

Kender Newsletter



Carol Concerts:
**Tuesday 12th
December and
Thursday 14th
December**



Friday 17th November:
Children in Need



**Saturday 25th
November:**

Open Morning,
10.30am, at the school



**Tuesday 28th
November & Thursday
30th November:**
Parents' Evenings for all
classes



**Wednesday 20th
December:** INSET Day,
school closed to
children

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

The weather has certainly been turning a bit colder this week, make sure you're wrapping up warm as the temperature drops. Nevertheless, it has been another good week in school.

Well done to **Year four** and **Year five** both with an average attendance of 95% for the week. Will a year group manage 100% for the whole week?? I hope so... Come on Kender we can do it!!

This week I've been delighted to spend time in lots of different classrooms across the school observing children's learning. Thank you to all our wonderful teachers, support staff and children for working so hard! Keep it up!

Book bags: a delivery of book bags has now arrived. £5 each and all children must have one. Pop into the school office to buy them.

Book Fair: we have organised a book fair to be in school from 27th November to 1st December. The fair will be open on parents' evenings. If you need to buy gifts for birthdays, Christmas or other times of celebration then the fair is a perfect opportunity to buy the gift of a book. We'll send opening times next week. There's more information and a link to the book brochure here:

<https://www.kender.lewisham.sch.uk/news/?pid=3&nid=1&storyid=1368>

Parents' Evenings will take place on **Tuesday 28th** and **Thursday 30th November**. Please do sign up to meet with your child's class teacher and see how much progress your child is making and what they need to be working on next. You can book on Arbor now - let the office know if you need help.

Holiday Activity vouchers have been sent out to parents who are registered for Free School Meals. These do not replace the supermarket vouchers but are in addition to them.

Enjoy your weekend and stay warm and I'll see you all on Monday; I'll be on the Briant Street gate most days next week.

Mr Barr (Headteacher)

	13/11/23	14/11/23	15/11/23	16/11/23	17/11/23	Av...
Rec	81%	87%	84%	82%	85%	84%
Yr 1	87%	87%	86%	87%	86%	87%
Yr 2	91%	89%	91%	88%	86%	89%
Yr 3	95%	93%	90%	85%	94%	91%
Yr 4	100%	95%	95%	97%	90%	95%
Yr 5	93%	98%	98%	96%	93%	95%
Yr 6	96%	96%	97%	89%	90%	94%
Comment	Another great week from Year 4, leading the way! Year 5 also matching them on average - 95%. Well done!					

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...

Writing Moderation:

This week, our focus has been on reviewing and enhancing our English curriculum. We've engaged in a comprehensive process, observing English lessons across all year groups, reviewing children's work, and having a staff meeting dedicated to exploring the expected end-of-year outcomes for each year group. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our incredible teachers, support staff, and, of course, our hardworking children for their commitment and effort.

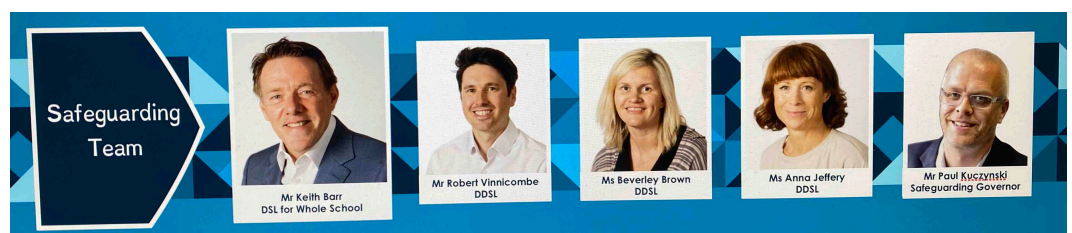
Children in Need:

It was an absolute delight to see the enthusiastic participation of our children in dressing up and supporting Children in Need today. It's heartwarming to see our school community come together for such a worthwhile cause. I'm eager to announce the total amount raised, and I'll be sure to share this exciting news in next week's newsletter. Thank you to everyone who contributed—it truly makes a difference.

Carol Concerts:

I'm thrilled to announce a couple of dates for your diary. Our Carol Concerts are fast approaching, with KS1's concert scheduled for **Tuesday 12th December** and KS2's on **Thursday 14th December**. Both concerts will start at 2 pm. The children have been diligently rehearsing their songs, and I must say, their hard work is truly paying off! Be prepared for an enchanting and memorable performance. Additionally, our staff choir has been working tirelessly to ensure a captivating musical experience...

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!



If you have any concerns please contact the school office.

Phone number: 020 76394654

PTA/Friends of Kender:

Annual General Meeting(ATM)

Tuesday 21st November 2023 @17.00

Please come along and get involved.