



Kenningtons Primary Academy



Spring Term Newsletter 17th March 2017

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Dates to Remember

Monday 20th March 2017 - Rainbow '5 a day' Fruit Event
Tuesday 21st March and Wednesday 22nd March 2017 - Year 4 Level 1 Cycling
Wednesday 22nd March and Thursday 23rd March 2017 - Mothers' Day Stall
Thursday 23rd March 2017 - Nursery Intake Meeting
Friday 24th March 2017 - Parent Consultation Day (School Closed to Pupils)
Monday 27th March 2017 - Year 1 Trip to Museum of Childhood
Friday 31st March 2017 - Year 4 Trip to Kew Gardens, London
Friday 31st March 2017 - Easter Egg-imal Competition / Donate an Easter Egg Day
Friday 31st March 2017 - Last Day of Spring Term
Monday 3rd April to Monday 17th April 2017 - Easter Holidays
Tuesday 18th April 2017 - Pupils return for Summer Term

Parent Drop In Sessions

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

Koala / Kookaburra - Tuesday 28th March
1B - Monday 27th March
2Ma - Thursday 23rd March
3SB- Monday 27th March
4C - Tuesday 28th March
5B - Tuesday 28th March
Year 6 (6K/6N) - Tuesday 28th March

Please check the newsletter next Friday for details of Parent Drop In Sessions w/c 27th March 2017.

Mothers' Day Stall

There will be a Mothers Day Stall for pupils on Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd March during morning breaktime only. The gifts will be £1 each and pupils may buy one present only on the first day (they may buy a second gift on Thursday if there are any left). Please make sure your child's pound is in a named envelope and that they bring a carrier bag for the gift.

Money must be sent in in the morning with your child. **The School Office staff are not permitted to accept Mothers' Day gift money for pupils.**

Hayfever Medications in School

Hayfever season is approaching! Parents are reminded that if pupils require medication during the school day this should be brought to the school office and a form completed by a parent or guardian. Eye drops and other medications can be stored in the First Aid room for when they are required by pupils. Please do not send pupils into school with medication in their book bags.



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Class Photographs 2017

Last year parents and guardians were given the chance to vote on whether they would prefer the class photographs to be taken by a member of school staff (and emailed to parents/guardians for free) or taken by a professional photography company.

This year we would also like to offer parents and guardians the chance to express an opinion on this. Please let us know your preference in our online survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/5M2LSV3>

Due to parent feedback, we will not be re-contracting the photography company behind the individual pupil photographs in November 2016. We will be looking for a new photography company this year.

Tissue Box Rota 2016/17

~~October - Year 6~~

~~November - Year 5~~

~~December - Year 4~~

~~January - Year 3~~

~~February - Year 2~~

March - Year 1

April - Reception



Each month we ask that a different year group please donate tissue boxes to help us combat the winter sniffles in

Mathlete of The Week

Well done to our Mathlete's of the week!

Kookaburra - Isabella-Maria

Koalas - Marcel

Kangaroos - Bhavishan

1B - Victor

1K - Phoenix

1M - Daniel

2M - Pragnasri

2BW - Toni

2Ma - Harry

3SB - Kieran

3H- Tobi

4C - Paige

4W - Priscilla

5B - Ethan

5J - Elsie

5M - Max

6K - Stephen

6N - Danane

Headteacher's Award

Our focus this week was 'Accepting Feedback'

Well done to:

1B - Hannah

1K - Oscar

1M - Daniel

2BW - Lennon

2BW - Teddy

2Ma - Grace

2Me - Adrija

3H - Xavier

3SB - Indiana

4C - Damisi

4W - Ellie

5B - Evie

5B - Sara

5J - Darius

5M - Lukas

6K - Max

6N - Megan

E-Safety Tip: NSPCC App Check

The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) have put together a website to enable parents to check that the

Apps their children are using are age-appropriate. Parents are reminded that popular sites such Facebook and Youtube should not be used by children under the age of 13 (i.e. no pupil in Kenningtons should have a profile!)

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/?order=title>

Hair Ornaments

Our School Handbook states that hairstyles should not be attention seeking or extreme, and we would like to emphasise that this applies to hair ornaments as well as hairstyling.

Recently a trend has developed for wearing large bows, feathers and other hair ornaments and we ask that parents please bear in mind that hair ornaments should be functional (and in school colours - blue, grey, white) rather than large and attention seeking.

Easter Eggstravaganza

Easter Competition - Making Egg-imals

We are holding an Egg-imal competition on the last day of term, 31st March 2017, for Reception to Year 6. Pupils are challenged to use an egg (or eggs!) to create their very own Egg-imals.

Please bring in competition entries on the morning of 31st March 2017 before school starts and complete a competition entry slip. There will be a prize for the best Egg-imals in each year group. Good luck everyone!



Easter Egg Donations

We are collecting Easter Egg donations on behalf of Thurrock Foodbank. If you would like to donate an Easter Egg please bring it to the School Office by 31st March 2017.





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The Health Spot: Healthy and Nutritious Packed Lunches

A good packed lunch is really important to help pupils refuel for their afternoon learning. A healthy packed lunch should include:

- **starchy food, e.g. wholegrain roll, tortilla wraps, pitta pocket, pasta or rice salad;**
- **lean meat, fish or alternative, e.g. chicken, ham, beef, tuna, egg, beans or hummus;**
- **plenty of fruit and vegetables, e.g. banana and apple, Satsuma, handful of cherry tomatoes or carrot sticks, small tub of fruit salad or small box of raisins;**
- **portion of dairy, e.g. reduced fat cheese, yoghurt or fromage frais;**
- **drink of water. (Water provided in the dining room for all pupils. No other drinks are permitted.)**

A healthy lunch does not mean giving up all the foods that children enjoy. One treat in a packed lunch will be ok, e.g. a small packet of low fat or baked crisps, a chocolate biscuit or a piece of cake. It is important to focus on including foods that are nutritious and filling (e.g. cheese or ham) rather than those with less nutritional value (e.g. chocolate spread or jam).

There are some handy lunchbox inspirations to be found on the Change4Life website at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life-beta/healthier-lunchboxes#9RrEtVocQ7DMpPb8.97>