

# Kender Newsletter

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## Swimming for children in Year Three:

Monday 25th  
September to Friday  
6th October:



## Wednesday 27th Sept: Yr4 to Oxleas Woods



## Tuesday 10th October: Yr3 to Tate Modern



## Tuesday 10th & Thursday 12th October: Yr6 to St Pauls



## Wednesday 18th October: Yr5 to National Maritime Museum



## Friday 20th October: INSET Day, school closed to children

### Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Due to the on-going development works to our playground, it has been quite a disrupted week in school. The children have had to play without most of their playground and the nursery children have not had their playground at all. I am very pleased to confirm that all works will be completed by Saturday morning at the latest. All gates and playground spaces will be back to normal from Monday. Also, through our negotiations, we've secured extra pieces of climbing equipment, which we know the children will enjoy!!!

Meet the teacher, thank you to all mums and dads who attended the meetings. If you still need to purchase a book bag from school please contact the school office. We are aiming for all children to be taking home reading books overnight; which means **bringing their book bags each day**.

### Cleaners

Do you want to help us keep our school clean and tidy? We are looking for three cleaners to join our friendly team, working from 15.30 - 18.00 Monday to Friday during term times. We would prefer some experience but this is not essential as we will give training in all aspects of the role. Depending on experience, the hourly pay is between £11.95 and 13.67. If you're interested in applying, please come to the office so we can give you an application pack. The deadline to submit your application is 2 October 2023 and the interviews will be on 5 October 2023.

I'm pleased to announce Ms Thomas-Francis will be joining the Year Three teaching team from Monday. With rising numbers of children in the year cohort we have reverted to two classes. A two week programme of swimming begins for Year 3 on Monday; if you not done so, parents please make your payments for these lessons; it is very important for children to be taught to swim but it does come at a high cost to the school.

First **Open Morning** of this year is on Thursday 28th September, at 9.15; please tell your friends & neighbours.

Have a restful weekend and I'll see you all on Monday; I'll be on the Faulkner Street gate most days next week.

Mr Barr (Headteacher)

	18/06/23	1909/23	20/09/23	21/09/23	22/09/23	Av...
<b>Rec</b>	90%	93%	89%	87%	90%	
<b>Yr 1</b>	92%	94%	90%	92%	92%	<b>92%</b>
<b>Yr 2</b>	91%	93%	95%	92%	93%	<b>93%</b>
<b>Yr 3</b>	95%	91%	95%	95%	<b>98%</b>	<b>95%</b>
<b>Yr 4</b>	89%	90%	92%	92%	90%	<b>91%</b>
<b>Yr 5</b>	96%	96%	96%	<b>98%</b>	96%	<b>96%</b>
<b>Yr 6</b>	92%	86%	95%	89%	90%	<b>90%</b>
<b>School</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>93%</b>
<b>KS2</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>93%</b>
<b>Comment</b>	<p><b>Much improved attendance this week.</b></p> <p><b>Year six making visits to Secondary schools, which is approved and very important for them to do!</b></p> <p><b>Year five continuing from last year...</b></p> <p><b>Keep going Kender, hope to see you all in school next week...!</b></p>					

**Term Dates: 2023/24**

### Autumn Term

**INSET day:** Friday 20th October

### Autumn Half-term

Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October.

School re-opens

Monday 30th October

**INSET day:** Wednesday 20th December

School closed to children for Christmas break, Wednesday 20th December.

### Spring Term

School re-opens for children on Monday 8th January 2024

### Half-term

Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February,

School re-opens for children on Monday 19th February 2024

School closed to children for Easter break, Friday 29th March.

### Summer Term

**INSET day:** Monday 15th April

School re-opens for children on Tuesday 16th April 2024

### Half-term

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May

School re-opens to children Monday 3rd June 2024

**INSET day:** Friday 7th July

**End of term:**  
**Wednesday 24th July, 2.30pm**

## PE

The days we have P.E. can sometimes vary so please ensure your child has their P.E. kit on a Monday and takes it home on a Friday.

## Reading

Please read at home every day. Your child should bring their reading record and book into school every day. We will change books once a week. We also have daily whole Class focused Guided lessons Reading.

## Homework

As well as reading, homework is assigned each week on Fridays and should be returned to school by Wednesday the following week.

### From the Deputy Headteacher...

#### Year 6 Parents

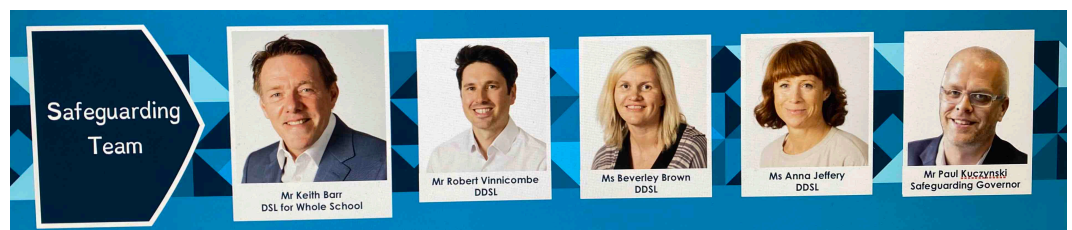
I encourage you to go and see as many secondary school open events as you can when deciding on which schools to apply for. I recently sent home the open day events for all Lewisham secondary schools, Southwark school information is on the individual school websites.

The deadline for secondary school applications is **Tuesday 31st October**. You **must** apply using the **eAdmissions** website: [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)

If you would like help with the application process or the eAdmissions website, I will be running a number of **Secondary Application Workshops** during the week beginning **Monday 2nd October**. If you would like to book a time for a workshop, please let me know.

Have a relaxing weekend.

Robert Vinnicombe



**If you have any concerns please contact the school office.**

**Phone number: 020 76394654**

#### PTA/Friends of Kender:

"If you can spare a few hours during a weekday to come into school to help wash and dry school uniforms for future secondhand uniform sales, please get in touch with Mary ([maryking35@hotmail.com](mailto:maryking35@hotmail.com)). If you need any particular sizes/items of uniform and don't want to buy new then you can email me and I'll check the stock and see if we have what you need."

#### Next meeting:

**Monday 25th September, 5.30pm, at the school.**