



Kingsgate Primary School Newsletter

Friday 25 September 2020

Dear parents and carers

A warm welcome to all our new Nursery and Reception families. Children in Nursery and Reception class are settling in to Kingsgate well; learning with their teachers and making new friends.

Best wishes , Liz Hayward



Nasal flu vaccination

If you would like your child to have the nasal flu vaccination in school (Reception, Y1, Y2 on 16th October and Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 on 19th October), please return the permission form by Monday 12th October.

Face coverings in school

The government has said that it is not necessary for staff or children to wear face coverings in school. However, in view of the rising rates of infection, we have decided to leave it up to parents and carers to decide if they wish their child to wear a face covering in school or not.

Face coverings outside the school gate

You will have noticed that some parents are wearing face coverings when dropping off and picking up their children. When parents wear face coverings, it helps other parents to feel comfortable about those times of the day when there are lots of people around and social distancing of 1 metre+ is not always possible. It may well be a good idea when you are dropping off and collecting your children to wear a face covering.



Do you have any questions about school life?

We are of course, really happy to answer any questions about school, no matter how small :)

Do phone the school office to ask questions or ask to arrange an appointment to speak the class teacher. If you are worried about something, call us straight away. Don't let a little worry turn in to a big one. We also like to hear your good news.

Dates for your diary

Monday 26th October—Friday 30th October

School closed for half term break

Friday 18th December

Last day of term

Monday 4th January

First day of spring term

School photographs

Luckily, we are still able to have individual photographs taken this term by the professional school photographer. We will not have sibling photographs on this occasion to reduce the number of interactions between children in different classes while waiting. Being across two sites also makes it very difficult to gather siblings together. Class photos will be taken in summer term.

The photographer will be in on 18 November.

Parent teacher meetings (by phone)

23rd October (INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED)

Please sign up. We want all our parents to attend!

We will send a link to your phone so that you can sign up online.



What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus

If your child is displaying symptoms of coronavirus at home or is sent home by the school with coronavirus symptoms, you must arrange a test for them immediately and inform the school of the result.

Children displaying symptoms will not be able to return to school without being tested.

- 1) To arrange a test you should visit nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test
- 2) **DO NOT WAIT!** Your child should be tested on the same day they are showing symptoms, or the next day at the latest.
- 3) Please let the office know immediately when you receive the result of your child's coronavirus test by calling the school office on **0207 624 5379**
- 4) If your child tests positive for coronavirus, you will receive a text, email or phone call from NHS that explains what your result is and what you need to do next.
- 5) If your child tests negative for coronavirus, your child can return to school.

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)



new and continuous cough

or



high temperature

or



loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Ordering online

A big thank you to all the parents and carers who are using our new online system of paying for uniform and school dinners. The system is working really well. It is saving the office staff so much time during the school day. We hope that you find it convenient too.

Parent teacher meetings

Please sign up for parent teacher meetings on 23rd October. We have sent the link to your phone.

Reception parents

If your child has learnt to do something new at home, we'd love to hear about it. Please email us and send us pictures to the class emails below:
Receptionapple@kingsgate-pri.camden.sch.uk
Receptionelm@kingsgate-pri.camden.sch.uk
Receptionhawthorn@kingsgate-pri.camden.sch.uk

We will include these achievements in your child's learning journey.

