



# Kenningtons Primary Academy



Spring Term Newsletter 9th January 2015  
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## DATES TO REMEMBER

**12th January 2015:** Booster sessions and after school clubs begin  
**12th January 2015 - 26th January 2015:** School office closed for heating works  
**21st January 2015:** Year 3 Interhouse  
**23rd January 2015:** Closing date for parent governor nominations  
**28th January 2015:** Year 2 African masks/Drumming workshop  
**29th January 2015:** Year 3 Science museum trip

## Parent Governor Nominations

We have vacancies for two parent governors on the school Governing Body. If you would be interested in nominating yourself or receiving further information on the role of a parent governor please email Amanda Wynne at [enquiries@kenningtons.thurrock.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@kenningtons.thurrock.sch.uk)

## Temporary School Office Closure

The school is currently undergoing a refurbishment of the school's heating system. As a result of this work, the school office will be closed and inaccessible for a period of two weeks, with effect from **Monday 12th January 2015**.

During this period late children will continue to be greeted by Jody/Tina at the front door.

Any cash payments must be given to your child to give to their class teacher.

Any notifications of medical appointments e.t.c. must be in letter form (to be given to the class teacher) or emailed to the school at

[enquiries@kenningtons.thurrock.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@kenningtons.thurrock.sch.uk)

## Parent Drop In Sessions

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

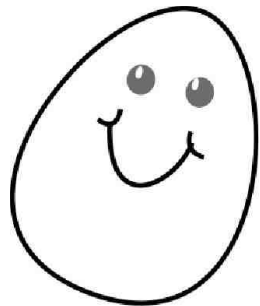
**Reception (Mrs Johnson) - Thursday 15th January**  
**1R - Tuesday 13th January**  
**2F - Thursday 15th January**  
**3H - Tuesday 15th January**  
**4G - Monday 12th January**  
**5M - Monday 12th January**  
**6R - Monday 12th January**

Meetings with the 6W, 5N, 4S, 3C, 2G, 1W and Reception class teachers will resume the week beginning 19th January 2015.



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





### Good Egg Awards

This week our focus was

**'I have a range of strategies for managing my worries'**

Well done to...

Divine 1R

Aleksandra 1W

Ellie 2F

Ollie 2G

Tai'Bat 3C

Bindy 3H

Gracie 3H

Amelia 5M

Mickey 5N

Foxmei 6R

Melissa 6R

### KS2 Weekly Challenge

Well done to this week's winners for correctly answering the English and Mathematics questions:

**English - Tomiwa 5M**

**Mathematics - Noorie 6R**

The new challenges for next week can be found on the school website (link below) or on the KS2 notice board.

<http://kenningtonprimaryacademy.co.uk/9th-Jan---KS2-Challenges>

### The Health Spot - New Regulations For Healthy School Dinners

To help in improving and maintaining the health of pupils the following regulations are now mandatory for local authority schools, new free schools and schools that convert to academy status.

They stipulate:

- one or more portions of vegetables or salad as an accompaniment every day
- at least three different fruits and three different vegetables each week
- an emphasis on wholegrain foods in place of refined carbohydrates
- an emphasis on making water the drink of choice
- limiting fruit juice portions to quarter pints (150ml)
- restricting the amount of added sugars or honey in other drinks to 5%
- no more than two portions a week of food that has been deep-fried, batter-coated or breadcrumb-coated
- no more than two portions of food that include pastry each week
- a portion of milk (lower fat and lactose reduced) to be made available once a day

As an academy founded between 2010-2014, Kenningtons Primary is not obliged to follow these regulations. However we are happy to report that the school already meets these requirements in all aspects apart from the provision of milk. At Kenningtons we promote the drinking of water during the lunch-break and as required throughout the day.



### **New School Blog!**

We have a new team of bloggers in Year 6. Our bloggers will be keeping you up to date with different events in school. Follow our blog at:

**<http://www.kenningtons.creativeblogs.net>**

You can also access the blog from the Kenningtons Primary Academy website homepage.



### **Thurrock Marching Brass - Marching and Performing Arts Organisation**

The Thurrock Marching Brass will be hosting an open evening on Monday 19th January 2015 at William Edwards School and Sports College, Stifford Clays, RM16 3NJ. Parents and children can pop in anytime between 7pm and 8:30pm to speak to instructors, support staff and other parents and to see the members enjoying themselves!

The Thurrock Marching Brass have class instructors that teach all areas of music, dance, choreography and performance. Please email **[chairman@thurrockmarchingbrass.org](mailto:chairman@thurrockmarchingbrass.org)** for details.

### **Early Collections on Friday**

Some families are in the habit of collecting children early on a Friday. This is quite disruptive to the school day and will no longer be permitted, except with evidence of medical appointments.

**Don't forget, after school clubs and booster sessions begin next week from Monday 12th January 2015!**