

April 2022 - Parent Newsletter



Friday 1st April 2022

End of the spring term.

It is hard to believe that it is now two years since COVID came into our lives and we are all still living with the aftermaths of the pandemic at school and personally.

The only positive is that we have been able to ensure continuity of learning for the children and avoided school closure so far this academic year. Two terms down as we approach the final term of the school year.

The summer term is a crucial term when we really start to see a transformation in pupils as they start to show increased maturity and improved attitudes to learning. It is also a term in which the staff will be working hard to ensure pupils are prepared and ready to face the next stage of their learning journey.

We will also be returning to formal assessments with the reinstating of End of KS 1 assessments – SATS for Year 2 pupils during May and in Early years' staff will be assessing the children against the early learning goals, to identify those learners who are showing good levels of development.

Year 1 pupils will be assessed on their phonics knowledge and essential skills for developing reading skills with the phonics screening check.

Therefore, during the Easter break it is important to ensure that all homework tasks are completed and children read daily using and applying their phonics knowledge. Year 2 pupils should be focusing more on reading and comprehension skills.

Staffing update.

On Friday 1st April we sadly say goodbye to Miss. Pennant who has been the early years' phase leader for the last 5 years. Her leaving will be a huge loss to the school and we would like to wish her all the very best for the future as she commences her new role as Advisory teacher for the hearing impaired for the London Borough of Harrow.

Miss. Tutt the new Unicorn class teacher has made visits to the school and spent time with the pupils and Miss. Pennant to ensure a seamless transition. We are looking forward to welcoming her to KPINS.

Mrs. Vyas will be absent from school until the 19th May for personal reasons. Pixie class will be covered internally by the school staff.

Dates for your diary.

What is coming up this term?

Date	Year group	Activity	Time	Arrangements	Venue
25 th April	Year 1- Dolphin class	Parent and child story telling session in the hall.	2.30 p.m.	Parent read with their child promoting a love of books and reading.	School hall.
26 th April	Year 1- Starfish class	Parent and child story telling session in the hall.	2.40 p.m.	Parent read with their child promoting a love of books and reading.	School hall.
27 th April	Year 1- Sea Turtle class	Parent and child story telling session in the hall.	2.45 p.m.	Parent read with their child promoting a love of books and reading.	School hall.
27 th April	Reception – Fairy Class	Oral Hygiene workshops		On line with a parent work book	You Tube link to be provided.
28 th April	Unicorn Class	Oral Hygiene workshops		On line with a parent work book	You Tube link to be provided.
	Bear Class	Oral Hygiene workshops		On line with a parent work book	You Tube link to be provided.
29 th April	Pixie Class	Oral Hygiene workshops		On line with a parent work book	You Tube link to be provided.
	Elephant class	Oral Hygiene workshops		On line with a parent work book	You Tube link to be provided.
3 rd May	Reception – Fairy Class	English workshops		Focus of the workshop on Writing	You Tube link to be provided.
3 rd May	Reception – Fairy Class	Parent and child story telling session in the hall.	2.40 p.m.	Parent read with their child promoting a love of books and reading.	School hall.
4 th May	Unicorn Class	English workshops		Focus of the workshop on Writing	You Tube link to be provided.
4 th May	Unicorn Class	Parent and child story telling session in the hall.	2.40 p.m.	Parent read with their child promoting a love of books and reading.	School hall.
5 th May	Pixie Class	English workshops		Focus of the workshop on Writing	You Tube link to be provided.
5 th May	Pixie Class	Parent and child story telling session in the hall.	2.45 p.m.	Parent read with their child promoting a love of books and reading.	School hall.
Week beginning 23 rd May	All year groups	Walk to school week.	Details to follow		
25 th May	All year	Whole School	Details to		

