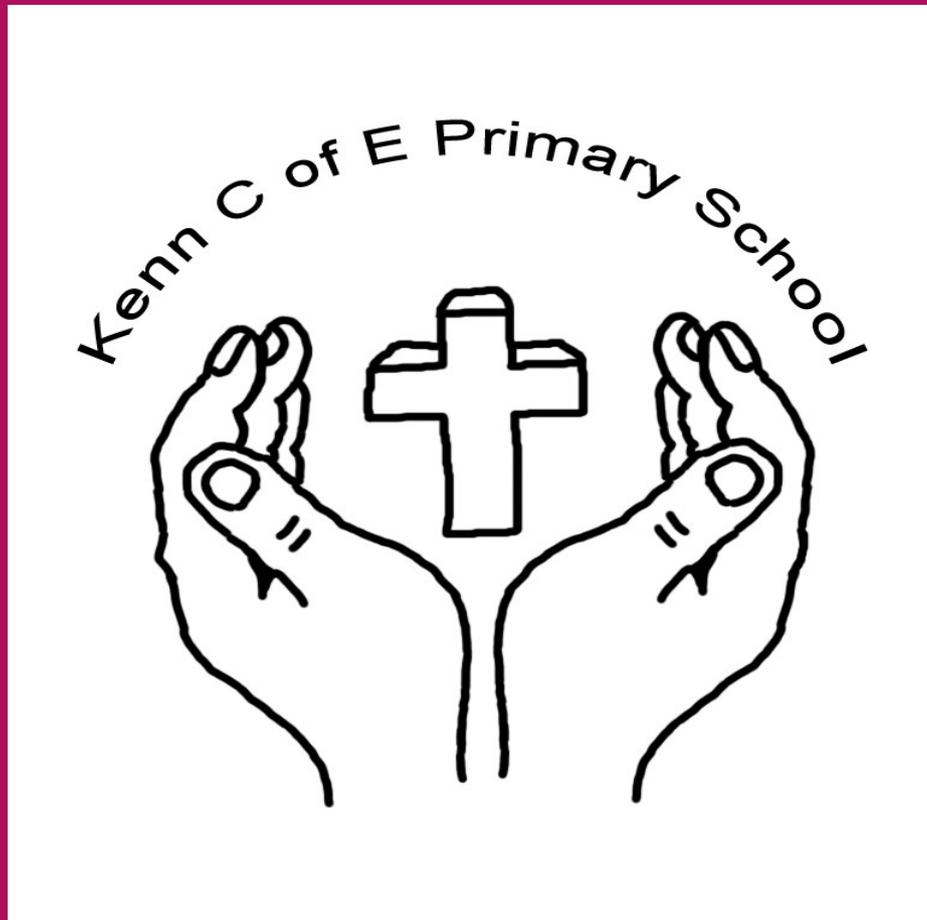


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# Newsletter

Friday 23rd July 2021

## Last Day of Term!

The Summer Holidays have arrived! Wow, how proud of the children we are this year; the effort they've put in, the resilience they've shown and the fun they've brought back to school! The children are exhausted, they've worked so hard this term, many accelerating their progress and narrowing gaps which may have opened through a disruptive year of schooling. As we move into the Summer Holidays, many of us will take the opportunity to reflect on the year which has passed. While we have many plans for the children's return and the Autumn term, it only seems fair that this newsletter is—in large—handed over to the children and their reflections of the year.

Before we get to those, as a staff body, we want to send our best wishes to our wonderful year 6 cohort! Please remember to let us know how you get on year 6! You're all going to be excellent!

We would also like to thank and say goodbye to Mrs Tetlow, who is moving back across the Federation to Kenton to share her experience and expertise across the Early Years sector. We would like to say goodbye and thank you to Mr Kay who follows Mrs Tetlow across to Kenton. We will also see less of Mrs Lunn as she takes up a new post at Kenton. However, she will be in school working with children across all classes to support their learning, and we're sure we will see her running a Dance Club or two at Kenn! Best of luck Mrs Lunn.

We are looking forward to welcoming the expertise of a number of teachers', all who have different backgrounds and will be an asset to us. Welcome Miss Burrows, Mrs Crouch, Mr Baxter, Mr Ball, Mrs Crossley May and Mrs Slater. They've all had Zooms with their new parents and we're sure you will get to know them all better through the Autumn Term.

Finally, we want to finish by saying a huge thank you to you all. The support of our parents is invaluable and with such a tough year that has passed, we've felt supported throughout. We cannot wait to see the children when they return in September, have an amazing Summer Holidays, rest up and relax.

# Children's return to school on Wednesday 8th September 2021

Please see below, a reminder of the regulations that will be in place when the children return to us following the Summer Holidays.

