



# Kentish Town CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I was away from school last week for three days while reviewing a school in Southsea as part of the Challenge Partners Network. It is always interesting to work with colleagues in different schools and there is ALWAYS something to pick up and bring back to our school. It is great to be back at Kentish Town C of E. Many thanks to Grant and Emma for taking care of things while I was away.

## Coronavirus Update

The advice from the Government remains the same as I write this newsletter. Children and adults should use a tissue to catch germs from a sneeze or a cough, that we should all wash our hands more often than normally (for at least 20 seconds in warm water with soap) and that we should self-isolate and take medical advice by telephone if we think we may have symptoms or have recently travelled to an affected area. Obviously I will notify you immediately if the advice to schools changes. Our school is “deep cleaned” over the Easter holiday as it always is.

**Thank you for being such a level-headed group of parents and carers in such anxious times!**

## Camden Music Festival

On Tuesday evening our wonderful choir took part in the amazing celebration of music at the Royal Albert Hall. The quality of the music making and singing was exceptional and I know many of the parents and carers who were there were very moved to see their children taking part. Thank you to the children and to Corren, Karen, Sharon D and Natalie for taking the children along!



## Easter Dates

Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th April — Parents' Evenings  
Thursday 26th March Acorn Parents' Evening  
Monday 30th March—class photos  
Tuesday 31st March Friends' Cake Sale—donations needed please!  
Tuesday 31st March Eggmobile Races am and Easter Hat Parade 1.30pm—school hall  
Thursday April 2nd—Easter Service at St Bent's Church—9.45am  
Friday April 3rd—Wider Opps Concert in the school hall—9.45am

With best wishes,

James Humphries

**Headteacher**

### Acorn Class

Acorn class have been really enjoying a story called Sam and Dave Dig a Hole. This is a story about 2 friends who dig a hole in search of something spectacular. We have had lots of fun in nursery making and designing treasure for Sam and Dave to find and using the bee bots to navigate across maps to find treasure. We have also got some tadpoles in nursery that we are observing - we are researching what will happen to them as they grow bigger!



### Oak Class

Oak Class has been taken over by superheroes! We have been making our own comic strips using our phonics to write words like pow, zap and kaboom. In Maths, we have been talking about and ordering time and making our own clocks.



### Willow Class

Willow Class have been reading Grace and Family by Mary Hoffman. It is a family story set in The Gambia. The children have been researching the geography and culture of the country and imagining how it might feel to go on a visit to an unfamiliar place. This means we have also been looking at all kinds of maps! We have been having a fantastic time on Friday afternoons with Corinne - a drama specialist, acting out the storm scene from The Tempest for our part in The Primary Shakespeare Project. We will be sharing it soon!



### Ash Class

Ash class have been enjoying our new topic of clothes by weaving fabrics with ribbons and string. We have also been learning about the Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear. We performed the poem, wrote wedding invitations and are in the process of making puppets! Finally, Ash have really enjoyed our trip to the science museum to investigate different materials.



### Cedar Class

Cedar Class have really enjoyed learning all about Ancient Greece. The children have listened to lots of Greek myths, written diary entries and newspaper reports. They have even designed and created their own Minotaur puppets and Greek vases!



### Sycamore Class

Sycamore Class visited the British Museum on Wednesday to re-search the Sutton Hoo burial site: the richest burial in the UK! We took the iPads to document the day's activities, creating Book Creator books showing everything we found out about.



### Beech Class

Beech Class have been having fun this week acting, drawing and describing evil Ebenezer, villain of Aladdin. We've also been playing the Sticky Dogs game to help us find out about evolution. Some of us got killed off but others thrived...



### Chestnut Class

Chestnut Class have been learning about the daily life of a Roman Legionary in preparation for our trip to Verulamium next week - luckily, we won't have to carry as much heavy equipment as they did! We've also been writing new chapters of Carol Ann Duffy's fairy tale *The Princess Blankets*, acting out the orbits of planets in our solar system, and making our own patterned paper for collages. Later this term we'll have a visit from the Primary Shakespeare Company to inspire our upcoming performance of *The Tempest*, and practice safe cycling in school!





Happy Birthday to all those children who have a birthday in March.

Elise  
Aleelah  
Martha  
Medina

Ned  
Theo  
Tom  
Astrid

Max  
Harvey  
Malaika

Ollie  
Iris N-K  
Laqaun

## ONLINE CALENDAR

Please remember to check the online calendar for details of events happening in and outside school.

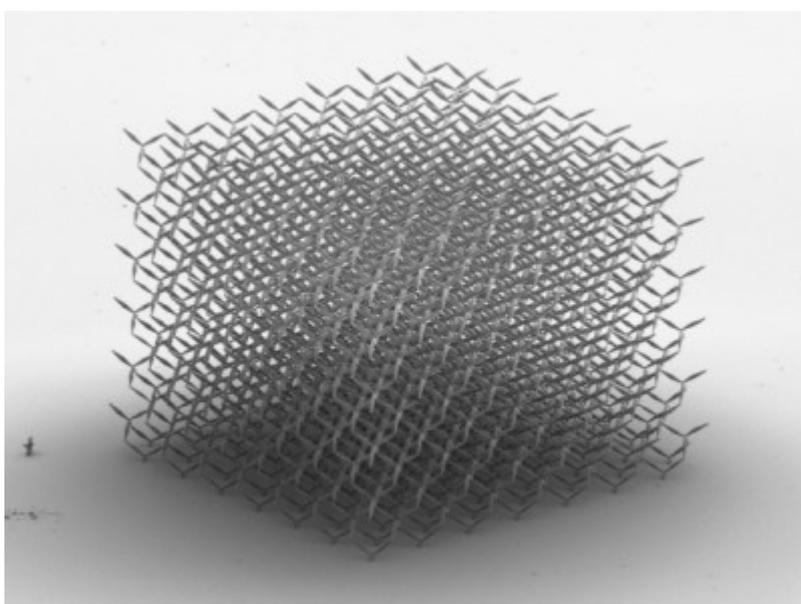
# *Public Open Day:* **TRANSFORMATION**

Saturday 28 March 2020 1:00pm  
- 5:00pm

Free, no booking required.

Location: Institute of Making,  
Malet Place, UCL, London,  
WC1E 7JE Map

Save the date for an extravaganza of materials and making around the theme of TRANSFORMATION, as we host a one-day, large-scale, drop-in and totally free festival.



We will feature substances that change states, structures, states and colours, as well as investigating meta-materials, metamorphosis, forensic science and face recognition technologies. We will be putting on a wealth of shifty activities with plentiful making processes that explore the mutation, alteration, and transfiguration of materials.

As always, the Institute of Making will be open to the public on the day, giving visitors the opportunity to have a glimpse of the Materials Library and its wondrous collection of stuff.

Save our transformative date in your diary and sign up to our mailing list to be the first to receive event updates and news.

Free, open to all, drop-in from 1pm, gates close at 5pm.

Do you have particular access requirements?

The Makerspace has wheelchair access to the Materials Library and downstairs workshop but not up to the mezzanine. We would like to make sure that everyone can use the Makerspace, our events and our website as easily as possible so please let us know if you need any additional support or assistance while using our facilities. We are always interested in feedback to help us improve access to our facilities.