	groups	WOW walk	follow		
13 th June	Reception – Fairy class	Preparation for transition to Year 1	9.00 a.m.	Reception parents invited to watch a maths lesson delivered to a year 1 class.	In the hall.
14 th June	Reception – Unicorn class	Preparation for transition to Year 1	9.05 a.m.	Reception parents invited to watch a maths lesson delivered to a year 1 class.	In the hall.
16 th June	Reception – Pixie class	Preparation for transition to Year 1	9.10 a.m.	Reception parents invited to watch a maths lesson delivered to a year 1 class.	In the hall.
20 th June	Year 1 – Dolphin class	Preparation for transition to Year 2	9.05 a.m.	Year 1 parents invited to watch a maths lesson delivered to a year 2 class.	In the hall.
21 st June	Year 1 – Starfish class	Preparation for transition to Year 2	9.05 a.m.	Year 1 parents invited to watch a maths lesson delivered to a year 2 class.	In the hall.
23 rd June	Year 1 – Sea Turtle class	Preparation for transition to Year 2	9.10 a.m.	Year 1 parents invited to watch a maths lesson delivered to a year 2 class.	In the hall.
27 th June	Reception – Fairy class	Preparation for transition to Year 1	9.00 a.m.	Reception parents invited to watch an English lesson delivered to a year 1 class.	In the hall.
28 th June	Reception – Unicorn class	Preparation for transition to Year 1	9.05 a.m.	Reception parents invited to watch an English lesson delivered to a year 1 class.	In the hall.
29 th June	Nursery	Nursery parents transition workshop	TBC	Arrangements to be confirmed.	
1 st July	Reception – Pixie class	Preparation for transition to Year 1	9.10 a.m.	Reception parents invited to watch an English lesson delivered to a year 1 class.	In the hall.
4 th July	Year 1 – Dolphin class	Preparation for transition to Year 2	9.05 a.m.	Year 1 parents invited to watch an English lesson delivered to a year 2 class.	In the hall.
5 th July	Year 1 – Starfish class	Preparation for transition to Year 2	9.05 a.m.	Year 1 parents invited to watch an English lesson delivered to a year 2 class.	In the hall.

7 th July	Year 1 – Sea Turtle class	Preparation for transition to Year 2	9.10 a.m.	Year 1 parents invited to watch an English lesson delivered to a year 2 class.	In the hall.
8 th July	All classes	End of year reports due out		Weduc – no paper copies provided.	
11 th July	Parents open evening	Parents opportunity to discuss their child's end of year report	3.45 p.m. to 5 p.m.	No appointments required.	Access via Moorhouse Road Gate.
12 th July	All Year 2	Year 2 production.	TBC Morning and afternoon performances.	Final leavers production	In the hall.
18 th July	Year 2	Leaving event	Time tbc	Parent invited	In the hall

Achievement nominations second half of the Spring term 2022.

Each half term, class teachers nominated pupils from the class to receive a certificate for their efforts and achievements. At such times, under usual circumstances we would invite parents of the pupils to attend a special assembly held in school

Unfortunately, due to the heightened risks of transmission presented by COVID, we want to ensure that our school community continues to keep safe. Therefore, we are celebrating the children's achievements in this month's newsletter. The children will have received their certificates during a virtual class assembly.

Class	Name	Reason for nomination Is for...
Fairy	Adonis	For working really hard in phonics.
	Dekssha	For starting to write sentences independently,
	Agnes	For great progress in all areas of learning.
Pixie	Teodor	For improving his handwriting and writing lovely sentences.
	Swalih	For displaying good knowledge of number bonds to 10 and taking a genuine interest in Maths.
	Emily	For using excellent vocabulary when speaking and also when writing sentences.
Unicorn	Jason	For making a brilliant effort to move his learning forward and for being a 'Tough Tortoise' - never giving up, even when things may be difficult.
	Benjamin	For showing increased maturity and taking ownership of his own learning.
	Damaris	For having a positive attitude and for being friendly to all members of the class.
Dolphin	Darius	For being a keen learner who works hard and always tries his best.
	Zain	For answering lots of questions and being a 'Tough Tortoise'.
	Sofia	For using good phonics skills when reading and being a 'Tough Tortoise'.
Sea Turtle	Daniel	For working hard to improve his reading and writing and responding positively to any

		feedback given. He is a polite, kind member of the class.
	Darius	For working hard in phonics and with his reading by reading regularly on Bug club. He demonstrates that he enjoys school and is becoming more focused on his learning.
	Muddathir	For working consistently hard at improving his reading and writing. He is more focused and enjoys learning and is a helpful member of the class to both adults and children.
Starfish	Mustafa	For demonstrating rapid improvement in his writing.
	Elizabeta	For being a respectful pupil and for showing effort in all areas of the curriculum.
	Mustafa	For being a respectful pupil and demonstrating good progress in his reading and writing.
Chameleon	Jayden	Being a conscientious student who is kind to his friends.
	Beniamin	For contributing some interesting ideas in class discussions which have helped his peers think more deeply about a subject.
	Amy	Always being a 'Tough Tortoise' and challenging herself to produce the best possible pieces of work at school.
Jaguar	Rohan	For working hard and challenging himself to take greater care with his handwriting and presentation skills.
	Dev	For being a 'Tough Tortoise', challenging himself and never giving up during learning tasks.
	Edward	For working hard to make progress with his writing and taking great care with his handwriting skills.
	Rohan	For working hard and challenging himself and taking great care with his handwriting and presentation skills.
Lemur	Kiera	For applying her phonics skills during her reading and writing activities.
	Het	For settling so quickly into the routines of school life. Also for showing enthusiasm towards his learning.
	Mobina	For being so creative in her artwork, particularly her observational drawing of a plant.

