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Kentish Town C of E Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Wishing all of our Muslim community an very happy Eid today! We are hoping to organise an Eid Tea after school on **Wednesday the 15th April**. Any food contributions would be very welcome but no products with nuts.

Some reminders of our last week of term next week.

Tuesday 24th March

Eggmobiles

Due to swimming lessons we have had to make some minor changes to the running order.

The races will be as follows:

9:10 – 10:10: Chestnut, Ash, Oak, Beech (**Please note Oak class is now in session 1**)

10:20– 11:20: Sycamore, Acorns, Willow, Cedar (**Please note Willow class is now in session 2**)

Easter Hat Parade-2-3pm

Parents and carers are encouraged to make an Easter Hat / Bonnet with your children. If you haven't started, this weekend would be the ideal time to get into the Easter spirit!

Parents are welcome to attend!

Easter Service-26th March 2026

All classes will attend the service and together the children sing and tell the Easter story. Parents and Carers are welcome to attend. This should start at about 9:45/10:00am and should finish at about 10:45am. Please be patient as we get all the children ready and settled.

Friends Auction-26th March 2026-7pm

The Friends of Kentish Town PTA will be hosting an auction in the school hall. Delicious food and drinks will be available on the night. All welcome!

Easter Holidays.

We break up for the holidays at **1:15pm on Friday the 27th March 2026**. School re-opens on **Tuesday the 14th April**.

Please note that the school is closed on:

Monday 4th May-bank holiday

Thursday 7th May for local elections.

Please also see info on page 2 about the Meningitis outbreak you may have read about in the press. This is not something to be concerned about but all parents should be aware of the symptoms and risks of Meningitis.

Measles is also on the rise in North London. If you would like a vaccine please contact your GP to make arrangements.

Also, please see additional info on online safety and extra swimming lessons in the holidays.

Best wishes,
Grant Jacobson
Headteacher

Information for parents and children from the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA)

About invasive meningococcal disease

Meningococcal disease (meningitis and septicaemia) is an uncommon but serious disease caused by meningococcal bacteria. The onset of illness is often sudden and early diagnosis and treatment with antibiotics are vital. While meningococcal disease can affect all ages, recent outbreaks have shown that older children, teenagers and young adults, particularly those in shared settings such as schools, colleges and universities, are more likely to be affected.

How invasive meningococcal disease spreads

Meningococcal infection doesn't spread very easily. The bacteria can only be passed to others after a long period of close contact, for example living with someone in shared accommodation, through prolonged kissing or sharing vapes. People may be offered preventive antibiotics if they have had significant, close contact with someone with meningococcal disease in the last 7 days.

Signs and symptoms

Meningococcal disease can progress rapidly, so it's essential that parents and students are alert to the signs and symptoms of meningococcal meningitis and septicaemia. **You should seek urgent medical help if you or your child develop any symptoms of meningococcal disease.**

- a rash that doesn't fade when pressed with a glass
- sudden onset of high fever
- severe and worsening headache
- stiff neck
- vomiting and diarrhoea
- joint and muscle pain
- dislike of bright lights
- very cold hands and feet
- seizures
- confusion/delirium
- extreme sleepiness/difficulty waking

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The latest advice is that the Kentish Town area is designated as a low risk area.

Online Safety for Parents – Keep Your Children Safe Online

On Wednesday, we were visited by Gillian Ingram from the Camden Learning Centre who delivered a coffee morning and discussed online safety for children with SEND.

This information is relevant for all parents; find below a QR code which will take you to a padlet with a wide-range of information around keeping children safe online.



If the QR Code doesn't work please follow this link:

<https://padlet.com/CCLC/parents-online-safety-an4g6s0nwqrf6jdb>



HOLIDAY COURSES



SWISS COTTAGE LEISURE CENTRE

EASTER HOLIDAYS

MONDAY 30TH MARCH – FRIDAY 3RD APRIL

Whether your children are beginners or you're wanting to build their confidence, we cater for all levels of ability and will help them progress in the world of water.

FOUNDATION:

For children aged 4 years and over who are non-swimmers and beginners. Teaching pupils the essential swimming skills to ensure they learn to be safe in and around water. Learning the basic techniques for all 4 strokes, achieving 10 metres on Front Crawl and Backstroke by the end of their Green milestones.

FOUNDATION

09:00 – 09:30

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10:00 – 10:30

DEVELOPMENT
10:30 - 11:00

DEVELOPMENT:

Children aged 5-12 years who are able to swim 15m Plus. Teaching pupils advanced swimming skills, developing their techniques on all 4 strokes to create efficient and effective swimmers. Lessons focus on a wide range of skills across all aquatic sports. Pupils will learn basic water survival and rescue skills as part of the milestone awards. Here we will also work with other partner clubs to assess each pupil's ability to progress in talent pathways.

For more information email Kylie.bland@gll.org

Book your child's lesson online betterlessons.org.uk or alternatively speak to a member of our team at the centre who will be able to support you.

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