This week @ Kensington

This week at Kensington the school has smelt delicious all week as the children have been busy baking for Children in Need. Thank you all for your support with this. We will let you know the grand total once we’ve added up all the bake sales, merchandise, and donations from today’s dress-up.

We were thrilled about the launch of the Tate’s Steve McQueen exhibition. Our Y4 children were all photographed last year and their pictures now form part of this significant work. Do take the time to find them if you get a chance to visit the Tate.

We’ve got lots to look forward to with the Y6 visit to Fairplay House; Y2 and Y5 parent performances, and our Winter Fair (more to follow on this next week.) The children will also be making Christmas decorations so we can decorate the school ready for our a Christmas lunch and the visit of Father Christmas!

A reminder that we are closed on Thursday 12th December as we are a polling station. The last day of term is Friday 20th December when we close at 1pm as usual.

Mr Ben Levinson
Head Teacher
**Steve McQueen Year 3 Tate Britain Art Project**

You may well have seen the project this week across the news and in print. Our Year 3 children (current Year 4) took part in Steve McQueen portraits project last year.

This project brings together images of two-thirds of the city’s entire population of seven-to-eight-year olds in a large-scale installation lining the walls of Tate Britain’s Duveen Galleries Millbank, London SW1P 4RG and free for all to visit from 12 November 2019 – 3 May 2020, open daily 10.00 – 18.00.

This will indeed be a wonderful opportunity for you and your child to visit the exhibition and to have a look at this inspiring piece of art work (our school's photograph can be found in Section 11).

Also, Artangel presents Steve McQueen's Year 3 on over 600 billboards across all 33 of London's boroughs. These billboards can be seen from 8–18 November. Those at railway stations and on the side of the road are being put up between 4 and 8 November and will be taken down between 18 and 22 November. A map of Year 3 billboard sites can be found at [www.artangel.org.uk/year-3](http://www.artangel.org.uk/year-3).

**ESOL**

ESOL classes for Parents started from 6th November 2019

If you are interested you can join too

ESOL: every Wednesday 9:00am to 10:00am

Beginner Entry Level 1

It's a good way of learning.

For more details contact OFFICE

**Sing4Peace**

Last summer, we applied for a grant which would combine leadership and song writing skills. We were successful! Sing4Peace then provided School Council and choir with a unique opportunity to create a song for International Peace Day (21st September). The workshop was run by local artists and the result was a gorgeous song about what makes the children truly feel at peace. In addition, they created a Peace Tree which will be hung by the stage outside when it comes back from being displayed. We would like to thank Miss Elliott, Shaka Daanwi and Sing4Peace for all their hard work on this project.

**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)

**6 O’Clock Club @ Kensington Primary School**

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

For more information please contact the 6 O’clock Club. Places are subject to availability. For a booking form, please contact the School Office.
Meat Free Mondays

Meat Free Monday is all about reducing the amount of meat we consume because of its health and environmental benefits. Meat Free Mondays is about coming together as a school community to help the planet and promote healthy food. Kensington Primary School will be promoting this initiative and we will be going meat free every Monday from 11 November 2019.

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<td>Butternut Squash &amp; Spinach Tart with Roast Potatoes</td>
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This reason for this being:
- Children getting more nutrients, minerals and fibre in their diet.
- It helps to prevent certain diseases in the long term.
### 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 workout sessions.**

### 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

### Boosting Your Child's Self-Esteem

Praising accomplishments, however small, will make your child feel proud and motivate them to do more. By contrast, finding fault will make kids feel worthless and can lower their self-esteem.

Choose your words carefully and be compassionate. Let your kids know how proud you are of them completing their homework, helping their little sister or tidying their room. Watch your child shine!
Learn with your Child – Health Science

This week over 50 parents/carers attend our Health Science workshop to learn all about digestion. Our children and their grownups made a model of the digestive system to help them learn about what happens to the food we eat. The workshop – led by Mr Poulton – was a great success and both the children and their parents/carers had great fun.

“A fantastic practical session. The children were very engaged and we all had fun.”

“ It was an interesting session, which made us curious about how we can learn interesting things about our bodies whilst playing.”

Join us for our next Learn with your Child session about healthy eating on Friday 6th December.

Climate Now

Air Quality is a Public Health emergency, and Newham Council is committed through the ‘Climate Now’ program to supporting cleaner streets, more active lives and a greener environment.

This fits perfectly with our drive to improve the health and wellbeing of our children, ourselves, and our wider community.

Therefore, we have partnered with Newham Council Air Quality Champions (volunteers), along with Council Officers and Councillors, to hold an anti-idling event at Kensington Primary School. We are the first school to be undertaking this new initiative and we hope it will encourage parents to reduce car use, turn off engines, and improve the air quality around the school.

We will be engaging with residents at the school gates on the morning school run about simple ways that we can act locally to improve air quality. The aim is not to tell anyone off - but to effect behavior change by making people more aware.

There will be a briefing at 7.45am on Tuesday 10th December in the Staff Room. Then we will be outside school during the morning drop-off. It would be great if you could come and join the volunteers and help promote this to parents. If you would like to get involved, please email Habs at Newham Health Champions Newham.HealthChampions@activenewham.org.uk.

Children in Need fundraising - BIG MOVE & Year 4 & 5 snack sale

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.