

Kentish Town C of E Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week it has been lovely to have Beech class back in school after their wonderful week at Foxlease in the New Forest. It also continues to be challenging as Johnny (Beech class teacher), Chloe (Cedar class teacher) and Jessica (Oak class teacher) have all tested positive for Covid in the last couple of days. Luckily we have enough capacity at present to keep classes open but your understanding if things are not quite as normal is appreciated. Flora is covering Beech, Karen is covering Cedar and Jahanara is leading the team in Oak class.

Eid Party—14th July after school

We will be hosting our Eid Tea on Thursday 14th July after school. It will take place in the main playground. This is a party and a free event. Please can you bring some food to share on the day. You can bring any kind of party food. Please bring it in before 2:30pm so that we can set up. The children do not have to wear school uniform on the day, they can come in their Eid clothes or any party clothes and contribute one pound which will go to Islamic Relief. Everyone is very welcome so please come along and join in with the festivities. Please do not bring food with nuts — thank you. Jahanara.

Broadstairs

Huge thanks to the parent helpers who came along to the briefing this morning. The Broadstairs trip will go ahead and there will be a teacher leading each group. Please remember that your child/ren should be in school for 7.30 —7.45 as we will be boarding coaches and leaving by 8am. We aim to be back at school for around 6pm but this depends on the traffic. Pam will text you when we are due back at school. Please collect your child/ren promptly.

Hot Weather Plans

Next Monday and Tuesday, the temperature is likely to be 35 and 36 degrees here in London. I have asked the kitchen team to prepare cold options for lunch with salads and fresh fruit. Children will be encouraged to drink water throughout the day. We have placed benches in shady spots in the playground and we will be limiting the children's exposure to the sun at lunchtime by offering children an indoor option with a film in class. Please help your child by dressing them appropriately for the temperature and by providing them with a water bottle, sunscreen and a sunhat. Each morning, Jimmy opens the building and we let as much heat out as possible. There are no trips or visits on Monday or Tuesday next week.

Meet the New Teacher

Your child/ren will be meeting their new teacher, in their new classroom on Monday 18th July. We hope to be able to let you know the Teaching Assistant Team by then as well. As I write this, Grant and Miriam are recruiting for two new teaching assistants.

My Role — September 2022

I have been appointed as an Advisor for the London Diocesan Board for Schools (LDBS). Seconded for just less than a day each week, I will be supporting school leaders in two London Boroughs. The appointment is a temporary arrangement for one academic year. Grant will lead the school on the days when I am working for the LDBS. He will be well supported by Emma, Miriam and other senior staff. The LDBS will pay the school for my time and this income will support our school budget. Grant is an exceptionally experienced Deputy and I have complete confidence in his and the Senior Leadership Team's capacity.

End of Term Dates

Friday 15th July: Y1 – Y6 Broadstairs trip to the seaside

Wednesday 20th July: Year 6 show, "The Prince of Egypt" - 6pm in the hall (performance for parents/carers)

Thursday 21st July: Year 6 Leavers' Service – 2pm in the playground

Friday 22nd July: Staff and Children Leaving – 9.30am in the playground

Friday 22nd July - End of Term. Please collect children at 1pm for the Summer Holiday.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend in the sunshine.

Best wishes,

James Humphries - Headteacher