



Kenningtons Primary Academy

Welcome back to the new Half Term. Over the past two weeks Mrs Clarke and I have been working with teachers on the delivery of History and Geography subjects. We are working hard to ensure that the skills children learn are very clear in every lesson; you may hear your child talking about being a Geographer or being a Historian – our core value of ***having high standards for excellent achievement*** apply to all subjects and not just English and Maths. There have been lots of trips and experiences over the past two weeks to support the learning in the classroom. Reception have been learning about Divali and took part in a Divali workshop in which they learned stories and dances. Year One have been on a local walk, looking at the types of houses in Aveley – they were learning about human geography. Year Four visited Rainham Marshes at the RSPB reserve – they carried out activities to develop their science skills and knowledge. Year 5 had STEM visitors in school. They were learning about forces and carried out experiments to support their learning. Several Road Safety Walks have also taken place, supporting children to increase their skills to *be safe*. A big thank you to all of the parents who have supported the classes on their trips. These couldn't take place without you.

The senior team are currently undertaking Book scrutiny for English. This involves taking a sample of books from each class and checking for coverage, expectations and progression. We were all blown away by the amount of progress that pupils in our school make. We have looked at reception to year 3 and will be looking at years 4 to 6 next week. What we have seen so far should give you confidence about the quality of English teaching across the school.

This week Mrs Clarke and I have spent time planning the structure for our new website. I am meeting the web designers next week and hopefully we will have a prototype ready very soon. I would really like some input from parents about the proposed new website. If you would like to be involved in this process, please let Jenny know, via email.

I have been thinking carefully about Christmas at Kenningtons. We will be having a Christmas Day alongside Christmas Dinner Day. The choir will be performing at Lakeside for which they are already rehearsing. We will not be having a whole school Christmas event this year, as we really cannot afford to take time out of learning. This is the first full year post COVID and we are still filling gaps from lost learning. I hope that you understand why this decision has been taken. Please be rest assured the Summer event will be taking place – the extravaganza for which we are becoming famous!

Mrs Sawtell-Haynes, Headteacher

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School Photos

On Wednesday 16th November.

Individuals and Sibling Photos will be taken, please ensure your children are looking their best !

Year 6 will have their photos taken before they go on their trip (which is why they need to be in school for 8.15am).

If your child has PE on this day, please send the top half of their school uniform in with them and they can change.



Every Mon	Years 1 & 2	Multi-Sports After-School Club	
Every Wed	Years 3 & 4	Multi-Sports After-School Club	
Mon 14th Nov	Year 3	Local Walk	Aveley
Wed 16th Nov	All School	School Photos Day (individual & siblings)	In School
Wed 16th Nov	Year 6	A trip to the movies	Vue Cinema, Lakeside
Thurs 17th Nov	Boys Football Squad	After School Football Match	Benyon Primary
Fri 18th Nov	Reception	Expert Talkers: Air Ambulance	In School
Fri 18th Nov	Year 6	Expert Talkers: HSBC Bank	In School
Tues 22nd Nov	Year 5	Walk Online Roadshow	Civic Hall
Tues 22nd Nov	Girls Football Squad	After School Football Match	Benyon Primary
Wed 23rd Nov	Year 6	Walk Online Roadshow	Civic Hall
Thurs 24th Nov	Reception	Local Walk	Aveley Library
Fri 25th Nov	Reception	Bus Trip	Rainham Bus Garage



Headteacher Awards

Wk 7: "I used my smile to cheer myself up, or make someone else feel better"



Martin 'The Caretaker'



I am delighted to tell you that Martin our caretaker completed the New York Marathon last weekend. It is wonderful for our children to see members of staff set themselves goals and then successfully achieve them. Well done Martin – our core value of having high standards for excellent achievement and experience success applies to the staff as well as the children. **Mrs Sawtell-Haynes, Headteacher**

History Topic


If you have any unwanted, broken pots or vases, please can you donate them and bring them into the School Reception. These are for our Archaeological Digs.




