

Kenningtons Primary Academy

Autumn Term Newsletter 16th September 2016 www.kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk

Dates to Remember

19th September 2016 - After school clubs begin 21st September 2016 - Governor Attendance Panel 23rd September 2016 - Year 1 Great Fire of London Event (in school) 23rd September 2016 - Jeans for Genes day (£1 donation) 30th September 2016 - Home Football Match 3rd October 2016 - Year 6 Natural History Museum 5th October 2016 - Year 6 Interhouse 7th October 2016 - Year 5/6 Football Tournament @St Cleres 21st October 2016 - Year 4 Greek Experience (in school) 4th November 2016 - School photographs (individual and sibling) 2nd December 2016 - After school clubs finish

Parent Drop In Sessions

Teachers will hold their next Parent Drop In sessions from 3:15pm-4:00pm on the days specified below:

> Kangaroo - Tuesday 20th September 1M/1K - Monday 19th September 2BW/2M - Thursday 22nd September 3H - Monday 19th September 4W - Tuesday 20th September 5B - Tuesday 20th September Year 6 (6K/6N) - Tuesday 20th September

Please check next week's newsletter for details of Drop Ins for week commencing 26th September 2016.

Who has won the Attendance Trophy this week?

Our winners of the Attendance Trophy this week are $\underline{2BW}$ in KS1 and $\underline{6N}$ in KS2.

Well done to our winning classes.

Good luck for next week everyone!



Parent Handbook 2016-17

Our updated Parent Handbook for 2016-17 will be issued next week on the school website and via ParentMail. Please refer to the Parent Handbook for information about all aspects of school life, including communications, uniform, visitor expectations, staff lists and more.

In the meantime please email **enquiries@kenningtons.thurrock.sch.uk** with any queries or refer to the school website.





Helping children to get better and better at everything they do

Walk the World - South Africa

We have re-launched 'Walk the World' for 2016-17 and have managed just over 2,000 miles between us in the past two weeks. Our total miles took us to South Africa in assembly this week. Pupils learned about the school system in South Africa and took a quick photo tour around some of the dramatic landscape scenery including Table Mountain.

Waiting and Parking

All parents are reminded of the need to be considerate to others while using the roads around the school. Please ensure that you do not inconvenience local residents or other parents by the location in which you choose to park your car. Be safe and be legal! Local residents and parents are advised to contact Thurrock Council with any complaints regarding inconsiderate or dangerous driving and parking behaviour.



The End of the School Day

We ask that parents please bear in mind that KS1 and KS2 children are still learning up to the 3:15pm pick-up time. Please keep younger siblings away from the school buildings and <u>do not permit them to play on</u> <u>ramps or steps by school entrances</u> as this is unsafe and makes noise which disturbs pupils in class. Under no circumstances should younger siblings or parents enter the school buildings while waiting to collect pupils.

Please ensure you inform the school office in the morning if your child will be collected by a different adult to usual after school.

Early Collection

We would like to remind parents that early collection on Friday is not permitted without evidence of a medical appointment. This follows on from the level of disruption that early collection causes to learning.



Time to Read

The Book Trust have produced a wonderful set of resources and tips on their 'Time to Read' project website to help families enjoy reading together. Not just younger children, the older ones too! Their first challenge: Could you find 10 minutes a day to share a story together?

http://www.booktrust.org.uk/programmes/primary/time-to-read

Mathlete of The Week

1B - Ilcho 1K - Phoenix 1M - Brian 2M - Raymond 2BW - Lewis 2M - Ruby 3SB - Divine 3H- Samuel 4C - Molly 4W - Priscilla 5J - Luke 5M - Andrei 6K - Stephen 6N - Kasey

Our Mathletes of the week are congratulated in assembly on Friday and entered into a lucky draw for the KS1 and KS2 medals.

Headteacher's Awards

This week our focus was **'Learning from Mistakes'** Well done to...

> Elsie 1B Emily 1K Shay 1M Jason 2BW Lewis 2BW Aboo 2M Annie 2Ma Victoria 3H Jaden 3SB Tianna 3SB Joseph 4C Dylan 4W Emilia 5J Kessie 5M Rohith 5M Nikita 6K Madison 6N



The Health Spot: Packed Lunch Inspiration

Pasta Salad - cook pasta, drain and cool in cold water and add in tuna/ ham/chopped pepper/peas e.t.c.

Sandwich Rolls - made with bread or tortilla - pop a chunk of cucumber/ carrot in the middle for shape.





Pick n Mix Lunch - Baby pots and creative shape cutting to make the traditional sandwiches and fruit and vegetable combinations more appealing for little fingers.

http://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/school-packed-lunch-inspiration https://realfood.tesco.com/search.html?Collection=Kids%27%20lunchbox

Resources from the NSPCC

The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children have put together a number of online resources for parents to help them keep children safe and talk about their concerns.

Keeping children safe online -

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

NSPCC Helplines -

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/services-and-resources/nspcc-helpline/

The PANTS rule (Talking PANTS teaches children important messages, like their body belongs to them and they should tell an adult if they're upset or worried) -

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/underwear-rule/

Upcoming Senior School Open Evenings

Frances Bardsley Academy -Tuesday 20th September

Hathaway Academy -Tuesday 20th September

James Hornsby School -Wednesday 21st September

Grays Convent High School -Thursday 22nd September

Brentwood County High -Saturday 24th September

Hassenbrook Academy -Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th September

Gaynes School -Wednesday 28th September

Gable Hall School - Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th October

[Please check the individual school websites for further details]

