

# Kender Newsletter



Kender school opened on 8th June 1874.

This year we will celebrate 150 years.

Watch this space...



**Monday 18th March:**  
swimming for Year Four



**Wednesday 20th March:**  
Year Five to London Bridge



**Wednesday 27th March:**  
Disco - see Arbor for details



**Thursday 29th March:**  
school closes at 2.30



**Monday 15th April:** school re-opens for children

Friday 15th March 2024 (the anniversary Year 1874 to 2024)

**Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,**

Thank you to all mums and dads who came along to Parents' meetings this week. These are really important meetings and such a great opportunity to see how well the children are doing in school. Thank you for all the positive feedback, I have passed on my thanks and praise to the teachers and staff for all their excellent work.

We are sorry that Parents' Meetings for Wilson class had to be rearranged, these will now take place on Tuesday & Thursday of next week. Children in Year Six have their Parents' day on Tuesday too.

On Thursday we had a **Safeguarding Audit**. We organised this to help us become even better at ensuring we are effective in managing the safety of all children at Kender, both in school and within the local community. We have some actions to work on that will further strengthen our practice, which I will share with Governing Body at our meeting on Wednesday.

On Monday we will be celebrating **St Patricks Day** (17th March) at Kender. If this a celebration that children or families observe then please send your children dressed in traditional dress or wearing green.

The children have been great, again, this week in school. There has been some excellent **attendance** this week. Please note that we are regularly seeing classes with over 97% attendance on individual days ( see below ). Come on all at Kender, let's keep increasing these 'green' days at Kender.

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend with plenty of Comic Relief!!! I'll be on the Faulkner Street gate next week.

Mr Barr (Headteacher)

	11/03/24	12/03/24	13/03/24	14/03/24	15/03/24	Average
<b>Rec</b>	95%	97%	95%	97%	90%	
<b>Yr 1</b>	87%	87%	89%	95%	94%	90%
<b>Yr 2</b>	93%	89%	93%	92%	93%	92%
<b>Yr 3</b>	90%	90%	92%	98%	98%	94%
<b>Yr 4</b>	95%	100%	100%	97%	98%	98%
<b>Yr 5</b>	99%	100%	97%	100%	98%	99%
<b>Yr 6</b>	89%	93%	93%	86%	89%	90%
	92%	93%	94%	95%	95%	94%
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**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 closes, 2.30pm on Thursday 28th March.**

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**

## 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.

### Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended Parents Evening this week. Our teachers have put in a tremendous amount of effort to prepare the mid-year reports, which we hope will provide valuable insights and targets for your child/children for the rest of the academic year.

### Year 6 Parent Meetings

A friendly reminder that Year 6 meetings will be held throughout the day next week on Tuesday 19th March. If you haven't already done so, please ensure you sign up via Arbor. There are still a few places available, so don't miss out on this opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their teachers.

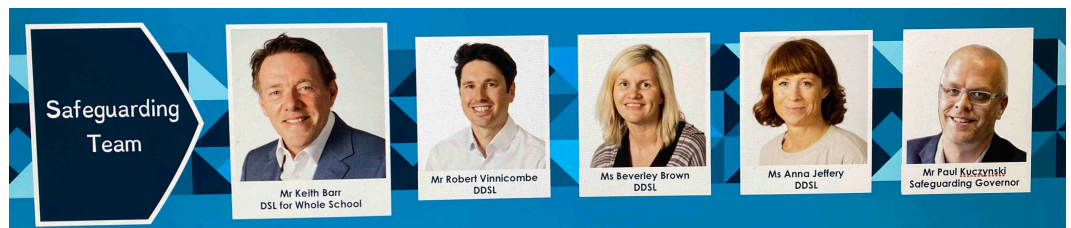
### Year 5 Educational Visit

I'm looking forward to accompanying Year 5 on their excursion to London Bridge. On Wednesday 20th March, Year 5 will be exploring the River Thames and its surroundings. As ever this promises to be an enriching experience for our children and will allow them to deepen their understanding of the world by being outside the classroom.

Ramadan Mubarak to all our families who are observing Ramadan this month!

I wish you all a restful weekend, see you on Monday.

Mr Vinnicombe  
Deputy Headteacher



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

**Phone number: 020 76394654**

### Friends of Kender

Monday 18th March, PTA/FoK meeting at 5.30pm at Kender School

We are holding a **Disco** after school to help raise money for Kender@150.

Please visit Arbor and buy your tickets: £3 for KS1 and £4 for KS2

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting on Monday, Mary King (Chair of the PTA).