First day of school

May Day bank holiday

Half term

Back to school

INSET DAY (Children not in school)

Last day of term

Tuesday 19 April (ALL children expected to be back in school!)

Monday 2nd May.

Monday 30 May – Monday 6 June

Tuesday 7 June

Friday 17 June (Infant School ONLY)

Friday 22 July (finish at 2 p.m. Reception & 2.15 p.m. Years 1 & 2) No afternoon nursery.



REMINDER: **COMPULSARY SCHOOL UNIFORM & PE UNIFORM CONVENES FROM SEPTEMBER!**

Please be reminded that the school takes a hard line regarding compliance with the school uniform. It is parents' responsibility to ensure that their child is wearing the school uniform as stipulated in the school prospectus and website. On Wednesdays we require all children in Year 1 and 2 to wear the schools PE uniform which comprises of **Grey joggers (Option of black shorts in the summer) a grey top and black trainers/plimsolls** and **not**



their own sportswear. This uniform can also be worn for PE lessons, in line with their class timetables, on days other than Wednesday. All Uniform orders can be made via the Weduc App at the school shop.

Remember Black shoes (No Trainers please). Please respect the school's policy and practice by ensuring your child comes to school in the correct uniform. We thank you in advance for your support and compliance.

Required:

As and when cleaner: working hours 3.30 – 6 p.m. week days only (**no qualifications** required but experience of cleaning employment desirable).



As and When Lunch time leaders (1 hour 10 minutes per day) – are you able to work flexibly between the hours of 11.30 – 1 p.m. Please visit the school office and request an application form.



Update on consultation re: Breakfast Club and After School Child Care Provision.

We have conducted two rounds of consultation to identify if there is sufficient demand to commission a company to facilitate a breakfast and afternoon provision as part of the schools wrap around provision. Unfortunately, both times the demand for such a provision has been too low across both schools and therefore is not viable to facilitate. We needed a minimum of 20 children each day morning and afternoon to open such a provision. As the numbers were very low we will not be opening such a provision.

Attendance highlights from the month of January

During the month of **March**, the following classes have received certificates for the best class attendance each week and then for the overall month: **Jaguar Class.**

Week	Class	% attendance
1- 4 March	Bear Class (a.m. Nursery)	100%
7 – 11 March	Pixie Class	99.3%
14 – 18 March	Elephant Class (p.m. Nursery) Jaguar Class	99.2%
21 – 24 March	Bear Class (a.m. Nursery)	96.8%
28 – 31 March	Fairy Class	95.15%
Month of March	Jaguar Class	96.9%

School Travel

Kenmore Park Infant and Nursery is a Healthy School and also has a Travel plan which means that the school is passionate about the health and well-being of its pupils and school community including parents/carers.

We feel very strongly about how children travel to school and encourage all pupils to walk or scooter to school rather than using the car. This is good for their health and also for the environment – helping to reduce carbon dioxide and pollutions which contributes to the increase in the number of pupils suffering from Asthma!

We have designated pods for parking bikes & scooters in different areas of the school for the convenience of parents. We realise that some children live some distance away from the school and may need to come by car however, we would ask that parents park a little distance away from school and walk the rest of the route to school. As an incentive for children who walk we promote Walk on Wednesdays – ‘WOW’. Children who walk to school every Wednesday of each month will receive a WOW badge at the end of the month. We look forward to your support with this initiative.



Fund raising this term.

Thank you for all your support with the Red nose day – Comic relief appeal held on Friday 18th March. With your support £196.90 was raised through the sale of the noses and £187.01 from wearing something Red. A grand total of £383.91 will be sent to the appeal on behalf of the Kenmore Park Infant & Nursery School community.