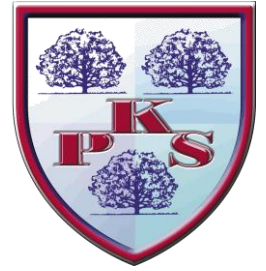


# Kennington Primary School Newsletter

Date: 24th September 2021



## The Great Kennington Bake-Off!

What a fantastic effort you all made today for our Bake-Off. There were some wonderful looking cakes of all shapes and sizes and they all looked delicious too. Congratulations to our winners Coral and Leo Senathirajah, Naad-E-Ali Kazmi and Hayaan Iftikha. We managed to raise lots for MacMillan so thank you to everyone who contributed. It was a bit of a free for all at the sale but it was all good fun and great to see everyone together again!! All the cakes can be seen on our website.



# Key Stage Leaders

We have recently appointed two Key Stage leads. Mr Sudell will be Key Stage 1 lead and Mrs Riley will be Key Stage 2 lead. They will be ensuring the smooth running of those departments and will be on hand to help resolve any issues that can't be resolved by your child's class teacher.



# PTA

The PTA held their first meeting of the new academic year via Zoom and it was good to see some new recruits. The first three events on the calendar will be

Halloween Disco Wednesday - 20th October 5:30pm

Santa Dash - 8<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Food Market – 10<sup>th</sup> December.

The Santa Dash is a sponsored event for all the family to dress up as a Santa and walk, run, skip etc 2km (just over a mile).

For the Food Market, we are asking you, our parents, to cook some of your favourite dishes so people can buy them as takeaways for a Friday night.

Please note, the Halloween Disco may be cancelled if Covid-19 guidelines change.



# Kennington Book Machine

We have had our first token winner for the book machine. Well done to Abdullah Gani who has smashed the target of 50 points in Accelerated Reader.



# Food Supplies



You may have read on Lancs Live the article about food supply shortages in local schools (and the comments underneath on Facebook!). Please bear with us with this issue as it is completely out of my control. I can assure you that our kitchen team are working hard to put together a menu of both hot and cold choices for next week. However, after that, they are uncertain as to what they will be receiving from the contractors who deliver our food. They will endeavour to make what they can for the children's lunches. As soon as we have more information, we will let you know.

# Worry Boxes



Although we would like to think our children are happy 100% of the time it's not always the case and sometimes they might be carrying worries around with them. So that they have a system of telling someone about their worries, we have installed Worry Boxes in all the classes. Children can write down their worries, put it in the box and an adult will check the boxes every day. Children with worries will be supported and helped to overcome the things that are worrying them.



# Packed Lunches



We are classed as a 'Healthy School' due to the work we have done around eating healthily over recent years. One of the things that makes us a healthy school is the fact that we do not allow sugary food in children's packed lunches. Again we have noticed that there are still a number of children who have a large amount of sweets and confectionary in their lunches. Please do not send your child to school with sweets, sugary drinks or bars of chocolate. Please use a healthy alternative. We will continue to monitor this and may need to contact individual parents who continue to provide sweets.

# Admissions to School

The closing date for admissions to primary school is

**15 January 2022**

The closing date for admissions to high school is

**31 October 2021**

All applications must be done online at

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>

**You must still apply for a place at primary school even if you have a sibling who already attends!**

## Parental Consent

We need you to agree or disagree to a large number of things that we do in school. The consents tick list can be found online on our Parent Portal. To sign into this go to <https://kennington.uk.arbor.sc/> If you have never signed in click 'First Time Logging in?' and follow the instructions for setting up a user name and password and linking to your child or children. Click the green Student Profile button on the left hand side. You will see all the consents in brown that need addressing. Click each one and either consent or decline.

## Earrings

Thank you to all the parents who have purchased the small retainers as a substitute for earrings. Please make sure that they are removed once the piercings are no longer in danger of closing up.

# Clubs



It's great to see clubs back up and running and children going off to sporting events again. Permission slips for clubs will be sent out via Parent Apps but will not be available after the return date has passed so get them back in quick when your child wants to join a particular club.

# COVID-19

We have had a couple of cases amongst the staff this week but nothing as of yet with any of the children. If your child has symptoms, please don't send them to school. Get a PCR test and keep them off school. If the test is negative and they are well enough, send them back in. If not, keep them off. If both parents have Covid you should still try and get your child to school if they are negative and symptom free. If you have tried everything to get them to school but in the end it proves impossible, they should stay off and access online learning.

# Head Teacher Awards

Oak: Still settling in!

Cherry: Iriz Z

Willow: Muhammed C

Beech: Denham A

Y3: Shay Mc

Y4: Bethany T

Y5: Muhammad A

Y6: Tyler B

# Sports Desk

We had two teams in competition this week. On Wednesday we had a team take part in the Inclusion Mini Skills tournament. Well done to Alice, Muhammad, Umme'haani, Aamina C, Zara and Maham.



The hockey team also played their first matches in the league. They lost two and drew one. Well done to Luke B, Amaan, A, Tyler B, Jasmin S, Ayman M, Khadijah H and Sana P.