



Kingsgate Primary School Newsletter

Friday 27 January 2023

Dear parents and carers
We are always really happy to answer any questions about school, no matter how small. Do ask one of the senior leaders at the school gate or pop in to the school office to ask questions. You can always ask to make an appointment with your child's teacher. If you are worried about something, see us or email us straight away. Don't let a little worry turn in to a big one.
Best wishes
Liz Hayward
Headteacher

Year 6 Gardening Club



The new Year 6 Garden club are busy preparing for spring. They are working hard to ensure the science garden is full of life and colour. They have re-planted the herb garden and have planted sweet pea tomato and bean seeds that have begun to shoot. We will keep you updated once

WINNERS OF THE CASTLEHAVEN LEAGUE!


You will be pleased to hear that our boys' and girls' football teams have been very successful this year. The boys' team have won the Castlehaven League and have made it through to the Camden finals. Our girls' team have made the playoffs and have a chance to reach the finals on the 21st February. Well done children – we are so proud of you!

Fantastic gymnastics

The children have been doing some great work in gymnastics this term. As children move up the school they build on what they have learned in previous years.



The Camden Mental Health Support Team are pleased to offer parents and carers a series of workshops to support their children's well-being. Each workshop will last up to 60 minutes and have an optional follow-up of 30 minutes for parents and carers to ask questions or discuss the topic further. Parents and carers can register for any of the above webinars through Eventbrite for free at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mhst-parent-and-carerwebinar-series-2022-2023-tickets-415252660887>



Topics covered include: sibling rivalry, sleep, supporting childhood worries and screen-time.

Keeping Your Child Safe Online

Children may have received gifts that enable them to go online: mobiles, games, tablets etc.

When you gift a device that can access the internet, you're not just gifting the device itself: you're giving a portal to the entire online world. And while that includes all the fun bits, like chatting with friends and finding new favourite games, it also comes with a whole host of potential safeguarding risks.



In the offline world, we teach children and young people how to be safe. We show them how to cross the road carefully, we talk to them about stranger danger, not to touch hot things and what to do in an emergency.

When children and young people are introduced to new devices and given access to the online world, those same safeguarding principles should be applied – and prioritised.

Just as you wouldn't drop your child off at the school gate unsupervised on their first trip there, so too should first encounters with online spaces be accompanied and guided. Here is a useful guide for parents: <https://ineqe.com/2022/12/15/guide-to-gifting-tech>

You can watch this two-minute video about what to do if your child sees or hears harmful content: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=16lp86IS4hA>

And you can read further guidance for parents on protecting your child from harmful online content: <https://ineqe.com/2022/09/21/harmful-content-online>



Holocaust Memorial Day

In KS2 today we held a special assembly to mark Holocaust Memorial Day, to remember and honour the lives of the six million Jewish men, women and children as well as Roma and others who lost their lives at the hands of the Nazi regime during World War II. The children were respectful and reflective in the assembly.

Dates for your diary

7th February Coffee morning: Asthma awareness

7th February Safer Internet Day with the theme 'Want to Talk about it?'

13 February - 17 February Half Term

24th February Parent Teacher meetings

28th February Citizens' Advice: Money Advice

2nd March World Book day. Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character

14th March Internet Safety and safe settings on devices

28th March 4pm Spring Term Music Concert (for parents of children in choir or music clubs)

31 March Last day of spring term

17 March First day of summer term