If you are having a sort out before Christmas and you have some **Bean Bags or large pillows** that you would like to re-home, we would really appreciate them in our School Library.

Please bring them into the School Office !

Mrs Clarke, Deputy Headteacher



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FLU VACCINATION CATCH UP CLINICS

FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

We are running flu vaccination catch up clinics throughout Essex for primary school aged children.

For more information on the clinics and to book an appointment please contact the immunisation team on 0300 790 0597.

To find out more about the flu vaccination, scan the QR code or visit:



nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/

#DOYOURBIT

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During half term, Alfie took part in a 2-hour charity endurance karting race.

His team finished 6th over all and help raise over **£7000** for **Great Ormond Street Hospital.**

In the last few months Alfie has continued to take part in karting races all over the country with some great results we are all very proud of him.



Class Champions

Each class has a Class Champion who represents them; they make sure that their views about school are always heard.



Eco Warriors

Our Eco Warriors work hard to improve our school environment. Last year, we achieved the

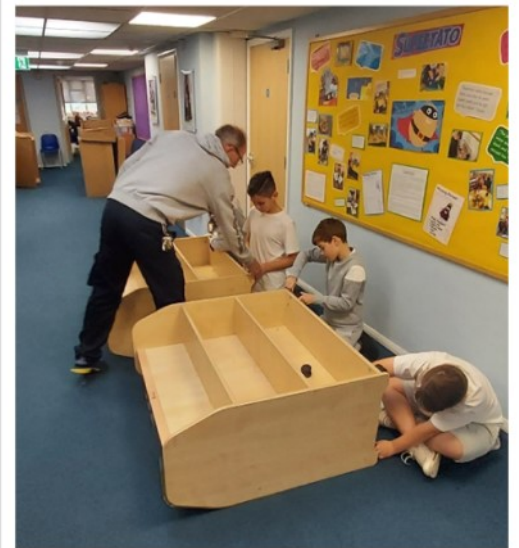




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One of the highlights in school for me this week was seeing Logistics Team supporting the Caretaker to build furniture. The boys are taking their responsibilities very seriously and doing an excellent job. What great evidence of demonstrating *respect for our environment*.

Mrs Sawtell-Haynes



Thurrock Council primary school admissions

Important information – applying for a primary school place for September 2023

If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 you must apply for a primary school place for September 2023.

Apply online from 1 November at thurrock.gov.uk/admissions

Go to thurrock.gov.uk/admissions and select 'Primary school admissions'. You will be able to open an online copy of our prospectus for Thurrock primary schools, booklet called **Primary Admission Information September 2023**, which you should read carefully before applying.

You must have an email account to apply online.

You should also try to join us online at one of the briefing sessions before you complete an application.

Three briefing sessions for parents will be held on Thursday 27 October 2022 via webinar on the council website.

- **First Session: 1pm - 2pm**
- **Second session: 4pm - 5pm**
- **Third session: 6:30pm - 7:30pm**

Go to thurrock.gov.uk/admissions and select 'Primary school admissions' to access the webinar.

Offers will be available for applicants via your online account from **12:30am on 17 April 2023**.

Apply for a primary school place

When making an application you can list up to four schools that you wish to apply for, in your order of preference. You can list schools outside of Thurrock, if you wish.

If you are applying to any school that is religious by character, make sure you also complete their supplementary form and return it direct to the school by the closing date for applications.

If you have more than one child transferring to primary school, you must apply separately for each child needing a place.

If you do not complete the application and return it by the closing date of **15 January 2023**, you may be given a place at the nearest school with a space available, after all on-time applications have been dealt with.

If you have read all our information online and still have questions, please contact our Admissions Team by emailing school.admissions@thurrock.gov.uk or phoning on **01375 652 883**.

 thurrock.gov.uk

Reception Open Day

We would like to invite you to Kenningtons Primary Academy on **Saturday 12th November at 11am**. You will be met by the Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher and Reception Teachers, who will take you and your children on a tour of the Reception Classes and answer any questions you may have.

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