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# Kentish Town C of E Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy start to the school year and it is truly wonderful to see the children engaging so well with their learning! There are a large number of events coming up such as Harvest Festival and the Friends AGM. Alongside newsletters, the calendar on the website is often a good way of seeing what is happening when.

#### **New Parents**

A very warm welcome to all new families joining our wonderful community this year! Our Welcome to Reception meeting will take place in the hall on **Thursday 25th September at 3:30pm** for new Reception parents and children.

#### **Harvest Festival-Change of Date!**

Due to timetable clashes, the Harvest Festival will now be held in the hall on **Friday the 3rd October** at **10am**. All parents are welcome to attend for some classic Kentish Town Harvest songs such as Big Red Combine Harvester, Mr Scarecrow and our famous Harvest Table song. Donations of tinned or dry food can be brought into school and placed on our Harvest display from Monday the 29th September. This year we are collecting food for the Kentish Town Food Bank.

#### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Large numbers of children are arriving very late for school on a daily basis. **Please be on time.** Arrival after 9:10am results in an unauthorised absence. If your child is not able to attend school, please do let the office know this and also what the reason is for absence. Parents of children with very low attendance will be asked to provide medical evidence if the are persistently ill. Please also note that we are **unable** to authorise a holiday in term time and doing so will incur a penalty notice.

#### **School Uniform**

Please support us by making sure your child/ren are in appropriate uniform for school. Our uniform does **not** include:

#### **Hooded tops**

Trainers that light up

Branded items of sports clothing.

We have lots of used uniform in excellent condition that will be given out free of charge. This uniform is sustainable, free and in great condition. Any parent who is struggling with the cost of uniform should speak to Pam in the office and we will be able to help.

#### Toilets

Any visiting parents who need to use the toilets must use the toilet in the foyer. Adults should not use the children's toilets under any circumstances.

## **Parent Governor Election** We have a vacancy for a parent elected governor on our board. More information on this will be issued soon. **Community Breakfast Update.** Due to the generosity of a parent we are able to run Community Breakfast for the Autumn Term! Community Breakfast is a free breakfast and a wonderful opportunity for the community to get together in the hall from 8:15am and share some food and a conversation. New parents are especially welcome. The breakfast will run on the following dates: Friday 26th September Friday 10th October Thursday 23rd October 🗎 Friday 7th November Friday 21 November Friday 5th December Thursday 18th December We still looking for further funding to run this for the remainder of the year. If you know of any organisation who could support us, please do get in touch. **Nut Free School and Class Teas** We have a number of children in our school community who have severe allergies to tree nuts. Please don't include nut products (including Nutella) in packed lunches or in cakes or biscuits. This is especially important if you are making anything for class teas. All ingredients must be listed on anything home made. Many thanks for your help. **Snacks for Morning Play** As you may be aware, children in Acorns, Oak, Ash and Willow classes receive a piece of fresh fruit (and sometimes vegetables) as part of the National Fruit Scheme. This is their mid morning snack. Children in Key Stage 2—Cedar, Sycamore, Chestnut and Beech classes can bring in a healthy snack each day. Fresh fruit is a great choice, as is something like a bagel or some crackers. Please don't send in sweets, chocolate biscuits, crisps etc. as these are not healthy choices for our children. In addition, the playground is regularly littered with packets and wrappers! Can I also reiterate that we are a water only school, so please do send in water but not sugary drinks such as Capri Sun. Safeguarding Whilst we welcome parents onto the school site at the beginning and end of the school day, parents should **not** be wandering around the school site during lesson times. If you are collecting your child for an appointment or dropping something off, staff will support with this. Please kindly remain in the foyer. Best wishes, Grant Jacobson Headteacher )AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

## Friends of Kentish Town AGM

Fancy getting (a bit) more involved in the school community? Curious where the fundraising money goes and how it benefits the children?

Come along to the Friends of Kentish Town School AGM

Friday 26th September

**9**:00 AM

Science Room/Lab

Meet friendly faces, enjoy biscuits, and discover how together we make a real difference for our school. Everyone is welcome, especially new parents—come and get involved!

### Harvest Barn Dance at St Benet's

Friday 3rd October, 6.45-10pm: Harvest Barn Dance at St Benet's.

Pro band & caller; Free nibbles; Bar; All star raffle. £6 adult, £3 child.

Book at <a href="https://tickets.myiknowchurch.co.uk/gb/NzkzMS0z/t">https://tickets.myiknowchurch.co.uk/gb/NzkzMS0z/t</a> or pay in cash or by card in person.