We respectfully ask that:

- \* You continue to wear a face covering when collecting, dropping off or accessing school site
- \* You continue to adhere to drop off and collection times (these will not be changed)
- \* You continue to respect our school bubble system as this will remain in place
- \* You continue to keep us up-to-date with any symptoms, need for isolation or positive testing
- \* You continue to social distance on at the school gate and on school site

As a school, we will continue to operate our bubble system, ensure the staff body wear masks when in communal areas of the school, wear masks at the gate, inform you of any positive tests that affect your child and welcome the children in and out at the staggered times.

To add additional continuity (for example these systems and routines are the normal for our youngest pupils—they've not experienced anything else) **we will continue to operate these systems for the first two weeks back in September.**

## Class 1—What we're proud of...

"I loved the Teddy bears picnic" Jack

"I loved the Teddy bears picnic" Lulu

"I loved sports day, the running races" Ellie

"I loved activities, playing on the cars" Tommy

"I loved the teddy bear's picnic!" Dante

"I loved the writing corner" Layla

"I loved making stuff with Mrs Leeming, like painting!" Edward

"I loved when we did our sports day, like the egg and spoon race" Evelyn

"I enjoyed the super heroes; when I was pretending to be Spider-man" Matilda

"I loved playing in the writing corner and drawing." Eloise

"I liked playing in the superhero headquarters, being lava man!" Max

"I loved PE, like the obstacle course!" Rufus

"I loved sports day; the egg and spoon race." Bella

"I loved learning; you teaching us sounds!" Eddie

"I liked playing football" Rex



## Class 2—What has made you proud this year...

Anna, "I am proud of my phonics."

Lizzie - I am most proud of my English and my topic.

Bailey - I am proud of my maths and my writing

Henry C - I am proud of my writing.

Ralph - I am most proud of my writing.

Brooke - I am proud of my maths and English.

Erik - I am proud of my writing.

Elijah - I am proud of my art and maths.

James - I am proud of my joined writing and maths and gymnastics



Rory - I have enjoyed having Mrs Bestwick and Mrs Lunn as my teachers.

Azooz - I enjoyed Sport's day because I love running.

George - I am proud of me and everybody.

Oscar - I am proud of my English because I didn't think I could write stories more than a page long. I am also proud of my maths.

## Class 2—What has made you proud this year...

Frankie - I am proud of my hand-writing because in Year 1 it was bad but it is much better now. It has changed because I have been practising.

Noah - I have enjoyed learning maths and my times tables and maths tests!

Mason - I am proud of my Art, Gym, football, Maths and English.

Annie - I am proud of doing my times tables and maths and I have enjoyed playing with my friends.

Benjamin - I am proud of my colouring.

Flo - I am proud of writing a whole page and doing lots of writing.

Honey - I am proud of my maths and handwriting.



Rachel - I am proud of Art. I have got better and better at drawing and painting.

Tilly - I have enjoyed writing and working hard because it's fun.

Maddie - I have enjoyed doing Art and English because we write stories and draw dragons.

Henry A - I am proud of the fractions that I have learned and I am grateful for wonderful teachers and most challenging things. I have enjoyed Class 2 so much that I do not want to leave.

## Class 3—What's been the best parts of this year...

Edie: Making the tote bags with Mrs Coles and writing my version of Black Rock with Mr Kay. I enjoyed doing the camping with the class. I also enjoyed sports day, learning about famous artists and English.

Roxanne: Playing the boom whackers and camping with Mr Kay.

Louie: Camping with Mr Kay, Mrs Coles and Mrs Watson.

Freya: I liked camping and sports day. I enjoyed having Mr Kay as Mrs Coles as teachers. I enjoyed PE with Mr Tyrrell, and yellows won!

Isabella: Doing PE and having Mr Kay as a teacher and doing English and the Mayans. I also liked doing the pop art work about Roy Lichtenstein. I also liked doing dance club with Mrs Lunn after school.

Issy: My favourite thing was camping and making the tote bags. I really enjoyed playing with my friends, reading books and gymnastics and dance clubs.

Isla: Having Mr Kay as a teacher.

Talulah: Doing the camping and having Mr Kay as a teacher.

Fin: I liked doing PE and football. I also enjoyed beating Kenton at TTRS. I also liked the camping. I liked doing Mr T's after school clubs.



Rueben: I liked doing sports day and football. I also enjoyed winning. I liked doing the tote bags and camping.

Eva: I liked making pancakes when we were camping and I also liked making worry dolls. I enjoyed doing gymnastics club.

Filip: I enjoyed doing PE, maths, playing with my friends and sports day.

Harrison: I enjoyed learning maths with Mr Kay as a teacher.

