This week @ Kensington

As I said last week, I cannot believe how quickly this half-term has gone! It has been an incredible 7 weeks and it was so wonderful to end it with Parents’ Evening. As always, it was inspiring to see your support for your children and the positive, vibrant atmosphere in the school. Thank you all for your feedback. We are working our way through this and will share the headlines with you after half-term.

Reflecting on this half-term, we have been so pleased with the way Curriculum K has already impacted on your children. We have spent a long time planning this and to see it in action has been fantastic. Children are already noticeably healthier, more focused, and more energised. They know more about the importance of a healthy diet and of taking care of themselves. And the changes to the maths curriculum are starting to ensure they have fully grasped the key concepts they will need to be successful as they progress. All of this in half a term! I would like to thank you all for your support and feedback about the changes. There is more to do but we know we are changing the children’s lives for the better and preparing them for their futures. From the smiles on their faces – and yours – I think we can also be confident we are increasingly realising our vision of a place everyone loves to be.

We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 28th October.

Mr Ben Levinson
Head Teacher
Learn With Your Child - Physical Heath

On Tuesday 15th October we held our first Physical Health parent workshop. More than 50 parents participated. During the workshop, parents were informed about the importance of a healthy lifestyle in general with physical health as the main focus. We shared a wide range of physical health activities that can be done outside of school. All parents were engaged and really enjoyed the session. Here are some of their thoughts.

“Good experience, I learned valuable information on effects on physical exercise and emotional health”

“I agree that physical health is a good for children so a very good idea!”

“Thank you for creating awareness about physical health. All the exercises are really useful for the children. Today’s workshop will benefit the children.”

Many thanks
Mrs Sandra Isaac
Physical Health Lead

Workout Wednesdays

Every Wednesday at 8.40am on the main playground
Join us to get fit and have fun with your child every Wednesday morning in our weekly 10 minute

Parent Performances

In line with our changes to the curriculum, we are also changing how your children share their amazing work with you. I know many of you have already enjoyed our first, ‘Learn with your child’ session. In addition, following on from your feedback, we are also changing the performances our children put on for you. Rather than basing these on religious festivals, children will be celebrating their fantastic work in class through some special events and performances. Dates of these are below. We do hope you will be able to join us for your child’s performance. Finally, can I reassure you that children will still be learning all about different religions, faiths and cultures through the curriculum we deliver across the year.

Y2: 5th December 2019
Y5: 17th December 2019
Y3: 5th February 2020
Y1: 26th March 2020
EYFS: 7th May 2020
Y4: 19th May 2020
Y6: 24th June 2020

Uniform Sale:

Please pay for trips and purchase uniform online as the office are trying to go cashless. Once you have made the payment the uniform can be collected from the office up until 3.30. (If you prefer to avoid the crowds we suggest you visit us after 9.30am and before 3pm)
Ciriculum K

How is our Health Curriculum improving your child’s learning?
As we finish our sixth week of the academic year, we are delighted to see our new Health Curriculum is beginning to have impact upon your children’s learning. This includes:
Now your children are moving more throughout the school day they are more focused and engaged during more of their learning and our teachers have reported that they are able to concentrate for longer periods.
Your children have an increased knowledge about health and understand more about how and what their body requires to survive. They are beginning to make healthier choices as a result.
Regular Active Maths sessions are engaging and enthusing your children in their maths learning, whilst giving them the opportunity to move more and further improve their health.
Your children are getting fitter and are able to engage in sustained/intense activity for longer periods.

How can you help?
As the weather gets cooler and wetter, we will continue to deliver our health lessons. It is important that you continue to send your child to school wearing their correct PE kits with appropriate footwear, a water bottle and a waterproof/ windproof jacket.

Diwali

We would like to wish you all happy Diwali.

As you know, the school will remain open on this day, however, if you would like to request a leave of absence for your child for religious observance on the day of Diwali, please fill in the special leave form that can be collected from the office requesting the leave of absence which will be authorised. Please note we will only authorise one day of leave for this.

Open Day
For children starting Reception or Nursery
September 2020

Thursday, 14th November 2019
9am — 6pm

If you would like to see some classroom activities please come between 9.30am-2.30pm

Come and see your local school!
Meet the staff and let them show you the fun and excitement of learning at Kensington.

Please call the school office on 0208 470 2339 to book an appointment.

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Inspiring children for exciting futures
Nursery & Reception
This week parents were invited to Learn and Explore in EYFS. We had a great turn out and parents were able to get a snapshot of how their children are learning. Parents joined in with activities and explored the provision at Kensington.

Hina Hussain

Year 3
This week Year 3 were learning all about scales! They then applied their learning to use scales to bake delicious oatmeal cookies!

Hi,

We’ve finally got the bake off published in the Newham Mag. Better late than never :)

With our new curriculum, which focuses on Food Technology through Science, I think this is a great way to encourage and motivate children and parents at home. Maybe this year we might even get healthy treats after all the amazing teaching that is happening!

I just want to say thank you to everyone who helped especially the judges as eating all the delicious treats wasn’t easy!!

Bring on the next BAKE OFF! Applications are open for the judging panel ;)

Have a lovely, restful half term.

Parent’s Evening
Thank you all for joining us this week at Parents Evening. It was wonderful to see so many of you in the school. We heard from lots of you about how happy you were with your child’s progress and the feedback from their teacher. If you didn’t manage to meet your child’s teacher this week, please do speak to them to arrange an appointment as it is crucial you have a chance to find out how your child is doing.
Studybugs — Report Absence Securely and Help Improve Children’s Health

We’re pleased to announce that Kensington Primary is introducing a new, more efficient and secure system for reporting your child’s absence due to illness, called Studybugs. If you haven’t already, please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child’s ill and unable to attend school. Get the app or register now (https://studybugs.com/about/parents).

Kensington Primary School’s Top 3 reasons to use Studybugs:

1. It’s integrated with our systems so we know right away if your child is unaccounted for.
2. It’s quick and easy to register and use and automatically reminds you to keep us posted.
3. You’ll be helping the NHS and other public health organisations improve children’s health. (https://studybugs.com/about/schools)

For more information and with support with downloading the app please speak to the office staff.

Follow us on Twitter and Facebook

We are now sharing good news stories from all the schools in the Trust on a central Facebook TTLT page and the @LearnTapscott Twitter feed continues to showcase some of the lovely events, activities and achievements from across the Trust. It would be great to build up a greater following on these platforms. The Facebook Page is The Tapscott Learning Trust. The Twitter feed directed at parents is @LearnTapscott.

If you don’t already follow and use either of these then please do.

6 O’ Clock Club
@ Kensington Primary School

Only £15

Good News for all parents

- We started our 6 O’clock club to provide a safe and educational service from 3.15pm to 6.00pm every day.
- To encourage out-of-school activities that complement the service already provided by Kensington Primary School.
- Sport, art, board games and free play, Homework time is also provided.
- We offer literacy and numeracy activities that support and consolidate your child’s learning from their year group.
- Snacks and drinks will be provided at no extra cost.
- All the staff are from Kensington Primary school and are skilled and enthusiastic.

Interested?
Want to SIGN UP?

Contact the OFFICE for more information and to collect a contract

Places are limited

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