



# Kenningtons Primary Academy



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## DATES TO REMEMBER

4th February 2014—**Year 3 Astronomy Roadshow**  
 10th & 14th February 2014—**Year 2 Kerbcraft**  
 14th February 2014 - **Non-uniform red and pink day (Guide Dogs for the Blind)**  
 14th February 2014—**last instalment for Stubbers due**  
 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 3rd February	Kangaroos 4S 5N
Tuesday 4th February	Kookaburras
Thursday 6th February	3R 1B 2M 6C



## 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.

## After School Clubs

Please could we remind parents that we are still awaiting some payments for after school clubs. If your child does not attend their club for three weeks their place will be offered to another child on our waiting list.

## 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).

### **Change4Life**

There is still time to make a healthy change to your family's diet by making a Smart Swap. Join thousands of families and sign up today to get loads of tips and great free goodies like fun fridge magnets and money-off coupons.

New fruit and vegetable boost plan coming soon. Look out for change4life new 28 day plan which is full of useful tips to help you and your family get the most out of your 5-a-day!

[Www.nhs.uk/change4life](http://www.nhs.uk/change4life)

### **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!



### **How to protect your children online**

This is a very good website about how parents/carers can protect your children online

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

### **Spitting**

We have had several complaints regarding other parents spitting in the playground. Please refrain from doing this as it is a health hazard and spreads diseases.

### **February Half Term Activities**

We are still 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.

### **Tissues for February**

This month we are asking Kangaroos, Kookaburras and Koala classes to bring in boxes of tissues Thank you.

### **Year 5 & 6 Sportshall Athletics**

Some of our year 5 & 6 pupils attended an athletics event at Gable Hall on thursday the 30th January. This competition involved other schools from Thurrock. We will let you know our results in next weeks newsletter.