Betty: I enjoyed going on a camping trip and doing art. I liked having Mrs Coles and Mr Kay as teachers and doing dance and gym clubs.

George: This year I enjoyed doing PE.

## Class 3—What's been the best parts of this year...

Demi: I enjoyed learning about sharks, famous artists and having Mr Kay as my teacher – and camping. I also liked doing the tote bags and reading. I also liked playing the boom whackers with Mrs Coles, going to forest school and gymnastics. I enjoyed doing maths with Mr Kay, English and art.

Brooke: I enjoyed playing the xylophones with Mrs Coles. I enjoyed PE with Mr Tyrrell.

Marley: I enjoyed spending time with my friends and the camping and making designs on tote bags. And I enjoyed playing boom whackers with Mrs Coles. I enjoyed playing crazy bats and break time and dance club with Mrs Lunn. I also enjoyed after school club with my friends. I enjoyed my maths, my science, my topic and art.

Saule: I enjoyed having free time and when we were doing PE I hit the ball straight at Mr Kay.

Jess: I liked having lunch and playing with my friends – and break and camping.

Evie K: I enjoyed camping, free time and tote bags.



Megan: I enjoyed playing with my friends and doing after school club.

Lily: I enjoyed camping and having fun with Mr Kay and Mrs Coles.

Leo: I liked camping.

Dru: I enjoyed the camping and reading. I also enjoyed playing with my friends and sports day.

## Class 4—What are your achievements this year...

"This year I have improved at Maths, especially fractions. I think we did a lot of fractions this year and I have improved. I think out of everything I have done much better in maths than I did last year. I have really enjoyed doing PE and all the things in PE; Cricket was the best and I loved doing all the Cricket matches." Lucy

"Sports Day—I'm proud that my team won! Literacy—I'm proud of my tsunami writing, it included adjectives, fronted adverbials, semi-colons and hyphenated words." Rosie.

I liked learning about how tsunamis work in literacy and making an informative poster because we were allowed to do research. Outside of school, I have gotten better at Cricket by practicing batting in the nets." Joel.

"I'm proud of reading, I moved up a lot!  
I'm proud of my progress in horse riding." Kloe

"I have got better at English because I did a good tsunami write. I've had so much fun at Cricket, the best bit was when Mr T jumped for it and got it!" Rory



"I'm proud of improving my handwriting and being able to climb the poles by doing the 'Ninja Skype' Jacob

"I'm proud of my tsunami newspaper article, the features it included were: colons, semi-colons, fronted adverbials and relative clauses. I also enjoyed Sports Day, especially how we won! I won all my events except from the three-legged race." Oakley

I am proud because at Grenville House I could jump off my paddleboard and I wouldn't fall off which is hard! I feel that I did really well in English because I did longer writes." Jack J.

"I'm proud of moving up book levels and abseiling!" Chloe

"I am proud of being able to do abseiling at Grenville and I am better at Cricket." Georgie

## Class 4—What are your achievements this year...

"I am proud of my maths in division, I think I have gotten better!" I am happy that I went down the cliff at abseiling. I have loved doing art in our portraits. In PE, its been really fun doing Cricket." Heidi

"I was proud of learning how to keep longer writes interesting and my catching in PE." Ethan.

I am proud of my fractions work this year as I didn't really understand fractions before. Outside of school I am very proud of my sports progress, especially football!" Grantas

"I am proud of when I did the leap of faith on high ropes at Grenville House. I'm also really proud of doing really well on my maths like fractions." Sam

"I've made some new friends and I've been much nicer to my friends. In maths, I'm much better at decimals that I was at the start." Frank

"I am proud this year in Maths because I didn't really understand fractions before and this year I started to understand them. I am also really proud of my progress in sports outside of school." Isaac



"I'm proud of my Literacy work based on Tsunamis because I did really well on my tsunami poster. I also enjoyed PE and the Cricket tournament." Nico

"I enjoyed playing Cricket with Mr T outside and I enjoyed Virgin Money and we could start our own business!" Jack L.

"I used to find Maths really hard and now I have improved. I didn't know division but now I do know it!" Ewan K

"I got better at maths by doing fractions. In lockdown I had walks in the village." Ewan B

"I am proud of the abseiling, climbing down the cliff. I am also proud of my tsunami art work." Mya

# Med Theatre Visit

Med Theatre, who are based on Dartmoor, visited KS2 on Monday and performed an exciting piece which told stories of women and their important roles in Devon through the Second World War. Both classes engaged in some learning activities prior to the performance and therefore had some knowledge. The children were completely engaged throughout, such was the quality of the performance. Not only was it wonderful to have such a quality performance, it was also just great to have a 'live' performance in school! All against the backdrop of the shaded willow.





