion are not collected by their owners - who then spend the afternoon hungry.

It has been in place since 2nd February 2015 that any pupil who is not signed up for a school lunch or due to go home for lunch, and who has no packed lunch with them at Morning Registration, will be signed up for a school dinner which parents are expected to pay for.

Please do not approach the school office to accept a late packed lunch as they are not permitted to do so and this puts them in an unfair and tricky situation. Packed-lunches must be with children when they enter the school site from 8:45am.



## Tree Planting

On Monday 16th October, some children across the school and many of their parents and grandparents spent the afternoon planting a range of tree saplings that the school had received from the Woodland Trust. Everyone worked very hard to tidy the evolving woodland area and plant the trees. The afternoon was rounded off with a welcomed hot chocolate and hot dog from the BBQ.

A big thank you to all of the children and the adults for their hard work and for such an enjoyable afternoon!