



Kenton Primary School

Autumn 1 Newsletter



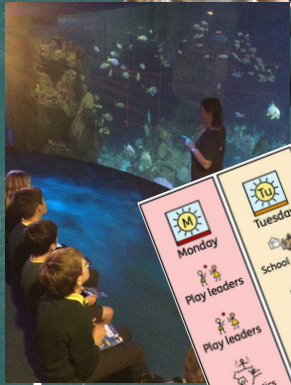
Autumn 1 at Kenton

I am incredibly proud of everyone at Kenton this half term, who have overcome flooding and a change of site to ensure that our school has remained a special and safe place. The children have been truly remarkable and have quickly settled into school at Hope Church; designing and developing play times and setting up lunch time clubs as well as immersing themselves in this half term's curriculum.

Our whole school trip to the National Marine Aquarium was a fantastic introduction to our next science topics. KS2 learnt about evolution, using VR headsets to experience Darwin's journey to the Galápagos Islands and being marine biologists conducting surveys and learning about sampling in the exhibits. KS1 enjoyed taking part in challenges on an interactive tour and learnt about habitats in their workshop, where they even made their own habitat hats!

To celebrate Black History Month, the children took part in interactive workshops from Tiny Travels which challenged the children to ask questions about identity and heritage as well as learning about African countries and their unique cultures.

Chestnut have enjoyed learning about the mighty Mayans, exploring Mayan culture and history through their Mayan hook day. Oak enjoyed a visit to Kents Cavern to spark their learning about the Stone Age and Willow enjoyed role playing a Coronation and learning about the Regal Royals and the concept of succession.



School Transport

We are very pleased to share that our school bus will be able to continue running next half term. To support us with this we will be starting a new bus system where all changes to the bus places will need to be made by 3.00pm on Thursday for the following week. The bus lists will then be fixed at this point and we will only be able to alter them under exceptional circumstances. Thank you for your support with this.

Upcoming Events

Next half term we will be focussing on Geography skills within our curriculum. Oak will be learning about 'All Around the World' comparing continents and countries from different parts of the globe. Chestnut will be focussing on South America. Willow's theme will centre around their Science learning, linked to animals through their topic, "Paws, claws and whiskers".

