

Kender Newsletter



Kender school opened on 8th June 1874.

This year we will celebrate 150 years.

Watch this space...



Tuesday 26th March:
Bangladesh
Independence Day



Wednesday 27th March:
Disco - see Arbor for details



Wednesday 27th March:
Yr2 to Buckingham
palace



Thursday 29th March:
school closes at 2.30,
Nursery closed this day



Monday 15th April: school
re-opens for children

Friday 22nd March 2024 (the anniversary Year 1874 to 2024)

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

An apology from me. I am very sorry, but in the newsletter last week, I omitted to mention Neurodiversity week. The children have spent time today thinking about how children can learn in different ways and how we can better understand others' learning needs.

Next week children can wear **clothes of their choice** on both Wednesday and Thursday. Children who are performing in the music assembly on Monday can wear their performance clothes for the whole day. We will be marking the anniversary of independence for Bangladesh. Families and children for whom Bangladesh is of importance can wear significant clothes/dress for this day.

It is another busy week next week. Children in Year Four continue with their swimming lessons. They have made great progress this week and for many if they can keep going for regular swimming after these lessons it will help cement their confidence in water. Being able to swim is such an important life skill and can help children remain safe.

The **disco** is on Wednesday. Tickets are available via Arbor. Only children with tickets will be allowed to come to the disco and the last opportunity to purchase tickets will be Tuesday evening. There will be no further sales of tickets on Wednesday.

We held a full meeting of the **Governing Body** on Wednesday. We have an excellent team of informed and supportive governors. The meeting was very productive and covered outcomes of the recent pupil survey, which School Council will consider early in the summer term. Also discussed was the overall numbers of pupils in schools across New Cross and preferences parents make for these schools. One of the outcomes of these discussions is the re-development of the school website; we will keep you updated about this process.

This will be the last newsletter for the Spring term. I'll take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support for all the children and for us. All of the key dates for the end of this term and start of the summer term are on this newsletter. When it does arrive, I wish you all a relaxing Spring break. Do remind children that they should still be reading each day, even on their school holidays.

School closes at 2.30pm next Thursday.

I wish you all a lovely weekend. I'll be on the Briant Street gate next week.

Mr Barr (Headteacher)

	18/03/24	19/03/24	20/03/24	21/03/24	22/03/24	Average
Rec	94%	97%	97%	97%	97%	
Yr 1	94%	95%	95%	98%	96%	96%
Yr 2	93%	94%	94%	96%	96%	94%
Yr 3	98%	90%	95%	96%	98%	95%
Yr 4	100%	97%	96%	94%	98%	97%
Yr 5	93%	94%	93%	95%	95%	94%
Yr 6	90%	94%	94%	96%	91%	93%
	95%	94%	95%	96%	96%	95%

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 Monday 15th 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.

Wow! Another very busy week in school.

A week with some more great attendance; Reception class showing the way this week..!!!

On Monday next week, Reception class will be going to Tate Modern. They will be exploring the Turbine Hall and travelling up the giant escalators inside Tate Modern. Thank you to all the mums and dads who are helping on this trip; your time and support enables such exciting trips to happen.

Teachers have started planning trips for the summer term and already we have a few dates to share:

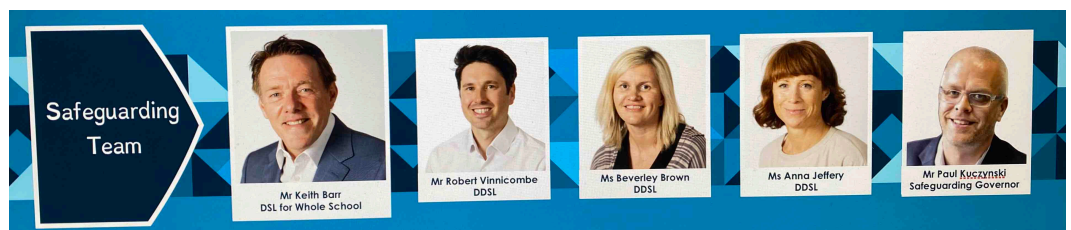
Thursday 18th April, Year One are going to the Natural History Museum;
Friday 26th April, Year Five will be going to the British Museum.

Thank you to Ms Nweze, who has organised another Easter Egg hunt. Easter Egg hunts will take place for all classes on Wednesday, with children in Year two enjoying their egg hunt on Thursday.

Parents of children in Year Six if you did not manage to meet with your child's class teacher please contact the school office and we can arrange a separate appointment; it is essential that each teacher meets with all parents of children in Year Six.

Have a fantastic Easter break when it arrives...

Mr Vinnicombe
Deputy Headteacher



If you have any concerns please contact the school office.

Phone number: 020 76394654

Friends of Kender

Monday 25th 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).