



## HEAD TEACHER'S NEWS

### WELCOME BACK

A warm welcome back to all our families, we hope you all had an enjoyable summer holiday taking advantage of one of the hottest summers for years. A special welcome to all our new children in Nursery and our new FS2 pupils, who have just started with us this week.

We have also had two new staff join Kineton Green this academic year, Miss Oakley who is working in Year 3 and Mr McLoughlin (Mr Mac for short) who is looking after our Reception children.

Just this week we had to say our farewells to Mr Harrison. Mr Harrison was completely dedicated to Kineton Green and always gave of his very best to help the children. We wish him all the very best as he starts his new job. He will be immeasurably missed.

Taking up the mantle is our new site manager - Mr Handley. Mr Handley is no stranger to the school as both his children attended. I am sure you will join us in making him feel as welcome as possible.

### BE A LIFE LONG LEARNER

#### Year group curriculum meetings:

This year we have decided to hold individual year group curriculum meetings at which the class teacher will go over year group expectations including homework, the curriculum content for the year, trips, how you can support your child and much more. These meetings will be held after school next week. Please see below for dates for each class. These meetings will be for Years 1-6 only. We hope you will be able to join us.

Year 1 - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October

Year 2 - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September

Year 3 - Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Year 4 - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Year 5 - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Year 6 - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September

In order to help us gauge numbers please could you book a place through our booking website -

[www.kinetongreen.parentseveningsystem.co.uk](http://www.kinetongreen.parentseveningsystem.co.uk)

#### Class DoJo:

All of our class teachers use Class Dojo as a reward system for your children in school. They also post year group messages and reminders. If you would like to follow your child and their class please sign up to Class Dojo. Please can we remind you that this is only a one way communication system and staff will not be systematically checking for messages. If you would like to contact staff please email or phone the school office.

### BE CONFIDENT

#### Staffing update:

This week we are interviewing for a new teaching assistant to replace Mrs Ingram's role. As soon as we have an outcome we will let you know.



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### BE RESPECTFUL

With all the children moving into their new year groups it may be helpful to remind you about pick up points at the end of the day. We would kindly ask parents of Year 1 pupils to pick up from the fire door next to the outdoor classroom, Years 2, 3 and 4 parents to wait on the courts, at the front of the school (not by the back entrance to the school as this causes congestion) where teachers will release children when they see their parents and Year 5 and 6 children will exit via their classroom fire doors and be released in front of the main school entrance by the grassed area. If parents of year 5 and 6 pupils wish their children to walk home on their own please could you inform the school office to give your consent.

### PTA

The PTA will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday October 3rd at 6.30pm. At the meeting they will be looking to appoint a new Chair as Laura Davies is having to step down as she is expecting a baby. In order for the PTA to continue to hold events for our children and families we need a Chairman and additional PTA members who are able to support the organisation and running of these events. The PTA are always happy to welcome new parents. If you think you may be able to help in any way however small please come along on the night.

### BE SAFE AND HEALTHY

#### School Meals:

Just to remind parents of children in reception to year 2 that your children are entitled to a universal free school meal. If you have not already done so, please register for these meals via the Councils website [www.solihull.gov.uk/fsm](http://www.solihull.gov.uk/fsm). For year groups 3 to 6 school meals can be purchased and paid for on Parent Pay. From September you will notice a small increase in the cost of the meals due to increases in food prices and the introduction of the minimum living wage. The cost of a school meal has increased to £2.10 per day or £10.50 per week.

#### Snacks:

Reception to year 2 pupils are provided with free fruit and vegetables for snack time. Pupils in years 3-6 can bring in their own small snack for break time but we ask parents to provide a healthy snack such as a piece of fruit or a cereal bar. Please help us by not sending children in with crisps or chocolate.

#### Nut free school:

We do have several children in school who suffer from nut allergies. Please could you ensure that your children do not bring any form of nuts into school for their snack, lunch or for birthday gifts to give out to the class. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

#### Drinks Bottles:

We would ask that you send your children in with a named water bottle with a non added sugar based drink or preferably water to drink throughout the day. School has several water fountains for the children to refill at. School no longer provides paper cups for pupils without water bottles.

