



Kingsgate Primary School Newsletter

Friday 1st April 2022

Dear parents and carers
Wishing you all the restful and happy holiday that you all deserve.
Thank you for your help and support for the school. We appreciate it very much.
I would also like to say thank you to all our staff for their hard work and dedication. The children are doing so well!



Best wishes
Liz Hayward
Headteacher

School attendance
Please note that any absence before or after Easter will be unauthorised, unless there is a strong medical reason for your child to be absent.

Camden guidance on Primary children fasting in school during Ramadan

Fasting is not obligatory for young children until they reach puberty. Prior to this, some parents and carers encourage half-day and weekend fasts. Some families may be considering children from Years 5 and 6 fasting for longer. It is not advised for children younger than 7 to observe a whole fast and if they are, this should be under parental supervision and outside of school hours. Whilst the decision to fast is an individual family’s decision, and we want to be respectful of a family’s decision, we are also mindful of the impact that fasting may have on children’s health and wellbeing and their learning.

Where you wish your primary-aged children to fast, we would ask you to encourage weekend fasting at home, rather than in school.

It is important that you let the school know in advance if your child is fasting, and particularly what their fasting will involve e.g. will they abstain from drinking water, in order to safeguard them against health risks and be able to support them. Thank you for your help with this.

Red Nose day—Comic Relief
Thank you to everyone! The children loved dressing up in red and you raised £574 for charity.



Kingsgate Primary School Parents’ and Carers’ Coffee Mornings
Please join us if you can

- 19th April KS2 Welcome coffee morning
- 26th April EYFS /KS1 Parenting taster session—Parent gym
- 3rd May EYFS/KS1 Social media and children’s mental health
- 10th May KS2 Benefit advice workshop
- 17th May EYFS KS1 Managing our own stress and wellbeing
- 24th May EYFS KS1 Asthma awareness



A reminder about Online Safety...

If you choose to give your child a mobile phone or have time on a tablet, then you as parents are responsible for their behaviour online.

Staff are spending time sorting out issues that happen at home when children are on group chats, for example, WhatsApp and Snapchat. **The minimum age for Snapchat, Instagram and TikTok is 13 years old.** Younger children have the technical knowledge to participate, but not the emotional maturity to deal with issues that arise from these platforms.

Please make sure children are supervised online so that they are safe. Thank you.

Dates for your diary

Spring Holiday - 2nd April to 18th April

19th April Children back to school for the start of the summer term

Monday 2nd May 2022 Bank Holiday SCHOOL CLOSED

Half term Friday 27th May – Friday 3rd June 2022

End of term Friday 22nd July 2022

Monday 5th September Children back to school for the start of the autumn term

Kingsgate KS2 choir sang beautifully at the 2022 Camden Music Spring Festival. Well done everyone!



'Have Your Say' in Year 5 and Year 6

We asked our the children what new law they would make if they could.

Here are some of the thoughtful and caring things that they said:

Essential workers should be payed higher wages – an example of this is bin men, without them the streets would be a mess but they are paid next to nothing.

Reduce the petrol in use – help to save the planet as gases are bad for the environment.

All education should be free for everybody – you should not have to pay for any education, this will put everyone at a closer level for future life and job prospects.

All residents and citizens have access to urgent medical care within a month – ensuring that everyone, no matter if they can afford it or not, get to see a doctor. Not all illnesses are seen soon enough and medication costs too much money.

Racism – black people are getting arrested for no reason so we should have stricter laws preventing racism