

Kender Newsletter



Kender school opened on 8th June 1874.



11th November 2024:

11am, 2 minute silence



November 2024:

Walk to school month



Monday 18th November:

Writing Residency week, including Governor day, Wednesday 20th November



Tuesday 26th November & Thursday 28th November



Friday 20th December:

INSET day, school closes at 2.30pm on Thursday 19th December.

Friday 8th November (the anniversary Year 1874 to 2024)

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Welcome back. I hope you all managed to find some time to rest over the half-term break.

We have a busy term ahead. Please read and check this newsletter each week to ensure you're up-to-date with everything that is happening; check the website too.

Next week, children will have their **photographs** taken, both as individuals and with their siblings. These photos will be taken on Wednesday 13th November. I'm sure they'll all arrive with the neatest of hairstyles.

On Monday children in Reception and Year Six will have their heights and weights measured.

With this in view, please remember it is **walk to school month**. A small increase in daily steps walked can support children in becoming more active. I've increased mine; currently averaging 5,600 steps per day.

At the end of this month we hold our Autumn Term Parents' Evenings. These will take place on Tuesday 26th and Thursday 28th November. You will be able to book appointments via Arbor from next week. Please sign up, we want to see all parents attending these meetings. In conjunction with the meetings there will be other things happening in school:

Book Fair, Parent Survey, Olive Dining tasting.

For parents whose first language is not English we can arrange for translators at the meetings. Do please let us know in advance if you would like a translator. If any parent needs help booking a slot the office team are always happy to help.

Almost the last from me, please remember to support and encourage children to read at home every night. They have book folders and reading records and should read for at least 20 minutes each evening. It is so, so important that all children develop a love of reading.

Very last thing. Come on Kender! Kender football teams will be playing on Blackheath tomorrow morning. Join us if you can!

I'll be on the Faulkner Street gate next week.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Barr (Headteacher)

	04/11/24	05/11/24	06/11/24	07/11/24	08/11/24	Average
Rec	90%	96%	94%	96%	90%	
Yr 1	78%	91%	89%	89%	91%	88%
Yr 2	81%	94%	93%	88%	89%	89%
Yr 3	90%	98%	100%	100%	98%	97%
Yr 4	95%	100%	95%	97%	97%	97%
Yr 5	94%	95%	98%	100%	100%	97%
Yr 6	86%	91%	94%	100%	100%	94%
KS2...make Monday the new Friday...						

Term Dates: 2024/25

Autumn Term

INSET day: Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd September

School re-open:
Wednesday 4th September

Autumn Half-term

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November.

School re-opens

Monday 4th November

INSET day: Friday 20th December

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

Spring Term

School re-opens for children on Monday 6th January 2025

Half-term

Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February,

School re-opens for children on Monday 24th February 2024

School closes, 2.30pm on Thursday 4th April.

School closed to children for Easter break, Friday 29th March.

Summer Term

INSET day: Tuesday 22nd April

School re-opens for children on Wednesday 23rd April 2025

Half-term

Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May

School re-opens to children Monday 2nd June 2024

School closes to children for the summer break, Tuesday 22nd July, at 2.30pm.

INSET days: we have one more to allocate

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.

A very busy first week back!

On Monday 11th November it is Remembrance Day and we will be having a two minute silence at 11:00 to remember all the people affected by war and hope for a peaceful future. On Monday, I gave an assembly to the children about Remembrance Day and why we mark this occasion with Poppies and a silence. The children are welcome to wear a Poppy or make their own for Monday.

A reminder to all parents that the Scholastic Book Fair will be at Kender to coincide with parents evening meetings from the week beginning the 25th November. Come and explore the amazing books on offer. The school does receive 10% of all sales back in books for the school.

Good luck to the Girls and Boys' football teams at Blackheath tomorrow! Come on Kender!

Have a great weekend and I'll see you all on Monday.

Mr Vinnicombe
Deputy Headteacher



If you have any concerns please contact the school office.

Phone number: 020 76394654

Friends of Kender/PTA

Monday 11th November, 5.30-6.30pm, PTA/FoK annual general meeting

Kender raffle starts from now...please bring in packets, tins of food, toiletries & small, new but unwanted gifts...

Thursday 12th December, 3.30-7pm - Movie Night for the kids

Help build a mud kitchen; watch this space...!