Kenningtons Primary Academy

Newsletter 2nd May 2025

Welcome Back – Summer Term 2025

Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break. It certainly feels like summer has arrived in all its glory, and with it comes an exciting and busy term ahead.

We've had a wonderful start to the term, with one of the clear highlights being the arrival of our chicks. Watching the children's faces light up as they witnessed them hatching and growing has been truly heart-warming. The chicks (all girls!) will remain with us and join our resident hens once they are big enough — a lovely addition to school life.





Last week, we were honoured to welcome our local MP, Jen Craft, to the school. Some of our Class Champions had the opportunity to meet with her and ask some very thoughtful (and tricky!) questions. She then toured the school and was incredibly impressed by what she saw. It's always a joy to hear such positive feedback from visitors.

The Kenningtons Experience is already in full swing this term. Year 1 pupils have been busy with scooter training, Year 3 have taken part in an exciting science workshop, and Class 3G visited Wagamama as part of their Food Tech unit on stir fry. These opportunities continue to enrich our children's learning and bring our curriculum to life.



I'm also very pleased to share that we have offered 55 Reception places for September. We have a few children still on the waiting list, which means we're nearly full for the new academic year. If you know anyone still considering places in Nursery, we do have a few spaces remaining — please spread the word within the local community.

This week, I've met with all of our teaching staff to review the outcomes from Learning Review Week. As a result, we've made a few tweaks to the timetables in some year groups to ensure even more time is given to core subjects where needed. These conversations always remind me how deeply our teachers understand and care about your children's progress — they truly are a dedicated team.

Finally, Festival planning is well underway! The songs have been chosen, and we'll be holding a launch assembly before half term to build the excitement. Thank you to all the families who have already responded to the ParentMail regarding wristbands — this really helps us with the planning.

Wishing you all a happy and successful start to the summer term.





... for earning their pen licence



Week 5: Perseverance

Headteacher Awards

Week 6: Asking Questions





Sophie – SME Team



Sophie has shown so much dedication to her role as SME. She is always doing her job on her scheduled day; checking all devices to make sure that they are charged and ready for the next part of the day. She is constantly checking where the devises need to go and ensures they are delivered at the correct time. Well done Sophie- a great part of the SME Team.

Uwa – Reading Champion

For always working incredibly hard in the library during his shift, changing the books for the children with a huge smile on his face and reading with his reading buddy twice a week. Keep up the hard work!



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.





These children are on track to receive their end of term treat !







Bank Holiday Monday
Class Photos (all pupils to come in school uniform, if you have PE, bring your trainers for your lesson)
Nursery. Hopefield's Animal Sanctuary. Brentwood
Year 6. Stubbers
Year 4. Colchester Castle. Colchester
Reception. Mini-Beast & Pond Dipping. Wat Tyler Woods 3M. Wagamamas. Lakeside
Year 6. Stubbers
AM Nursery. Library Visitor. In School ALL Nursery. The Tiger Tea. In School. PM Nursery. Library Visitor. In School
Year 1. Life in a Fairy Castle Workshop. In School
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As the weather heats up, please be sure to apply sunscreen to your children before school

Exciting developments are underway with the O@K Project! We are about to begin work on the sand pit and are looking for a small digger to help us with this process. If you are able to help in any way – please contact Jenny on 01708 865663



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