



# Kenningtons Primary Academy



Spring Term Newsletter 24th January 2014

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

28th January 2014—Year 3 Twilight Trail 3:55pm

4th February 2014—Year 3 / 4 Astronomy Roadshow

14th February 2014 - **Non-uniform red and pink day (Guide Dogs for the Blind)**

24th February 2014—**Non pupil day.**

14th March 2014—Year 3/4 Warner Bros trip

18th March 2014—Year 1 Interhouse activity (time to be confirmed)

28th March 2014—Clubs finish

## Drop in sessions next week:

Monday 25th January 2014: **Koala  
4G  
5R**

Tuesday 28th January 2014: **3H**

Thursday 30th January 2014: **1F  
2F  
6B**

## Stubbers Payment

Just to remind you, the next Stubbers payment is due on Friday 24th January 2014. Please pay this via your Parent mail account.  
Thank you.

## Lion King Theatre Trip

Just to remind you that all monies for this trip needs to be paid via Parentmail by 5th February 2014. If monies are not paid by this deadline the tickets will be offered to those on the waiting list.

## PE Kits

Please ensure your child(ren) have the correct PE kit in school with them at all times.

## Lateness

This term we are focusing on reducing lateness. External doors are locked at 8.55am and if you arrive after this time please report to the main reception to register your child.

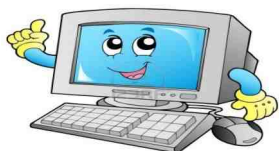
After the first lateness has occurred, any subsequent class time lost, because of lateness, will result in pupils staying in at break to complete the work they missed. Please note the time being paid back will be calculated from when the child gets into their classroom. For instance a pupil arriving at the school office at 9:03am but walking into the classroom at 9:05am will be expected to complete 10 minutes of work at break.

We hope you can support this focus by ensuring your child(ren) are in school on time. Thank you.



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





### Teachermail

We are currently trialling Teachermail. This enables teachers to send you updates about your child's learning.

Please bear with us initially as there may be teething problems! As a trial only a few classes will be using it.

You may receive an email from Parentmail in this respect to verify your email address.

For further information please see [www.parentmail.co.uk/apps/teachers/teachermail](http://www.parentmail.co.uk/apps/teachers/teachermail).

### After School Clubs

Several parents have expressed to us that they would like more opportunities to speak with their child's class teacher.

In order to accommodate this request, we are now running fortnightly drop-in sessions. This means that there are fewer clubs available this term, and some pupils may not have been offered a club.

If gaps arise in any clubs, or additional clubs start, pupils with no club offered will be contacted first.

### Last Day of Term—Friday 4th April 2014

On the last day of term, school will finish at 11:50am.

Families are then invited to attend the Easter cake sale in the afternoon. Details to follow.

This is to ensure that we can spread the 'cafe' throughout the building and avoid the queues!

### Bikes and Scooters

Please ensure that if your child brings a scooter or bike to school, it is securely locked during the school day. Many thanks.



### Modern Foreign Languages

We are excited to inform you that our Year 5 pupils attended their first Spanish lesson at Orminston Park Academy this week. We hope the children enjoyed this experience.

If it is successful, we will be looking into providing this opportunity for other year groups.



### February Half Term Activities

We are now taking bookings for our half term activities.

Please print out your application forms and bring to the school office. If you are unable to do this we have spare ones at reception.

### Free Girls Cricket

6 free sessions of fun skills and games. Ages 11 upwards, no equipment needed. Interested? Please contact Tracey on 07977582678. at The Hathaway Academy Sports Hall, Heathaway Road, Grays RM17 5LL.