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Kentish Town CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Relaxing of Restrictions

As you will be aware, the Coronavirus restrictions remain in place until at least 19th July. Sadly, this means that a Summer Fair "in person" will not be possible. I have suggested to The Friends of Kentish Town CE that we plan for a fair in September, when the weather will still be warm and hopefully the final restrictions will have been lifted. Positive cases in Camden are rising and you can really help us by regularly testing using a LFD testing kit. My staff do this twice a week and this means that positive cases are picked up and kept out of school. Please also book your vaccination if you are eligible and have not yet done so. Please email Pam if you would like LFD test kits. We just need your name—no other details: admin@kentishtown.camden.sch.uk.

Foxlease Trip

On Monday 14th June, Beech Class and their adults departed for Foxlease in Hampshire. They are having a wonderful week in great weather. We are so pleased that we have been able to offer this trip when children have missed out on so many experiences. Here are a few pictures of Beech Class enjoying themselves in the sunshine.





Sports Day

On Monday 21st June, Cedar, Sycamore, Chestnut and Beech classes will be taking part in Sports Day at the running Track at Parliament Hill. Parents and carers can join us at the heath but <u>you are not allowed inside the running track</u>. Please maintain social distancing outside the track, you can watch from the outside of the perimeter fence behind the running track if you wish. Your child/ren will need:

- Suitable trainers and PE kit for running and jumping
- A sun hat, water and sunscreen
- A packed lunch—they will need to carry this

The activities will begin at approximately 9.45am and the children will have a packed lunch inside the running track after their races. We will then return to school for the remainder of the day. Pick up will be at the normal times from school.

Acorns, Oak, Ash and Willow

We will be able to run an infant sports day in school when Chloe has returned from Foxlease. Sadly, the current restrictions mean that we cannot have parents and carers in school for this. However, we will take lots of pictures for our school website and you will be able to see these.

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Best wishes,

James Humphries - Headteacher



The new owners of the Mansfield Bowls Club (Croftdown Road, NW5), Harrison Varma, are seeking to ignore the 2017 planning permission and are proposing to build on land designated as local green space (Camden policy IDS \$12). This would end 102 years of club tennis on the site.

Harrison Varma are consulting with local residents about their redevelopment plans. We were shocked to see extremely limited provision for tennis, with only one court and no clubhouse.

There is a great unfulfilled demand for tennis. The Parliament Hill courts are generally fully booked and other NW tennis clubs are out of reach both in distance and price to many residents. Nationally there has been a 372% increase in tennis participation between May 2019-July 2020 (LTA survey) and before Harrison Varma made the existing courts unavailable, they were highly utilised by all ages. Kenlyn Tennis Club will continue to provide a community-based, grassroots club accessible to all.

Meaningful tennis provision would be at least three all-weather clay courts and a new clubhouse in the redevelopment, <u>as required by the previous planning permission granted by Camden.</u> This would benefit local Schools and Highgate New Town Community Centre who could use the courts.

Can you help to save Local Tennis?



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sign Petition at https://www.change.org/savelocaltennis

Join as a £10 Supporter - www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/KenlynLTC

Email local councillor anna.wright@camden.gov.uk sian.berry@camden.gov.uk