



Kenningtons Primary Academy



Spring Term Newsletter 30th January 2015

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DATES TO REMEMBER

6th February 2015: Year 3 National Gallery Trip/
Nursery Class Superhero Day

10th February 2015: Whole school safer internet day
#SID15

13th February 2015: Red and pink non-uniform day
- Donation £1 for RSPCA

16th February - 20th February 2015: Half term holiday

23rd February 2015: Non-pupil inset day

Late Packed Lunches

Packed lunches which are delivered to the school office after Morning Registration create complications during the school day for office staff and on occasion are not collected by their owners - who then spend the afternoon hungry.

From Monday 2nd February 2015, any pupil who is not signed up for a school lunch or due to go home for lunch, and who has no packed lunch with them at Morning Registration, will be signed up for a school dinner for which parents are expected to pay.

Please do not approach the school office to accept a late packed lunch as they are no longer permitted to do so and this puts them in an unfair and tricky situation. Packed-lunches must be with children when they enter the school site from 8:45am.

An End to Cash Payments

From Monday 2nd February Kenningtons is becoming a **cash-free school**. This is to increase safety on the school site and to ensure that any payments made or received are recorded and traceable. From Monday 2nd February please observe the following:

- Payments to the school MUST be made via ParentMail.
- Charitable donations and contributions to crafts/classroom activities that total £1 or less may still be made in coins but the school will not be able to issue change.
- Under exceptional circumstances please contact the school office to arrange payment by cheque.

Parent Drop In Sessions - WB 2nd February

Teachers will hold their next Parent Drop In sessions from 3:15pm-4:00pm on the days specified below:

Reception (Koala, Kookaburra) - Monday 2nd February

1W - Tuesday 3rd February

2G - Thursday 5th February

3C - Tuesday 3rd February

4S - Monday 2nd February

5N - Monday 2nd February

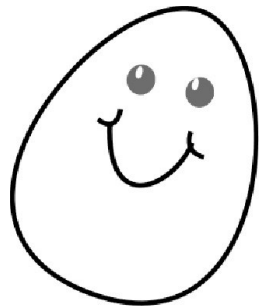
6W - Monday 2nd February

Meetings with the 6F, 5M, 4G, 3H, 2F, 1J and Kangaroo Reception teachers will resume the week beginning 9th February 2015.



Helping children to get better and better at everything they do





Good Egg Awards

This week our focus was

'I can identify, recognise and express a range of feelings'

Well done to...

Ben 1J
Mia 1W

Charlie 2G

Tahira 3C
George 3H

Lola-Rae 4G
Zak 4S

Ben 5M
Chloe 5N
Sophie 5N

Frankie 6F
Lenis 6F

Tomiwa 6W

KS2 Weekly Challenge

Well done to this week's winners:

Maths: Ben 5M
English: Abby 6F

The new challenges for next week can be found on the school website (link below) or on the KS2 notice board.

<http://kenningtonprimaryacademy.com/KS2-Weekly-Challenge>

Term Dates and Inset Dates 2015/16

The calendar for term dates and inset dates for the academic year 2015/16 is now available online at

<http://kenningtonprimaryacademy.co.uk/Term-Dates-Insets>

Parent Feedback Questionnaires (Parent Consultation Day December 2014)

The results of the Parent Questionnaire results have been analysed and shared with the Governing Body. We are pleased to note that the vast majority of parents are overwhelmingly positive about the workings of the school. The results are available to view online at

<http://www.kenningtonprimaryacademy.co.uk/Mainfolder/Documents/2014-Questionnaire-analysis.pdf>

School Self Evaluation

This month we had a visit from an education consultant, Tim Nelson, who is also an Ofsted inspector. His visit aids us in our self evaluation and gives Governors an independent view of the school. He agrees with our judgement that the school is still good and he particularly noted that:

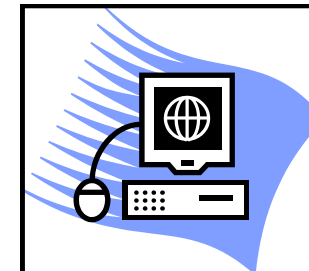
- There was evidence to show good teaching over time.
- There is good behaviour and this is a strength, which has a good impact on learning.
- Pupils were polite and welcoming.
- There was a good quantity of work in books which showed sustained concentration from pupils.

Final Stubbers Payment

Year 6 parents are reminded that the final instalment for the Stubbers Residential Trip is due by Friday 13th February **at the latest**.

Safer Internet Day #SID15

On Tuesday 10th February 2015 it is Safer Internet Day #SID15. Children at Kenningtons will be participating in activities and a special assembly on the day. Please look out for further announcements.



8 to 13 years
5.30pm to 7.00

14 to 25 years
7.15pm to 9.00pm



First week free
Come & join the fun
Thursday evenings,
At Treetops School, Grays
During Term Time



Contact
Kay Maynard
For more details
on
07756 294943
Or
07956 819095

Serving Basildon, Thurrock & Beyond.
Special Needs Activity Club (SNAC)
Registered Charity N°: 1082187

snac2007@googlemail.com

Winter PE Kit

While the weather remains cold please make sure that children come to school with tracksuits to keep them warm during winter PE sessions. PE sessions will be held indoors when the weather is especially cold.

The Health Spot: 'Bike It' and Getting Out and About

We are pleased to announce the appointment of our school 'Bike It' reps who will help promote cycling and other forms of sustainable transport at Kenningtons:

Sunkami 5M

Natalie 5N

Zac 4S

Stephen 4S

Madison 4G

Layla 3H

Poppy 3C

We have a new web-page for 'Bike It' at <http://www.kenningtonprimaryacademy.co.uk/Bike-It> which includes details of local cycling and walking routes to help parents and children plan trips!