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16th October 2026

Kender Newsletter

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Trips:
Mon 19th October:
Yr6 School Journey
Tues 20th October:
Yr5 Science Museum,
Yr3 Nat Hist Museum.

Open Mornings:
Thursday 22nd October, 9.15am



Friday 23rd October, last day of this half-term.

All of Yr6 should have their Secondary Transfer forms completed and submitted today.



FoK/PTA

Winter Fair

Saturday 21st November.



Individual Photos
Wednesday 25th November.

	12/10/26	13/09/26	14/10/26	15/10/26	16/10/26	Average
Rec	**98%**	94%	91%	**97%**	84%	93%
Yr 1	**95%**	**97%**	90%	90%	90%	92%
Yr 2	**98%**	**96%**	**98%**	**98%**	**96%**	**97%**
Yr 3	89%	88%	**97%**	94%	91%	92%
Yr 4	90%	**96%**	**96%**	91%	92%	93%
Yr 5	**95%**	**95%**	93%	**95%**	87%	93%
Yr 6	**95%**	**95%**	**97%**	**96%**	90%	**95%**
	Excellent Yr2 and much better Yr6. **Friday, we need to see you all in school like everyday!**					

Friday 16th October 2026

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

It has been a really good week in school for many reasons. However, I have had to speak with **Year Six** about bringing things into school. This morning in assembly I reminded all children that there are only some things children should bring into school: a book bag, water bottle, PE kit and perhaps a packed lunch(although we encourage all children to eat school lunches, which are excellent.) Other than these items, children should not bring anything else into school. This does include mints or gum, neither of which are permitted in school.

School trips: we have kept this payment the same for this year. It is £50 for the year, or £36 if you are entitled to Free School Meals. The payments can be made in two instalments, and Yr6 if you pay for School Journey in full the trips payment is free. **Please pay just as soon as you can.**

Parent Governor: nominations have now closed. One parent has put themself forward and I will liaise with the clerk to the governing board to check the next steps.

Pupil Survey: next week we will ask children to complete the annual pupil survey. For children in Year Six they can complete their surveys the first week after half-term. We use this data to share with School Council to consider responses for next steps towards improving our school. Children have space to share their ideas too. This week several children have come to me with ideas including: Fancy Dinner Day, Class Swap Day and

Next week, I will Mr Vinnicombe will be on School Journey, so I will be be in school every day.

Have a lovely weekend!
Mr. Barr (Headteacher)

Dates in October:

School Journey: Monday 19th to Friday 23rd October
Open Morning#3: Thursday 22nd October, 09.15
Secondary Transfer Form: should be submitted by Friday 23rd October(Yr6 only)

Autumn Term 2026

INSET day#1: Wednesday 2nd September

School re-opens to children Thursday 3rd September 2026

Half-term
Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October

School re-opens to children Monday 2nd November 2026
School closes to children for the Christmas break, Friday 18th December, at 1.30pm.

Spring Term 2026

INSET day#2 Monday 4th January 2027

School re-opens to children Tuesday 5th January 2027

Half-term
Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February

School re-opens to children Monday 22nd February 2027

School closes to children for the Easter break, Thursday 25th March, at 1.30pm.

Summer Term 2026

INSET day#3 Monday 12th April 2027
School re-opens to children Tuesday 13th April 2027

Half-term
Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027

School re-opens to children Monday 7th June 2027

School closes to children for the Summer break, Tuesday 20th July, at 1.30pm.

INSET day#4: Wednesday 21st July 2027
INSET day#5: Thursday 22nd July 2027

Autumn Term 2027

INSET day#1: Wednesday 1st September

School re-opens to children Thursday 2nd September 2027

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

Homework: As well as reading, homework is assigned each week on Fridays and should be returned to school by Wednesday the following week.

PE/Sports: 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.

Would you rather...?

Go camping - good idea or bad idea?

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Year 6 School Journey

The excitement in Year 6 has reached fever pitch today as we prepare to head off to **Cuffley Active Learning Centre** in Potters Bar for next week's school journey! We can't wait to make some lifelong memories, challenge ourselves, and, most importantly, have lots of fun together. The current forecast suggests a rainy start to the week, so please remember to pack waterproofs, wellies, and plenty of spare socks. Whatever the weather, we're determined to make the most of every moment and have a fantastic time!

Bike Bus
We probably had our wettest Bike Bus ever this morning, but despite the miserable weather, it was amazingly well attended. Thank you to everyone who braved the rain and joined us on the ride to school!
Next week will be the final Bike Bus of the half term and, indeed, for a little while, as we will be taking a winter break before starting up again in the new year.
Although the Year 6 children and I won't be there next Friday because we'll be away on school journey, I'll certainly be thinking of the Bike Bus and hoping for slightly drier conditions!

Have a relaxing weekend.
Mr Vinnicombe
Deputy Headteacher



If you have any concerns please contact the school office.

Phone number: 020 76394654

FoK/PTA:

Fancy Dress Disco - Thursday 5th November

3.45 to 5pm

Yrs Rec to Yr6

Winter Fair, Saturday 21st November, 11 to 2pm
Parents who want a stall at the Winter Fair for your own business:

- please inform the school office asap, and before half term
- each stall will be £20