



Kenningtons Primary Academy

Newsletter
30th April 2021

Well it certainly feels like life is returning to something that can be described as a little more normal. The latest COVID figures for Thurrock are very promising. Back in December Thurrock was the highest ranking authority for positive COVID cases in England and last week we were 140. This is pleasing to see and shows how much your collective efforts have paid off.

If you currently qualify for a COVID vaccine, I urge you to take up the offer. I had my vaccine at the weekend, and whilst I felt unwell for a day or two, I know that I have done my bit to protect those who are the most vulnerable to severe disease.

Next week in school we will be moving to year group pods at lunchtime, meaning that the children will be able to play with all children in their year group – I'm sure that the children will be very happy about this!

Last year we were successful in a Condition Improvement Fund Bid. The new perimeter fencing, which was part of the bid has already taken place and now we are awaiting an extension at the front of the school to improve the offices and entrance, as well as new toilets for the Reception children. When we have an official date for the start of these works I will let you know how it will affect the school, and any alterations we will be making to accommodate the builders.

As we continue to operate a one-way system in school, can I please ask that we are respectful of our neighbours. We have had a couple of complaints about pupils and parents walking across the gardens of neighbours and sitting on their walls. Some of these neighbours are elderly and they are finding it worrying. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Mrs Sawtøll-Haynes
Headteacher

Applying for a Nursery Place?

If your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018, you must apply for their nursery place.

Applications must be made by **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** for Admissions in September 2021.

<https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/primary-school-admissions/applying-for-primary-school-place>

The following Policies have been reviewed and updated on our Website:

- Child Protection Policy
- Mental Health & Wellbeing Policy
- First Aid Policy
- Health, Relationship & Sex Education Policy
- GDPR – Freedom of Information Publication Scheme
- GDPR – Security Measures
- GDPR – Privacy Notices



Kenningtons Website:
www.kenningtonsprimaryacademy.co.uk



Important Information for Parents / Carers:

If you wish to get in touch with the school, please do so via our enquiries address; enquiries@kenningtons.thurrock.sch.uk



Now that life is returning to what it a little more normal, children and adults are presenting with symptoms that may be linked to COVID. It appears that there seems to be some confusion about the testing procedures.

Lateral Flow Tests are to be used for those who are asymptomatic. The teachers at school are testing with these twice a week and you are able to also order these for you children if you wish to use them. These should pick up those in the general population, who have COVID but do not have symptoms. If anyone tests positive from a Lateral Flow, it must be followed up with a PCR test.



<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/regular-rapid-coronavirus-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms/>

PCR tests should be taken if anyone has symptoms. These can be booked through <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> and usually return a result within 48 hours. If your child has symptoms DO NOT use a Later Flow Test.

It is very important that we all follow these procedures in order that school is safe and that all classes remain open. One child absent for a couple of days is a much less disruptive option, than a whole class or year group closed for 10 days.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter

Next week, we are following the Spring 2021 Menu Week 3


Autumn / Winter Menu Week 3					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Main Dish	Chinese Veggie Noodles (V) Fragrant egg noodles with stir fried vegetables	Sausage and Mash with Gravy Traditional Pork Sausage and Mash with rich Gravy	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Moist roast turkey with fluffy roasties and tasty gravy	Pasta Bolognese ** A classic Italian beef Bolognese in a yummy tomato and beef sauce	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips Crispy Fish Fingers and scrummy chips
Alternative Dish	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) Cheesy Tomato Topped Pizza Slice Wedges	Quorn Bolognese **(V) Penne pasta in a yummy tomato and Quorn sauce	Country Vegetable Pie (V) (pastry) Creamy vegetable pie with a shortcrust topper	Mild Chickpea & Potato Curry with a Rice side **(V) Slice Naan A tasty chick pea and potato masala	Quorn Burger with Chips (V)
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato With A Choice Of Fillings				
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Peas Carrots	Carrots Cabbage	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Baked Beans Peas
Desserts	Raspberry Yoghurt Cake	Peach Shortbread Pudding * with Custard	Flapjack with Fruit Slices *	Chocolate Apricot Brownie	Apple Crumble & Custard

Cool Water, Fresh Fruit, Freshly Baked Bread and Yoghurt available daily
*Fruit Based, **Wholegrain, ***Oily Fish (V) Vegetarian



Awards & Certificates


The children were awarded their certificates, badges and pens in class, by their teachers.



Pupil Pen Licence

Aalia – 5W
John – 5W
Kasparas – 5W
Eva – 5W
Alice – 5W

1. Surname:
2. Forename:
3. DOB:
4. Signature:
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Congratulations to



Millie – 4B	Lacey – 4B	Scott – 3NB	Georgia – Kangaroos
Preston – 3S	Teddy – 3S	Daniel – 4NB	Jay – 2M
Triumf – 1J	Terry – 1J	Max – 1J	Amelia – 1J
Macey – 1J	Cristian – 1J	Frank – 1J	Imisioluwa – Koalas
Olufemi – 4HC	Inel – 2M	Domantas – 2M	Katie – 6N
Faridah – 6N	Mitali – 6N	Jensen – 6N	Daniel – 6N
Imole – 6N	Aboo – 6N	Jake – Koalas	Arya – Kangaroos
Jomjom – Kangaroos	Ethan – Kangaroos	Rey - Kangaroos	

for achieving your

Bronze Award !

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Congratulations to



Caitlyn – 6K
Elsie – 3S

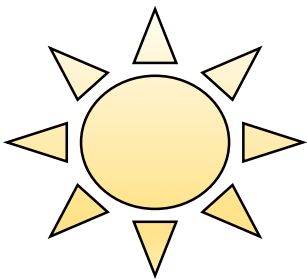
Thomas – 3NB
Sophie – 1J

Grace – 3NB
Robyn – 6B

Daniel – Kangaroos
Elizabeth – 5W

for achieving your
Silver Award !

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Summer is Coming!

- Summer Dresses are available on the Pre-Loved stall. Each item is £1 each, but please book your shopping slot with Jenny in the School Office!
- Please make sure you send the children in with Sun Screen on!
- As the weather is heating up, please ensure your child has enough water bottles!





Please get the **free Studybugs app** for reporting your child's absence due to illness.

<https://studybugs.com>



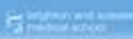
Report sickness, receive guidance, help improve children's health

See what illnesses are going around

Secure system, all communications encrypted



Working in partnership with:



Studybugs

We're pleased to announce that Kenningtons is introducing a new, more efficient and secure system for reporting your child's absence due to illness, called Studybugs. If you haven't already, please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child's ill and unable to attend school.

[Get the app or register now](https://studybugs.com/about/parents) (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>)

Top 3 reasons to use Studybugs

1. It's integrated with our systems so we know right away if your child is unaccounted for.
2. It's quick and easy to register and use and automatically reminds you to keep us posted.
3. You'll be helping the NHS and other public health organisations [improve children's health](#). (<https://studybugs.com/about/schools>)

