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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to you as we approach the end of another academic year, as usual, I would like to mention some of this year's highlights.

We were pleased to welcome both Katie Turner and Jacki Keogh to the school in September 2023. On their arrival the school updated its mission to align with the TCT "Exceptional Education for All" vision and simplified Kenley's values to be that of Ambition, Responsibility and Community. To strengthen these values within the school, the "Kenley Way" was also introduced to the children, for them to be ready, be respectful and be safe.

As you know since September 2021, we have been part of The Collegiate Trust. This year, the Education Team for The Collegiate Trust have offered ongoing support to.

- Embed approaches to Early Reading and Phonics
- Support with writing moderation in Years 2 and 6
- Developing our teaching approaches in Maths across the school

We have also received wider support from colleagues in our family of schools.

- Working with Mr Weeks (Head of College VI) to develop the Primary Student Teaching and Mentoring Programme (STAMP).
- Year 12 and 13 students have worked with our Pupil Parliamentarians to develop playground games.
- Others have read with children with the aim of promoting reading for pleasure.

The school have supported the local community through our Macmillan coffee morning, raising £369 for this worthy cause and through your harvest donations given to the local Whyteleafe Food Hub for families in need.

The PTA organised an incredible Fireworks Spectacular and Sip, Shop & Mingle Christmas event which raised over £3,000 for the school.

In December, all KS1 children were given the opportunity of visiting the Beauty & the Beast pantomime in Redhill and shared their acting and singing skills when they took part in their own nativity performance in early December.

**Executive Principal:** Mrs Katie Turner  
**Head of School:** Mrs Jacki Keogh





Children in all year groups have benefitted from outside learning, using our extensive grounds and forest school area. This year all children have been given the opportunity to benefit from learning opportunities outside of school.

To promote an enjoyment of reading for pleasure, arrangements were made for all year groups to visit Purley Library.

Children in years 3 and 4 spent a day at the Horniman Museum. Our years 5 and 6 classes took part in a short residential trip to Aylmerton Education Centre in Norfolk.

We have welcomed parents into school with all year groups class assemblies, face-to-face parent consultation evenings, 'I' rock concerts, sports days for both key stages and our sponsored walk. These have been very well attended and it has been great to see you in school to share in your child's learning.

We also hope you enjoyed our recent Sports Days; these were brilliant events which were supported by the Year 9 and 10 Riddlesdown students, including some of our past pupils! Sports Day showed how much the children enjoy being active, competitive and simply taking part.

Our Year 6 class also showcased their talents with their end of year Aladdin Trouble production last week. They will be leaving us for secondary school at the end of this term, we'd like to wish you all well as you move to your new schools.

We will also be saying goodbye to the following staff this summer, Miss Colliety, who will be taking a year out to travel to Australia and Ms Meikle who is moving to another school. Madame Tavares is looking forward to her well-earned retirement. Ms LeMasson and Miss Henry will also be moving to pastures new. The governors would like to say a big thank you to you for your dedication and hard work over your time at Kenley and wish you the best of luck as you move on to new adventures.

The Governors would like to thank the children, parents and staff for their continued efforts to improve Kenley Primary School. While the outcome of the recent Ofsted inspection is not one that we would have wanted we believe that the overall judgement was the right one at this time. We believe that the school has undergone an incredible transformation over this past year under the leadership of Mrs Turner and Mrs Keogh and we are confident that the school is on the right trajectory.

If we all continue to work together, support our school and keep the children the centre of everything we do we are confident we will be able to continue developing into a school community, which reflects all of our efforts, and we can be truly proud of.



Finally, on behalf of myself and the other members of the local governing board I would like to personally say a heartfelt thank you to Mrs Turner, Mrs Keogh, Mrs Smy and to each member of staff who works at Kenley for your continued dedication, support and hard work you have all given this year. I know it has been another year full of challenges, but you have done a fantastic job, which is hugely appreciated.

Thank you once again for all the help and support you give to the school. It is by working together as a school community that we together make this a happy and successful school for your children.

I hope you all have a relaxing summer break; we look forward to welcoming you all back to the school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

With best wishes to you all on behalf of the Governing Board.

**Carla Hall**  
**Chair of Governors**