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## PTA Update

Dear PTA,

We are writing to thank you for your efforts in selling our Virgin money products. We appreciate all your hard work put into advertising and making profit. We are very grateful for your support otherwise we may not have been able to enjoy our trip to The Orange Elephant. Since we were not able to sell because of Covid-19. We don't know what we would have done without you.

Many thanks from Class 4

### Virgin's Make Money Grow Scheme

Class 4 have been on an entrepreneurial journey! Tasked with 'making £5 grow', they worked in small groups to formulate a business plan, complete market research, create an advertising campaign and bringing their products to market and raise money for charity.

In order to help the children sell their products we held a stall outside school. The first day we were almost washed away but the Friday stall was a great success and we hope the children were pleased with their profits - they worked really hard and should be very proud. Thank you to the parents and carers who gave the children spending money and supported the scheme.



### End of Term Summary

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported the PTA over the last school year. Even with Covid restrictions in place you have all helped to raise a huge **£992** to help support the children with extra curriculum activities/supplies.

This year the PTA were asked by the school to purchase new musical equipment and there are now two brand new shiny glockenspiel sets in school for the children to enjoy.

We have also been able to provide each class with new skipping ropes, frisbees, bats and balls for them to enjoy at playtimes.

At Christmas we were asked to provide funds for the children to make tote bags and at Easter we were able to treat each child to an Easter Egg to say thank to them for taking each day in the stride after numerous lockdowns and home schooling episodes.

The PTA were also able to make their annual donation towards the year 6 leavers' hoodies and we wish them luck in their new schools.

We will be hosting one more final treat stall this Friday after school. We hope you all enjoy the summer holidays.

Once again thank you and enjoy the holiday break.

Alice, Abi & Ayesha

### Come Join Us!

If you are interested in joining the PTA (which currently consists of the three of us) please drop us a line. You can email [ayesha\\_lovell@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ayesha_lovell@yahoo.co.uk) or message us via Facebook.



### Being on time

We understand that mornings can be busy in house holds, however we need children to arrive to school on time. The **gate is open at 08:45** when children are encouraged to come in.

Just 10 minutes late a few times per week collates to a lot of lost learning time over an academic year.

### FRIST DAY

**BACK:**

**Wednesday**

**8th**

**September**

**2021**

### Water bottles

Please remember that children will still need a water bottle when the return in September. This can be kept in school over the week and taken home at the weekend to be washed. It is rinsed in school at the end of each day.

# Notices

## Would you like to support our children with their learning?

If you have any available time in the afternoon's, we're always looking for volunteers to come and work with our children. They'd love to have more adults to read to and they'd love to see even more friendly faces in school.

We can make sure we offer you some great resources and a supportive staff team to ensure the children get an amazing experience from your generosity.

If you are interested, either for the remainder of this year, or looking ahead to September, please contact Mrs

Watson on the email below, or phone the school office



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## Help us earn rewards for Kenn C of E!

WH Smith are supporting our School with their “Free Vouchers for School Scheme” and we need **your** help to make it a success!!

We have signed up to a new scheme to earn Free Vouchers for our School: WH Smith has agreed to donate 10% of the value on all our Parents/Guardians spend on Books and Stationery\* between 1<sup>st</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021 as WH Smith vouchers which will be used to purchase additional resources for the school library and reward and acknowledge Student achievement.

### How to support our School:

**Shopping in store:** Please print and take the below barcode in to a WH Smith High Street Store and ask the cashier to scan the barcode along with your items at the checkout or scan at the self-service tills

**Shopping online:** When completing your purchase simply enter the barcode number below into the “do you have a promo code” box

After 30<sup>th</sup> September we will receive 10% of the value of the spend on Books and Stationery earned by everyone that has participated, back in vouchers for the School

We appreciate your participation within this promotion and support for our School!





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IN THE WOODLAND GARDEN

**AUGUST 2021**

Arrive at 6.00pm with your imagination, picnic, rugs or chairs, prepared for the weather. Make your way to the woodland garden, a fifteen minute walk from the car park. Access available by vehicle upon request.

*Photo by Lise Leino*

# Dates for next year...

## AUTUMN TERM 2021

begins Wednesday 8th September 2021

Half-term Monday 25th - Friday 29th October 2021

Second half of term starts on Monday 1st November 2021

Autumn term ends on Friday 17th December 2021

## SPRING TERM 2022

begins Wednesday 5th January 2022

Half-term Monday 21st - Friday 25th February 2022

Second half of term starts on Monday 28th February 2022

Spring term ends on Friday 8th April 2022

## SUMMER TERM 2022

begins Monday 25th April 2022

Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May 2022

Half-term Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June 2022

Second half of term starts on Monday 6th June 2022

Trust non-pupil day Friday 8th July 2022

Summer term ends on Friday 22nd July 2022