Key Dates



Tuesday 31st October:
School photos and Willow class animal visit



Wednesday 15th
November: Chestnut class visit to Paignton Zoo



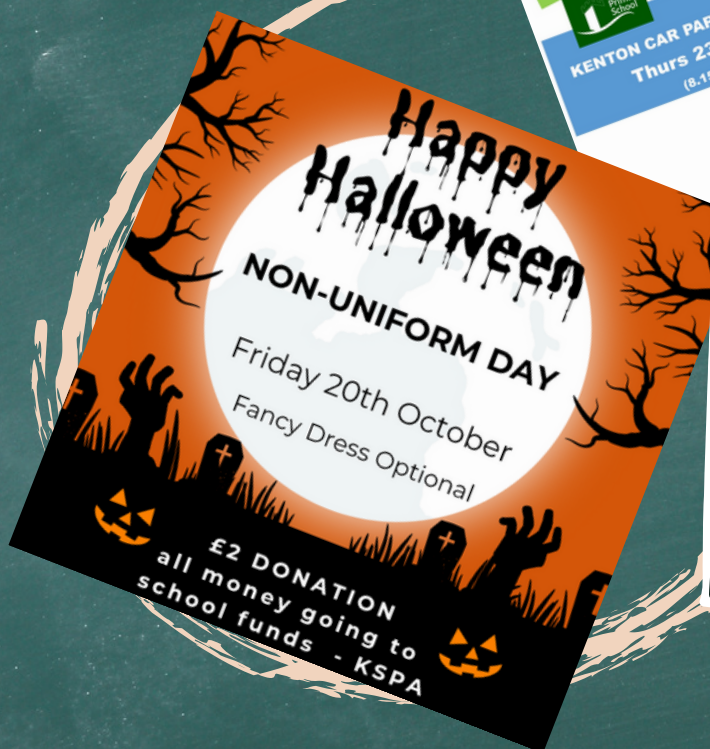
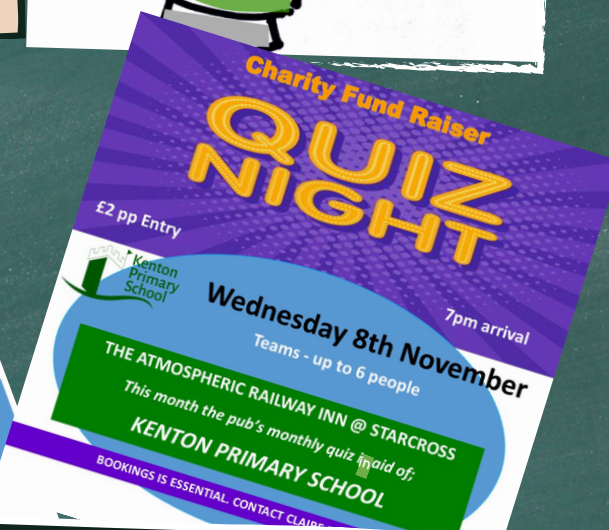
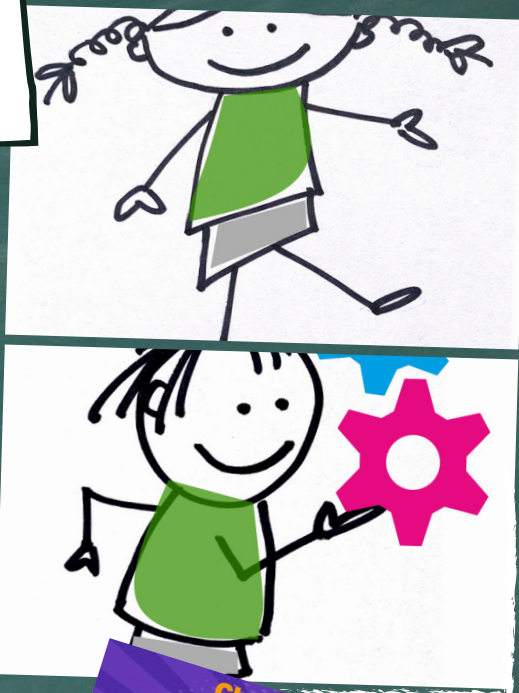
Tuesday 12th December
Christmas production:
2-3pm : KS1 Nativity
5-6pm: KS2 Carol concert and dance

Parent Voice

We would love to hear from you more frequently so that you are able to shape your child's school experience through joining a parent forum. Meetings will be held on a Tuesday morning (once a half term) at 9.10am, with the first meeting starting Tuesday 7th November. Please email and let us know if you would like to attend.

As a school, we are always seeking to improve the experience for your children and would be very grateful if you could complete the survey linked below to share your views and suggestions with us.

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KSPA Update

Friday 20th October: Non uniform day
Wednesday 8th November: KSPA quiz night at Atmospheric (Starcross)
Wednesday 15th November: AGM (details to follow)
Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th November: clothes recycling
Wednesday 13th December: Children's Christmas Fayre



How does school keep me safe?

Curriculum

- PSHE lessons
- Online safety in computing
- Dogs Trust workshops
- Fire Safety
- NSPCC- Pants
- The kenton Way
- Assemblies
- Bikeability
- Antibullying

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Emotional Support

- PSHE lessons- SCARF
- Morning greeting
- Play leaders
- House groups
- Sensory breaks
- Communication with families
- Working with professionals
- School council
- Allergies recorded

Self Care skills and health

- PE lessons
- Swimming
- Our Learning behaviours
- Science lessons
- Support at lunch times
- Forest School
- Walking to the field
- Medication
- First Aiders

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Building Safety

- Door locks and codes
- Visitor badges
- Staff lanyards
- Building checks
- Fire alarms and lock down procedures
- Signing in and out
- Safeguarding posters

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Training and development

- All staff record and share safeguarding information
- All staff have up to date training
- Regular pupil voice and actions on safeguarding