Kender Newsletter



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Kender school opened on 8th June 1874.

This year we will celebrate 150 years.

Watch this space...



Monday 22nd January: Year Three trip to Buddhist Temple



Wednesday 31st January: Hatcham Gardens meeting, 6 to 7pm at Kender school



Thursday 8th
February: Year Six trip to
Natural History Museum



Friday 9th February: school closes for half-term



Monday 19th February: school re-opens

Friday 19th January 2024 (the anniversary Year 1874 to 2024)

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Well done to the children and staff this week for keeping themselves warm, in school and focussed on learning. It has been a very calm and productive week in school despite the cold temperatures.

Next week Year Three will be visiting a Buddhist temple as part of their planned RE curriculum. All of our curriculum documents are with the statutory framework set by the Government. Everything we teach is set as a national expectation and our curriculum meets these expectations. These trips are essential to support and enhance this learning we do expect all children to attend. Nothing is organised that will compromise or challenge their individual faiths.

Furthermore, parents we do request that you make contributions towards these trips to enable us to keep planning and organising these experiences and payments can be made via Arbor.

Thank you all for the entries for the **Kender at 150** logo competition. I've extended the deadline to cover this weekend. The first meeting of the organising committee will be on Thursday 25th January at 4.00pm; if you would like to help plan this amazing achievement please email Alice Luxmoore at SBM@kender.lewisham.sch.uk

Today in Above & Beyond assembly, I shared some examples of excellent home reading diaries. It is the expectation that children read at home overnight. Please ask them to show you their reading diaries and see how regularly they are reading. Mums and dads of children in Yrs 1 & 2 you can write comments in their diaries. For our older children they should be writing in their diaries by themselves.

Please take a look at the Peabody newsletter: https://www.kender.lewisham.sch.uk/news/? pid=3&nid=1&storyid=1373

It will get warmer this weekend and more so next week. Have an enjoyable weekend and I'll see you on the Kender street gate next week.

Mr Barr (Headteacher)

	15/01/24	16/01/24	17/01/24	18/01/24	19/01/24	Av
Rec	90%	93%	93%	93%	90%	
Yr 1	91%	91%	94%	93%	88%	91%
Yr 2	89%	89%	90%	91%	93%	90%
Yr 3	93%	88%	98%	93%	98%	94%
Yr 4	96%	91%	97%	90%	92%	93%
Yr 5	91%	93%	93%	98%	98%	95%
Yr 6	95%	92%	91%	87%	88%	91%
Comment	Much warmer next week, let's see even more 98%s please					

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 closes early to children for Christmas break, Tuesday 19th December, at 2.30pm.

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

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 21st June

End of term: Wednesday 24th July, 2.30pm



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.

It's been a busy and productive week here at school this week!

On Monday, we were fortunate to have the local police visit our school to conduct a whole-school assembly on 'Stranger Danger'. The session aimed to equip our students with valuable knowledge on staying safe, and we appreciate the efforts of our community partners in promoting a secure environment for our children.

Our Year 3 students had an enriching experience at Besson Street Gardens as part of their Science topic, exploring the fascinating world of birds, bees, trees, and leaves. This is helping to enhance their Science curriculum.

On Monday 22nd January, Year 3 will be visiting the Buddhapadipa Temple in Wimbledon as part of their Religious Education curriculum, deepening their understanding of Buddhism. Please ensure your child is prepared for this exciting trip!

As the weather remains chilly, we kindly request that you continue to ensure your children are wrapped up warmly when coming to school.

I hope that you and your families have a wonderful weekend ahead.

Stay warm!



If you have any concerns please contact the school office.

Phone number: 020 76394654

Kender is 150....

Planning for an organising committee, meeting on Thursday 25th January, 4.00pm at Kender school.

Come and join us and be part of shaping this amazing year....