

Kenningtons Primary Academy

Newsletter
22nd November 2024



It has been a very busy and productive two weeks at Kenningtons Primary Academy, filled with enriching experiences and wonderful opportunities for our pupils.

Here's a look at what we've been up to:

Year 5 Visits West Stowe Village

Our Year 5 pupils had a fantastic trip to West Stowe Village, exploring Anglo-Saxon life as part of their history curriculum. This hands-on experience brought their learning to life, and the children returned full of enthusiasm and curiosity.

Walk Online Roadshow

Year 5 also attended the Walk Online Roadshow, focusing on online safety. This vital session reinforced how we can all stay safe in the digital world—a message that is more important than ever.

Year 6 Visit to RAF Hornchurch

Year 6 pupils had the privilege of visiting RAF Hornchurch, a key site in both WWI and WWII. This visit supported their history topic and provided valuable insights into Britain's past.

Class Champions Visit the Mayor

Our Class Champions had the honour of visiting the Mayor at Thurrock Council. They toured the council chambers and learned about local government—a fantastic opportunity to inspire leadership and civic engagement.

Prospective Reception Parent Open Days

We have enjoyed welcoming prospective Reception parents to our school. It has been heart-warming to hear how many families have joined us due to recommendations from our current families—thank you for sharing your positive experiences and spreading the word about our great school!

Staff Development

In recent staff meetings, we conducted book looks in maths and history / geography. I am thrilled to share that the quality of work in the children's books was exceptional, reflecting the outstanding teaching and learning taking place across the school.

Christmas Countdown

You will have received the Christmas Countdown schedule. Please adhere to the deadlines to ensure this festive season runs smoothly for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we are providing our pupils with a rich and varied education that prepares them for the future while celebrating their present achievements.

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Headteacher Awards



Week 1: Mutual Respect



Week 2: Tolerance



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WELL DONE!



MY HIDDEN CHIMP HABIT 6: SHOWING GOOD MANNERS

Good manners need to be learnt and practiced.

Being aware of how our behaviour and choices affect other people is very important.

Being kind and calm with one another makes everyone feel good.



Well done to the Children who have received a hidden chimp award.

MY HIDDEN CHIMP HABIT 5: ASKING FOR HELP

Staff encourage all pupils to ask for help.

It is important that pupils feels they can ask for help not matter what is going on, or what choices have been made.

Asking for help is a strength, not a weakness.



MY HIDDEN CHIMP HABIT 7: TRYING NEW THINGS

Trying new things can feel scary. Change can be difficult to do, and we all need help sometimes.

In school we talk about trying new ways to manage situations around things like friendships, work in class or maybe emotions.

For example, rather than shout or push a friend we are cross with, maybe walk away, use a calm voice to tell them to stop or maybe speak to an adult.



Employee of the Week



Chloe – Eco-Warrior

Chloe attends every Eco-Warrior meeting and is very enthusiastic. She regularly comes and asks when meetings are taking place and shares information with other warriors. This week, alongside the other Eco-Warriors, she presented an assembly with confidence and enthusiasm, reading her lines with fantastic expression!



Darius – Class Champion



For asking such amazing questions when we went to the Civic Offices to meet the mayor. He was able to talk clearly about all of the information we learnt and had some fantastic ideas when the children took part in a debate in the council chambers.



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.



It was hard to squeeze all the Bronze Merit Award winners in assembly this morning ! Keep up the amazing work.

Gym Trail

Each week, the children who find fine and gross motor skills tricky are given the opportunity to practise these skills. In a supportive environment, Mrs Harris and the TAs assist to help them develop their confidence and skills.



Eco-Warrior Assembly

This week, the Eco-Warriors delivered an assembly to KS2 pupils to kick start the 'Cut Your Carbon' campaign. They learned their lines, rehearsed them and told the children 6 ways they can help our planet: replacing 4 baths with showers (and showering for only 4 minutes), replacing short drives with walking/cycling, not eating meat for one day, switching off non-essential electricals for an hour, turning down the heating by 1° for a week and buying nothing new for the month of November.





Well done to the children who completed levels 1 & 2 of Bikeability - a cycle program that teaches children how to ride safely.



Mon 25th Nov	Year 1. Geography Local Walk
Tues 26th Nov	Year 6. Duxford Museum
Thurs 28th Nov	Reception. Library Visit. Aveley
Fri 29th Nov	Children receive their Secret Santa names
Mon 2nd Dec	Year 4. British Museum
2nd & 3rd Dec	Reception. Sight and Hearing Testing. In School
2nd - 5th Dec	Collection for Food Bank
Tues 3rd Dec	Year 3. Cinderella Pantomime. London
3rd - 5th Dev	Reception. Christmas Plate Making. In School
Wed 4th Dec	KS2 Choir. Christmas Carols in Lakeside
Fri 6th Dec	Parent Consultation Day CHILDREN ARE NOT TO ATTEEND SCHOOL TODAY