### PARENT AND GOVERNOR MEETINGS

Each term the governors hold a parent and governor meeting in order to disseminate information to parents regarding many aspects of the running and management of the school. Governors very much want to listen to the views of parents, in order to help shape plans and developments for the school as well as keeping you informed as much as possible. This term's parent and governor meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 10th October at 7pm.

Once again could we ask you to book via the school booking system - [www.kinetongreen.parentseveningsystem.co.uk](http://www.kinetongreen.parentseveningsystem.co.uk)

### BIKEABILITY

As part of the promotion of bikeability and to ensure children are riding their bikes safely a promotional video has been created to explain the areas that need checking to ensure the bike and the trainee are safe to ride.

<https://youtu.be/iLGXp6Rm0aE>



Imagine arriving at school the morning after you have heard and, or seen your parents arguing and one being beaten. You have not slept and have had no breakfast. Your home is in disarray. You don't have all your school uniform or your PE kit and now you have to sit in class and learn about adverbs. You are worried about your parents and want to be with them but you are also very worried about what will happen when you do go home at the end of the day. You can't tell anyone what has happened or how you feel.

This happens in our schools every day and there are no current procedures for the early reporting on of Domestic Abuse incidents to schools and this means that our children, the often inaudible and invisible victims of Domestic Abuse, are left without the support and nurture that they need when they need it most. The solution to this is the pioneering project, Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass was created to ensure that by 9.00am on the next day the school will be informed that a child or young person has been involved in a domestic abuse incident. This knowledge, given to the school's trained Key Adult allows the provision of immediate early intervention through overt or silent support, dependent upon the needs and wishes of the child. Key Adults have been identified within schools and specific training has been provided in how to deal with 'raw sensitive and dynamic information' given by Operation Encompass. Additional training has been given to the schools in relation to the identification of the signs and symptoms of a child or young person suffering from Domestic Abuse.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September - Year 4 Curriculum meeting

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September - Year 5 & Year 6 Curriculum meeting

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September - Year 2 Curriculum meeting

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September - Year 3 Curriculum meeting

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September - Yr2 trip to Warwick Castle

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Year 1 Curriculum meeting

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October - Parent/ Governor meeting

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Year 3 trip to Cadbury World (letter to follow)

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October - School Disco

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Open Day at 10am for Nursery/Reception

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Open Evening at 6pm for Nursery/Reception

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 - School Disco

## WELCOME LUNCH & MOVING UP 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018

Southern Style Chicken  
Or  
Quorn Nuggets

With  
Potato Smiles  
Baked Beans or Carrots

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Rocket Lollies

If you would like your child to have a special school dinner please pay £2.10 online via ParentPay or with your PayPoint card at your nearest PayPoint store. There is no charge for children in FS2, Year 1 and Year 2.



## WELL DONE

**Evie P (Year 1) - For  
using finger spaces**

# Gold Book

Class	w/c 10/09/2018
Year 1	Hamzah A Yunus R Bee Award - Archie L
Year 2	Robyn K Jacob S Bee Award - Arjun K
Year 3	Zak B Megan J Bee Award - Aisha Shaikh Red Ribbon For being so resilient when you were unable to go swimming
Year 4	Umar K Alfie R Bee Award - Leya R
Year 5	Imogen M Jack B Bee Award - Jasmine C
Year 6	Daragh C Inaaya H Bee Award - Harvey M

## ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY

On Sunday 9th September, I completed the Great North Run for the Alzheimer's Society in memory of my Grandma Ivy. It was an absolutely incredible experience; running in the area that my family are all from and cheered on by the phenomenal crowds which lined every part of the 13.1 miles. If you would like to donate to this wonderful charity or find out more, please visit my fundraising page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sarah-thomson13>

There is also a charity box at the main school office.

Thank you,  
Mrs Thomson

