

Weekly Newsletter

9th February 2024

Diary Dates & Events

Friday, 9th February

- Last day of Spring 1 Term.
School closes normal time.

Monday, 19th February

- First day back of Spring 2

Tuesday, 20th February

- No Italian Club

Wednesday, 21st February

- Parent Gym

Friday, 23rd February

- Parent/Carers Coffee Morning

Monday, 26th February

- Y3 @ Swimming

Dear Parent/Carers,

We have been really busy at Kensington with lots of exciting initiatives around Multilingualism, and would love to share the latest developments with you all.

We received the grant from People Powered Places for our Multilingual Cafe, thank you so much for voting and supporting us with this! The money will be going towards a new Multilingual library that will be for the community. The library will be placed in school, and we will also run sessions with local libraries in order to promote first languages. We will be running activities for children and we will also be inviting you to read/share stories in home languages, and more importantly to learn how to use home languages to support your child's learning. We will promote this through sessions for parents on promoting first languages, multilingual author visits, events and a Question and Answer session with professors from UCL on multilingualism. Once we have confirmed dates we will share these with you all.

Kensington is also applying to become a School of Sanctuary, one of the first schools applying in Newham. A School of Sanctuary is a place that fosters a culture of welcome and safety for people seeking sanctuary, including asylum seeking and refugee families. We are committed to ensuring we uphold the values of a School of Sanctuary and we believe that together we can lead the way in how we deliver this. As part of this we will be looking at the theme of 'Journeys' in the lead up to World Book day. Journey's are something all children take part in, and we feel we can use this theme to ensure children know what being a School of Sanctuary will mean for us. To find out more please go to <https://schools.cityofsanctuary.org/about>

Whole school attendance:

94%

I would like to thank you all for being so supportive and helping us achieve the best for our children. As part of an on-going dialogue I would like to invite you all to regular Parent Coffee mornings, every Friday, 9am to 10am. This will begin after half term, and I hope this will be a way we can share ideas regarding the above and also ensure that Kensington is a place we all love to be.

All the best from
Mrs Amin

Learners of the Week

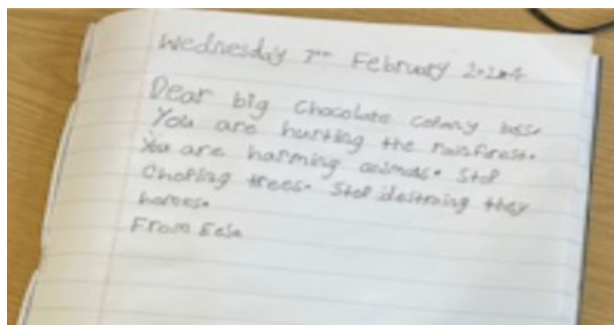
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All of YRF	All of Y2U	Rayan Y4M	Samed Y6S
Maghizan YRL	Zainab Y2K	Safwan Y4H	Abu Bakr Y6B
All of Y1C	Maria Y3E	All of Y5R	Nausheen Y6J
Vasser Y1R	Karmen Y3G	Shannu Y5P	
All of Y1I	Lara Y3S	All of Y5S	



Star Learners this Week are:

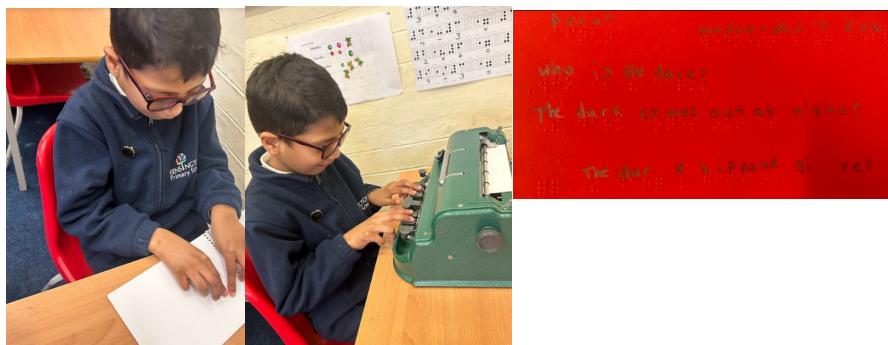
STAR LEARNER OF THE WEEK EYFS & Year 1

Star Learner of the Week for Y1I is Eesa! He uses his initiative to explore and investigate every aspect of his learning. He has worked incredibly hard to explore his understanding in deforestation and how it affects the animals. Eesa's vocabulary has come on leaps and bounds and he has demonstrated this in his persuasive writing. I am incredibly proud.



