

Kenningtons Primary Academy



28th March 2024

We are now two thirds of our way through the school year, and all still working very hard.

I love seeing the photographs of our pupils enjoying The Kenningtons Experience. Year one pupils have visited the Florence Nightingale Museum, Reception had a visit from Snakes Alive who brought with them some interesting creatures and Year 6 visited Chelmsford Museum to support their learning in Science. Next term's trips are already booked and we look forward to sharing this information with you in due course.

I hope you all found your recent Parent Consultation appointment useful. I know the teachers enjoy sharing with you your child's successes and achievements.

Most children in Year 3 and 4 have recently taken part in a pilot project. The children's height and weight measurements were taken and parents today will have received the results. Children and families who need additional support have been selected and will be contacted shortly. The good news is that the overall data was very positive. Our school data, compared to the last national data set is very positive. This is great to hear and shows that the endeavours of the school and families are working well. Our school was mentioned at a council meeting, as a school doing a really great job to support children's health through our curriculum.

A selection of Year 5 pupils had the opportunity to attend an outdoor activity session at Grange Water in Ockendon. This was a free session for school who responded quickly!! The children had a wonderful time making fires and toasting marshmallows. The evidence of both was obvious when I picked them up!! We will keep a look out for more free sessions over the coming term. Grange Waters run many different activities for children and families. Please take a look at their website for further details.

On Tuesday after school, a group of pupils from Year 2 to Year 6 took part in a Pupil Voice exercise. The focus of this session was Food Technology. Mrs Clarke, Miss Spring and I were impressed with what the children told us about their learning. As always, it also gave us areas which we can improve upon. Thank you to all of the children for staying behind afterschool.

Today we had a surprise visit from Thurrock Council for a food and hygiene check of our school kitchen. I am delighted to report that we are now 5 star rated! A big thank you to Cliff and the ladies in the kitchen for their hard work ensuring that standards in the kitchen are the best they can be.

This week we say goodbye to Mrs Burns and Miss Gingell. They are both moving on to other schools. We would like to thank them for their hard work at Kenningtons and wish them luck in their future.

Mrs Sawtell-Haynes. Headteacher

Dates for the Diary

Fri 29th March	GOOD FRIDAY
Mon 1st April	BANK HOLIDAY
2nd – 12th April	END OF TERM
Mon 15th April	Summer Term 1 begins
Wed 17th April	Year 1 Scooter Training
Thur 18th April	Year 1 Scooter Training
Thur 18th April	3G Wagamamas Lakeside

We have a new Menu !

When we return, we are on week 1 of the NEW Summer Menu
Click on the link below to look at the menus:



<https://www.kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk/information-for-parents/school-meals>

Employees of the Week

Bobby
Logistics Team



For working incredibly hard delivering resources all over the school and being very reliable and working collaboratively

Muskaan
Health & Safety Monitor



For always attending her job every Wednesday without fail and working hard walking around the playground making sure that all children are behaving safely

Pupil Responsibilities

For Job descriptions and photos, head over to our website and click on the 'Pupils Tab':

<https://www.kenningtonprimaryacademy.co.uk/pupils/pupil-responsibility>

Headteacher Awards

Week 2 – I can ask for help after I have had a try



Week 3 – I can try new things, even when it is a bit scary



Fabulous Feedback

Head over to the website to see some of the fabulous comments that have been left about your school. Look in the 'About Us' Tab

<https://www.kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk/about-us/fabulous-feedback>

Merit Awards.

The merit system has been designed to encourage, reward and promote exemplary work and good behaviour. It has also been designed to give recognition to pupils who make a positive contribution to the school that may otherwise go unnoticed.

Number of Merits required to achieve each level:

- Bronze = 50 merits (bronze certificate and bronze badge)
- Silver = 60 merits (silver certificate and silver badge)
- Gold = 75 merits (gold certificate, gold badge and a special trip reward)



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Child Absence : Study Bugs App

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Late Collection Procedure

The Governing Body has decided that, where children are not collected from the school within fifteen minutes after the school day or after school activity ending, then they will be taken to after-school provision and a charge will be made to the parent / carer. The school accepts that a variety of emergency situations can arise due to unforeseen circumstances and will ensure that the charge is not imposed on the parent where there is a genuine unforeseen emergency. Notification must be given to the school as soon as the situation arises or when collecting the child.

The Charging Arrangements

On the first and second late collection, without reasonable excuse, the parent / carer will be sent a letter reminding them to collect their child from school at 3.15pm. If the child is collected late a third time, pupils will be charged at the following rates:

- Between 3.15 - 3.30pm. £5 charge. Child remains at the Main Office.
- Between 3.30 - 4.30pm. £5 charge. Part Session in after-school provision
- Between 4.30 - 6pm. £12 charge. Full Session in after-school provision

Charges will be given each subsequent late thereafter for the rest of the school year.

The purpose of the charge imposed is to meet the additional costs in salary and resources that the school incurs from the late collection.

Click here to read the Late Collection Policy: <https://www.kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk/statutory-information/statutory-policies>