

Kenley Weekly News 11 June 2021



Activities

We have been very limited with events that have been able to take place in school this year. However, now we are enjoying some warmer weather we are making the most of our school grounds and are planning activities for all pupils during this half term. All classes have pond dipping sessions arranged in our new pond area, there will be local visits arranged for our Key Stage 2 pupils and we are having a fun day in the last week of term for our key stage 1 pupils. In the penultimate week of term, we have also arranged a safety week for the children which will involve a range of exciting activities and talks.

I know that many of you will be disappointed that we are not able to arrange our usual end of year events and that, at this time, we are unable to invite parents to share in these activities with their children, however the health and safety of all of our school community has to be our primary concern at this time.

Sports Day

We have arranged a sports day for both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 in the first week of July. Under current guidance, advice continues to be that adults do not come into school. This means that at this time we are unable to invite parents to the event. However, we are hoping that this changes on the 21st June when further restrictions may be lifted.

Ducklings

We now have five new temporary additions to our Kenley family with the arrival of our ducklings. All five eggs hatched on Thursday and the children have been able to visit and hold our new arrival. We will have the ducklings in school next week when we will be able to see them take their first swim and begin the grow their adult feathers.



Covid Cases

There have been an increased number of Covid cases within the Croydon area over the last two weeks. We are working hard to ensure that all the protective measures recommended by the DfE continue to be in place. A letter was sent to all parents earlier this week on behalf of the LA with the following important message from Rachel Flowers at Director of Public Health Croydon:

Follow all COVID-19 safety measures at home, on the way to school, on public transport, when at school, during break times, on the way home from school and during the holidays:

Face: using face coverings as much as possible, for example when queueing, inside the supermarket, on public transport and for secondary schools in corridors and class rooms

Hands: wash/sanitise your hands regularly

Space: keep 2 m away from people outside your household and support bubble; this includes in the street on the way to school / college

Ventilate / Fresh air: keep rooms well ventilated

Take up the vaccine if you are offered it; you won't just be reducing your likelihood of getting sick with COVID, but you will be protecting family members and friends and you will help keep school's open.

Use the lateral flow tests twice a week. This will help identify cases without symptoms as early as possible.

Lastly, can we say that it is vital that you and your children **self isolate for the full 10 days** when you have been asked to. The new COVID variants are more transmissible which makes it even more important that we all follow the guidance.

Transition to Year 7 Resources

Anna Freud are sharing some resources designed to support anyone working with children and young people transitioning to the next phase of their education. Do have a look at our <u>Moving Up! animation and resources</u>, and our <u>new guidance booklet</u> to support parents and carers with their children's transition to secondary school.

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