

Magical Moments

Sports Day

Thankfully the weather held off for Sports Day and what a success it was!

All the children participated brilliantly in a range of sporting events in the morning followed by races in the afternoon.

Congratulations to our champions, Horse Chestnut and to Ellouise and Finley C for winning sportswoman/ sportsman of the year.



Children's University

Last week, 26 of our children from Year 4 and 5 attended Samuel Ward for their graduation ceremony. They have worked incredibly hard outside of school to collect points and hours towards Children's University badges. We were delighted that so many graduated wearing robes and hats. What an amazing experience for them all!



Divergent Drama

We welcomed into school Divergent Drama to work with Year 3, 4 and 5 this term. Our children embraced this opportunity to work with a professional theatre company and enjoyed performing to families at the end of their workshop. It was a pleasure to have positive feedback about their confidence when performing.



As the term comes to an end, I would like to share with you a very short newsletter and to thank you all for your continued support over this academic year.

Today we say goodbye to our Year 6 class who will be moving onto secondary school. We wish them all the best for their next phase of education, and we know they are going to be great. Our transition sessions have been going well for our new Reception children and we are looking forward to having them as part of our Kedington family.

Have a lovely summer break and we look forward to seeing you again on **Wednesday 4th September 2024.**



Role Models

Today we celebrated another 7 children achieve Role Model status for demonstrating our Kedington Manners and Conduct. We now have a total of 37 children with this status across the school and they wear their badges with pride.

Child of the Year

Our prestigious Child of the Year Awards were awarded in assembly this morning. Teachers thought carefully about who to select and have chosen children based on their improved progress and demonstration of values.

Congratulations to the following children:

Year R - Ronnie

Year 1 - Maebh

Year 2 - Mabel

Year 3 - Florence B

Year 4 - Sonny F

Year 5 - Elizabeth

Year 6 - Piper

Staffing

Sadly, we say goodbye to Mrs Hale, Miss Thomson and Miss Carter this term. Miss Carter will be going on maternity leave and will not be with us in the office in the autumn term. Mrs Kroukamp will be covering the hours in the office alongside Mrs Duers and Mrs Foyster. We wish Miss Carter all the best with her family and look forward to sharing some exciting news in September.

Mrs Rintoul (Head of Kitchen) is leaving her post with Caterlink and we welcome Mrs Keren Cope who will be taking over in September.

IQM

On 1st July 2024, we had a visit from Inclusion Quality Mark (IQM) to assess our progress towards targets and how we have maintained Centre of Excellence at Kedington. We were pleased with the report outcomes and below is a summary we wish to share with you:



Kedington Primary Academy is an example of a school committed to meeting the needs of its children and is outstanding in its commitment to and implementation of inclusive practice. The Executive Headteacher, Headteacher and IQM Lead have a clear commitment to inclusion and support staff well. Adults within the school subscribe to the enthusiasm for the inclusion agenda and staff are kept well informed about the IQM process. There is a good understanding of the targets set for the coming year and how they will impact the inclusive values in the school.

If you would like to read the full report, this can be found on our website.



The Kedington Way
Manners & Conduct

At Kedington Primary Academy, we expect children to:

1. Say "hello" or "good morning/good afternoon" if someone greets us.
2. Say "good morning" to the adult when we come through the gate in the morning and "goodbye" when we leave.
3. Acknowledge any adult when walking around the school.
4. Stand aside if an adult is coming through a door.
5. Check when we open a door if someone else is coming through and hold it open for them.
6. Say "please" and "thank you" when requesting/receiving something.
7. Always knock on a door before entering, even if it is open.
8. Say "sorry" if we bump into someone, even if it is by accident.
9. Cover our mouths if we cough or sneeze and use a tissue if we need one.
10. Follow instructions without grumbling if an adult tells us to do something.
11. Ask people if they need help if they look like they are struggling.
12. Eat with a knife and fork, cutting up food.
13. Tidy things away if we have got them out.
14. Walk sensibly and quietly through the building.
15. Keep our school site litter free, picking litter up even if we didn't drop it.



Ofsted Inspection

Last week, we had a visit from Ofsted. We are hoping to share the findings of the report with you once the final report is published. We are hoping this will be towards the end of September if not before.

Attendance

You may be aware that there is new attendance guidance for schools which becomes statutory on 19th August 2024. We value excellent attendance and are keen to work in partnership with you next year. We want to make sure pupils at Kedington make an excellent start to the new year and attend every day.

There are changes to fixed penalty notices, attendance contracts and register coding.

At the start of next year, we will share with you our Trust attendance policy, along with a helpful 2-page guide for Kedington School. In the meantime, here is a link to the DFE's guide for parents.

<https://assets.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/wpuploads/2024/07/aaa-guide-for-parents-on-school-attendance-19th-Aug-version.pdf>

<u>2024-25 Term Dates</u>			
	Begins	Ends	Draft PD days
Autumn	Monday 2nd Sept 24	Friday 20th Dec 24	Monday 2nd Sept 24 Tuesday 3rd Sept 24
Half Term*	28th Oct 24	8th Nov 24	
Spring	Monday 6th Jan 25	Friday 4th April 25	
Half Term	17th February 25	21st February 25	
Summer	Tuesday 22nd April 25	Tuesday 22nd July 25	Friday 27th June Monday 21st July 25 Tuesday 22nd July 25
Half Term	26th May 25	30th May 25	
<u>2025-26 Term Dates</u>			
	Begins	Ends	Draft PD days
Autumn	Monday 1st September 25	Friday 19th Dec 25	Monday 1st Sept 25 Tuesday 2nd Sept 25
Half Term*	27th Oct 25	7th Nov 25	
Spring	Monday 5th Jan 26	Friday 27th March 26	
Half Term	16th February 26	20th February 26	
Summer	Monday 13th April 26	Monday 20th July 26	Friday 22nd May 26 Friday 26th June 26 Monday 20th July 26
Half Term	25th May 26	29th May 26	