

Kender Newsletter



Kender school opened on 8th June 1874.

This year we will celebrate 150 years.



Monday 6th May: school closed for all children



Monday 13th May:

SATs week for children in Year 6



Monday 20th May: Walk to School Week



Friday 24th May: Last day of term

Monday 3rd June: school re-opens for children

Friday 3rd May 2024 (the anniversary Year 1874 to 2024)

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

At least we had some sunshine this week!

All week the children have been great; really engaged and producing some fabulous work; some of whom have come to show me.

Today we hosted three guests from Apple Education. Following an invitation from Apple, the visit was planned to help support us with their application to become an Apple Distinguished School. Our next step is to complete the supporting evidence, which will involve making a three minute film about the impact of technology on children and their learning at Kender. At the end of the morning, we had some excellent feedback, which included these comments:

'Thank you...introducing us to your lovely, creative school...enjoyed learning about your journey with Apple.'

'What a fantastic morning...wonderful to see the creative, exciting and dynamic environment.'

#kenderconfidence

Next week I will be leading the Wellbeing and Safeguarding Committee for governors, which will happen on Thursday at 5.30pm. At this meeting I will share information and data about children's behaviour, attendance and their perspectives on wellbeing at school. Governors will discuss and agree policies on Attendance, Behaviour, Mental Health and Wellbeing and Supporting Children with Medical Needs.

The KenderGiving page has now gone live. Already we have over £800 in money offered. We ask if you can steer friends and family towards this page to help raise funds to support our aims for Kender@150.

<https://localgiving.org/charity/friends-of-kender/>

I hope you all enjoy the longer weekend. On Tuesday, I'll be on the Kender Street gate.

Mr Barr (Headteacher)

	29/04/24	30/04/24	01/05/24	02/05/24	03/05/24	Average
Rec	97%	94%	88%	88%	91%	
Yr 1	90%	93%	92%	98%	92%	93%
Yr 2	91%	93%	91%	98%	93%	93%
Yr 3	95%	94%	90%	94%	97%	94%
Yr 4	98%	97%	96%	95%	98%	97%
Yr 5	98%	96%	93%	100%	100%	97%
Yr 6	96%	95%	93%	91%	90%	93%
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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 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.

Another eventful week at Kender!

During Wednesday's staff meeting, Ms. Nweze gave an excellent presentation all about 'mini lessons' in English. She shared her experiences implementing this Writing for Pleasure technique that focuses on specific writing skills. Yet another step on our journey to changing the way we deliver writing at Kender. A massive thank you to Ms. Nweze for an insightful and inspiring staff meeting.

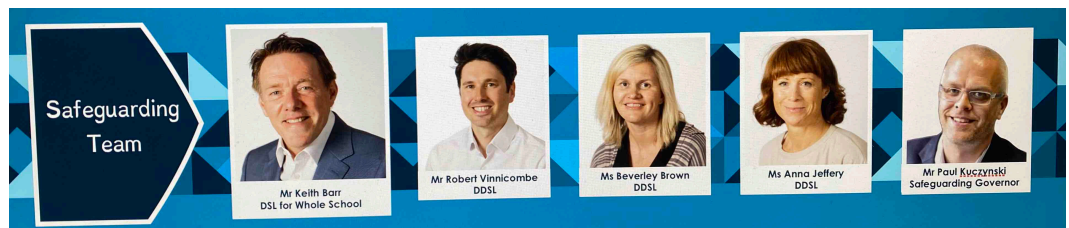
A gentle reminder to all Year 6 parents: SATs are fast approaching. They begin on Monday 13th May and finish on Thursday 16th May, our year 6 children have been diligently preparing for these assessments. We couldn't be prouder of their resilience and dedication. To ensure a calm and energized start to each day during SATs week, Year 6 will be running a breakfast club starting at 08:15. This will provide our children with breakfast and an opportunity to unwind with friends, in a clam environment, before the day's challenges.

Don't forget, there will be no school on Monday due to the bank holiday!

Wishing everyone a fantastic long weekend.

See you all bright and early on Tuesday!

Mr. Vinnicombe
Deputy Headteacher



If you have any concerns please contact the school office.

Phone number: 020 76394654

Friends of Kender

Monday 13th May PTA/FoK meeting at 5.30pm at Kender School

Friday 24th May, 3.45-4.30pm Stay & Play after school - a chance to socialise and celebrate the end of term with games in the playground

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