



# Kenningtons Primary Academy



Spring Term Newsletter 9th February 2018

[www.kenningtonprimaryacademy.co.uk](http://www.kenningtonprimaryacademy.co.uk)

## Dates to Remember

**Monday 12th February-Friday 16th February 2018** - February Half Term Holiday

**Monday 19th February 2018** - Non-Pupil Inset Day

**Tuesday 20th February 2018** - Pupils return for Spring Term 2

**Tuesday 20th February 2018** - Kookaburra Learning Journey 1

**Wednesday 21st February 2018** - Kookaburra Learning Journey 2

**Thursday 22nd February 2018** - Kangaroo Learning Journey 1

**Thursday 22nd February 2018** - Football Tournament @ WHU Foundation

**Friday 23rd February 2018** - Kangaroo Learning Journey 2

**Thursday 1st March 2018** - World Book Day (Heroes and Villains!)

**Friday 2nd March 2018** - Koala Learning Journey 1

**Monday 5th March 2018** - Koala Learning Journey 2

**Tuesday 6th March 2018** - Year 5 Tower of London Trip

**Thursday 22nd March 2018** - Nursery Intake Meeting

**Thursday 22nd March 2018** - Donations of Easter Eggs for Thurrock Food-bank

**Friday 23rd March 2018** - Parent Consultation Day



The final **Reception Road Safety Walk** took place today. Thank you all parents and guardians who have attended the Reception Road Safety walks to help teach Reception children about Road Safety with the Thurrock Road Safety Team!

## Parent Drop In Sessions

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

**Kangaroos - Tuesday 20th February**

**1K - Monday 26th February**

**2TJ - Tuesday 20th February**

**3S - Tuesday 20th February**

**4OC - Tuesday 20th February**

**5W - Tuesday 20th February**

**6FH / 6K - Thursday 22nd February**

Please check our newsletter on 23rd February 2018 for details of further Parent Drop In sessions.

## World Book Day - Writing Competition

Our World Book Day (1st March 2018) theme is "Heroes and Villains!" As part of our celebrations, we are challenging pupils to write a poem about a Hero or a Villain. The Hero or Villain can be real or imaginary, and the poems do not have to rhyme! We are looking forward to receiving a huge variety of poems for the competition. There will be three winners in KS1 and three winners in KS2. Winners will receive a Lakeside voucher,



To enter, pupils need to type or hand-write their poem (making sure they put their full name and class on the paper!) and hand it in to their class teacher by Monday 26th February 2018. The winners will be announced on World Book Day. Good luck everyone!



*Helping children to get better and better at everything they do*



## Democracy Week at Kenningtons

Monday 5th February to Friday 9th February 2018 was Democracy Week at Kenningtons. We planned a Red and Pink non-uniform day for Friday 9th February 2018 and turned things over to the pupils to decide which charity will receive their non-uniform day donations.

The pupils on our Pupil Leadership Team were tasked with selecting local charities to campaign for. Four of our Pupil Leadership 'candidates' then visited each class in school to campaign for their chosen charity.

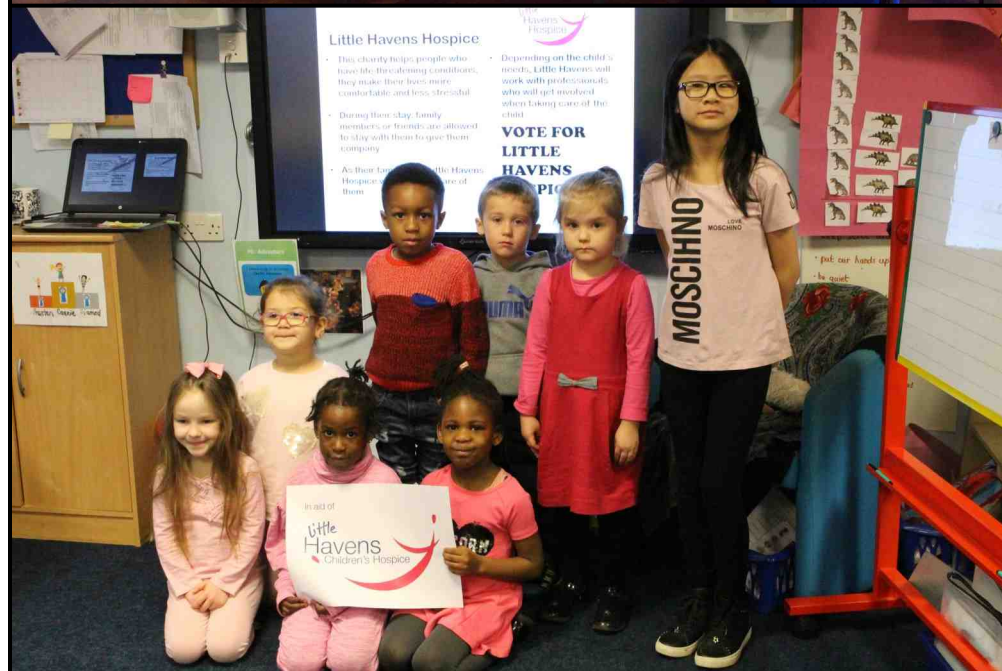
Vibhaas (6FH) campaigned for St Luke's Hospice (Basildon & Thurrock), Isaac (6N) campaigned for The Special Needs Activity Club (SNAC, Basildon & Thurrock), Sabrina (6K) campaigned for Little Havens Hospice (Essex) and Emilia (6N) campaigned for Thurrock Mind (Thurrock)

St Luke's Hospice (Basildon and Thurrock)		
SNAC		
Little Havens Hospice		
Thurrock Mind		

Pupils 'went to the polls' on Thursday 8th February 2018 (with Reception and Year 2 voting by 'post'!). A copy of the voting slip is above. Votes were counted that afternoon and the results announced in assembly.