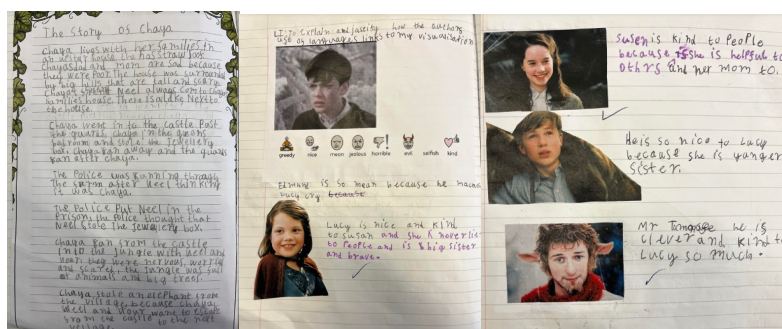
STAR LEARNER OF THE WEEK Year 2 - 3

Star Learner: Afnan is on an incredible journey to master Braille. Already a pro with all the letters, Afnan is now diving into learning how to read and type braille numbers with enthusiasm and plenty of questions. He practises this everyday and is always eager to learn more. Even when faced with challenges, Afnan's determination and curiosity drive him forward, proving to us all that with hard work anything is possible. Afnan's passion for learning makes him a true hero in our classroom!



STAR LEARNER OF THE WEEK Year 4 - 6

I have chosen Ayat as a star learner as she has progressed tremendously over the years. She is participating more in classroom discussions and producing good pieces of work. Recently we were analyzing characters and she was able to write some sentences explaining what she thought about the characters with reasons why.



Response to Curiosity Story Writing

Dear Parents,

We have had an amazing response to the Curiosity Story Writing. A lot of the stories were unique, engaging and well-written to say the least! Mr Levinson, Mr Leeks, Miss Lobo and I (Miss Jubin) have thoroughly enjoyed reading them and are still in the process of selecting winners. These will be announced the Week after half term. I hope you all have an amazing half term.

Kind Regards,

Miss Jubin

Nursery Places Available for September 2024:

Dear Parents/Carers,

There is still time until 19th February 2024 to apply for the Nursery place for your child at Kensington Primary School.

If your child was born between 1st September 2020 to 31st August 2021, please email the school at info@kensington.ttl.academy to request the application form.

We will also offer a limited number of 30 hour places for eligible families. These will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis. If you require and are eligible for a 30 hour place, you must provide your 30 hour code with your application form.

To find out more about the childcare options available to you please visit Newham's Family Information Service web-site: <https://families.newham.gov.uk/kb5/newham/directory/family.page?familycode=3>

Y3 Outdoor Learning:

This week, Kensington hosted 'Learn with your child,' inviting the year 2 and 3 parents to come in and learn alongside their child. The children wrote down the things they love about Science, telling their parents everything they have learned throughout the year. The children and parents then had the opportunity to conduct 5 different experiments: cars and friction, fireworks in a jar, making popcorn dance, baking soda and vinegar reaction and surface tension. The response from the children was overwhelming, they loved it. The response from the parents was even more enthusiastic: they loved being able to work alongside their child and enjoyed conducting the experiments even more than the children! At the end, many of the parents came up to me thanking me for making it so enjoyable and many now want to do the experiments at home!



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The collage consists of four photographs of children's projects. The top-left photo shows a hand-drawn map of Sri Lanka with text describing its location and climate. The top-right photo shows a child's drawing of a bird on a branch with text about its habitat. The bottom-left photo shows a child's drawing of a tree with text about its parts and uses. The bottom-right photo shows a child's drawing of a landscape with text about the environment.

B A R B A D O S



The island that my Mom's family came from is Barbados. It is 21 miles from north to south and 14 miles across at the widest point. It is a very lovely country. It is where Barbados is from and she was married there so small.

The national animal is a dolphin and pelican and the national dish is flying fish and cow-cow. It is in the Caribbean near North America. There are some famous people from Barbados.

- Rihanna - full name: *Rodney Chastan Rihanna Fenty*.
- Terry Gones - rapper.
- *Shabbari* Rocky - real name: *Robbin Wagner, rapper.*
- *Wiss-Wee* - real name: *Guinevere Fauter, rapper.*
- *Phyllis* Rumbakidze - musician.
- *Damon Davis* - co-founder of *Boe's & Felicia Records*; *Stoney Davis*.

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Half-Term Activities:

Manor Park Library : Half-Term Activities: From 12th – 18th February

Date	11am -12pm	2:00 -3:30pm
Monday 12/02/2023	Join the family Lego club to make creative designs.	Mosaic Family Fun Craft to create beautiful abstract collages from coloured tissue papers and magazines.
Tuesday 13/02/2023	Join Board Games Club with your family and friends.	Love to Listen – Come and listen to a story about LOVE and decorate a cup cake for your loved ones!
Wednesday 14/02/2023	Love to Listen – Come and listen to a story about LOVE!	Valentine's Day Craft Club – Make a creative gift for someone special!
Thursday 15/02/2023	Half Term Reading Club – Fun time with puzzles and crosswords	Come along and let your kids and enjoy hassle-free gooey, gloopy, glorious slime making fun session.
Friday 16/02/2023	Half Term Story Time – Come and enjoy listening to your favourite stories	Happiness is Hand-Made and let your Imagination lead to make your own gifts!
Saturday 17/02/2023	Join the coding club and learn to programme and play games	Join our Saturday Craft Club to get Creative!
Sunday 18/02/2023		Come and play your favourite Board Games From 1-3pm

Monday 12th - Saturday 17th Feb: Family Movie Time: 5pm -7pm

Please bring library card to borrow six books (minimum) to enter the special prize draw to win a mystery prize

For further queries Please contact Manor Park Library
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CN-.ManorParkLibraryMailbox@newham.gov.uk

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