Pupils were happy to learn that Little Havens Hospice had won the popular vote, however everybody agreed that all the charities represented were very worthy and that the Pupil Leadership Team had done a good job campaigning for their selected charities.

We are delighted to confirm that proceeds from today's Red and Pink non-uniform day will be donated to Little Havens Hospice. Congratulations to Sabrina (6K) (Pictured left, with some of her constituents!) for her successful campaign. Thank you to all pupils who have taken part in Democracy Week!





# Thurrock Children's Choir



**Calling All Aspiring Young Singers In Thurrock**

*(Aged 8-12 years)*

**Date: Monday Evenings (Term Time Only)**

**Time: 5.30 pm—6.30 pm**

**Venue: Palmers College (Grays)**

**Cost: No fees apply**

**To book an audition contact:  
Thurrock Music Services on  
music.services@thurrock.gov.uk  
or call 01375 413681**

Supported using public funding by  
ARTS COUNCIL  
ENGLAND



thurrock.gov.uk

## The ICT Spot - Safer Internet Day at Kenningtons!

Safer Internet Day 2018 was celebrated globally on Tuesday 6th February 2018 with the slogan "Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you".

More than a thousand organisations across the UK got involved to help inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively and Kenningtons was part of this.

As part of this day, we had an assembly for KS2 children. This included some of our year 6 children taking part in a short play about having respect online.

The children have now been given the opportunity to write their own ending for the story. Entries need to be in by 23rd February 2018.

In the afternoon, all children took part activities linked to the slogan: "Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you".

Take a look at some of our photographs from the day below.

If you would like more information about your child being safe online, then please visit: <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018/safer-internet-day-2018-top-tips-parents-and-carers>



**Mathletes - Well done to our Mathletes of the week!**

	Number of children who scored 50 points or more	Mathlete of the Week
Kookaburras	2	Akshara
Koalas	2	Zane
Kangaroos	1	Victoria
1B	6	Chizaram
1K	3	Aaron
2M	4	Al-Ameen
2Ma	8	Avein
2TJ	5	Lennax
3H	7	Frankie
3N	9	Lewis
3S	7	Aboo
4OC	1	Samuel
4S	9	Divine O
5L	2	Samuel
5W	4	Elizabeth
6FH	2	Luke
6K	4	Max
6N	15	Sara

**Good Egg Awards**

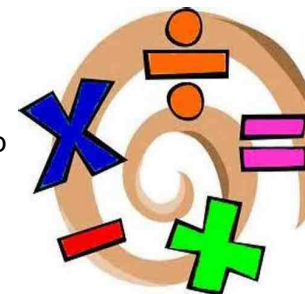
This week our focus was  
**“I know that my actions affect others...”**

- Oliver 1B
- Angel Cherie 1K
- Eva 2Ma
- John 2M
- Yohann 2M
- Isabel 2TJ
- Louisa 3H
- Addison 3N
- Scarlett 3S
- Erkan 4OC
- Mario 4OC
- Divine 4S
- Samuel 4S
- Jayden 5L
- Harry 5W
- Emily 6FH
- Vibhaas 6FH
- Tayah 6N



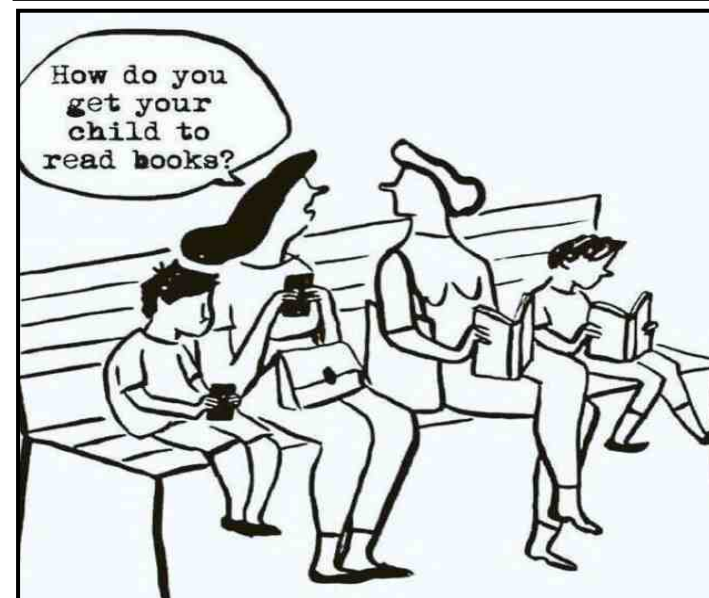
**Mathlete Lucky Dip**

Every week pupils who score over 50 points on Mathematics earn a lucky dip ticket. All of these tickets went into the box for the end of half-term lucky dip in assembly today.



We are delighted to announce that the February 2018 lucky dip winners, and recipients of a £25 Intu Lakeside voucher, were Shay 2Ma and George in 3S. Congratulations!

There will be another lucky dip next half-term, so we hope pupils will continue to work hard to earn those tickets!



**Do not ride bicycles or scooters on the school grounds**

**We would like to wish everybody a lovely half-term break from all the team here at Kenningtons. Have lots of fun, and stay safe!**

**Don't forget, we come back to school on Tuesday 20th February 2018.**