



# Kinerton Green Primary School

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## Head Teacher's News

It has now been two weeks since we reopened the school to all pupils. It is great to have the children back and the school is now starting to feel like a school again. The children have settled in well and are obviously pleased they can be back with their friends.

### Drop Off and Collection Times

Below I have included the bubble times for your reference.

Class	AM	PM	Where?	PE Days
Nursery	8.55am	11.55am	Olton gate	Friday
Reception	8.40am	3.10pm	Top FS gate (blue)	Friday
Year 1	8.40am	3.10pm	Pedestrian path	Wednesday Thursday
Year 2	8.45am	3.15pm	Vehicular drive	Tuesday Friday
Year 3	8.45am	3.15pm	Pedestrian path	Tuesday
Year 4	8.50am	3.20pm	Vehicular drive	Monday Friday
Year 5	8.50am	3.20pm	Pedestrian path	Monday Wednesday
Year 6	8.35am	3.05pm	Pedestrian path	Monday Thursday

Please could I remind you that these are the times the children will be going in with their teacher and coming out at the end of the day. I would advise that you arrive no more than 5 minutes before this time to minimise mixing of year group bubbles. If you arrive late the member of staff at the top of the drive will have to ask you to wait with your child until the other bubbles have gone in. Please could I ask our Reception and Year 2 pupils, in particular, to make sure they are on time.

If you are late and there is no member of staff on the gate please do not take your child to the Reception door but contact the office via the 'call button' on the gate and the office staff will direct you.

### Inclusion Plans

New Inclusion plans (hard copies) will be going out on the following dates:-

Monday 22nd March—for those children who were in school during lockdown.

Monday 29th March—for those children who were home learning.

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

*Thurs 1st April—Last day of term*

*Mon 19th April—Return to school*

*Tues 20th April—Parents Evening*

*Weds 21st April—Parents Evening*

*Thurs 22nd April—Parents Evening*

*Thurs 6th May—Inset Day*

*9th June—14th July—Yr4 & Yr5  
Chance to Shine Cricket*



# Head Teacher's News—Continued

## Reminders:

- ◆ Please can I also remind you that one adult only should accompany pupils on pick up and drop off and that you should wear a face covering.
- ◆ When queueing please use the yellow markings and **do not** gather in a group when dropping off or collecting children.
- ◆ Please refrain from using your mobile phone whilst on school premises.
- ◆ We ask that adults wear face coverings in order to protect others in our school community. School can provide these if needed.
- ◆ Use appropriate language in front of our children. Offensive language will be challenged.
- ◆ Please keep your children with you at all times and off the banks at the side of the vehicular driveway.
- ◆ Dogs are not allowed on school grounds (even if carried).

Thank you to the vast majority of our community who do respect others and abide by these requests.

## Be a Life Long Learner

### Parents Evenings

Bookings for parents evening will be opened at 7pm on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020. You will need to go the following website, [kinetongreen.schoolcloud.co.uk](http://kinetongreen.schoolcloud.co.uk) You will need your current email address and your child's date of birth in order to make an appointment. Parents' evenings will be held remotely or by phone on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April, Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April and Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April** from 4pm – 7pm. Once again please make sure the email address we have for you is current otherwise you will not be able to book an appointment.

Nursery parents' evenings will be held Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April in the afternoons from 12.30—2.15pm If you are unable to make an afternoon appointment, please contact the office before the Easter holidays and we will make alternative arrangements.

This will be a valuable meeting for school and parents to share the work covered during lockdown, gaps we need to address and how your child managed and is managing now they are back at school.

Please note, those parents with children on Inclusion plans will be able to book a 20 minute appointment.

## Year 3 Swimming

Information has been sent out to parents of our Year 3 pupils about swimming lessons. The children missed a number of lessons due to COVID19 and so we have extended the lessons into the summer term. Unfortunately, this has meant we have had to ask for a small contribution towards the cost but feel it is of vital importance that the children get the opportunity to develop such an important life skill. We hope parents will be able to support us to do this. Thank you.

## Year 2 Phonics

A fantastic achievement!

Year 2 phonics testing was postponed last year due to COVID 19. The screening therefore took place in the Autumn term 2020. I am very pleased to say that through the efforts of the staff, children and parents (who supported their children during the lockdown) we achieved a 93% pass rate which is a credit to all considering the problems we have all faced!

## National Lockdown Restrictions

Please can I remind parents that even though lockdown restrictions are being eased the Government has set out a 'Road Map,' outlining when this will happen but this relies on certain requirements being met. If we do not all continue to adhere to the current restrictions, then this may delay this. We must all continue to work together to ensure this does not happen.

# Head Teacher's News—Continued

## Staffing Update

### Miss Edwards

I am extremely delighted to announce that Miss Edwards will be expecting her first baby in September this year. It is fantastic news for her and her fiancé. Congratulations both!

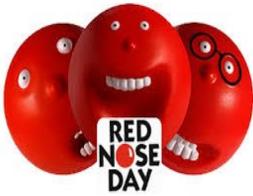
### Mrs Dayhia

I am also pleased to welcome a new member of staff, Mrs Dayhia. Mrs Dayhia will be supporting the school, through funding provided by the Governments 'Catch Up' programme, to support pupils learning, close gaps and accelerate progress.

## Red Nose Day!

Today was Red Nose Day and it was great to see all the children in their red noses and tell their favourite jokes. The school has not been able to sell the noses this year but wherever you purchased your nose from your donation still goes directly to the charity. Thank you to Mrs Knight for organising this and for children sticking to the rules and not swapping noses.

Here's one for all the grammar lovers out there.....



*What's the difference between a cat and a comma?*

*One has claws at the end of its paws. The other is a pause at the end of a clause.*

## Bubble Clubs

We are currently offering year group 'bubble clubs,' before and after school run by Miss Hale, every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. If you would like your child to join, please contact the school office as we still have spaces available. It's a great way for your child to stay fit and healthy and to spend more time with their friends after such a long time at home.

## COVID19

It is still vitally important that you inform school if you or one of your family members (who lives with you) tests positive for COVID-19. If you or your child have symptoms of Coronavirus we would ask that you **and your children** isolate as soon as you have any of the publicised symptoms, **let the school know**, book a test and self-isolate until the results come back and let school know the outcome, via the school email. If the test is positive school will send information to the bubble and staff it may affect and who may need to isolate.

Parents and carers should refrain from sending your child into school if they have one or more symptoms of the virus;

- A new or continuous cough
- Loss or change of taste or smell
- A fever/high temperature

If your child has one or more of these symptoms, please ring 119 or go to the government website to book a test. Please inform school with the result of the test. If negative your child can return to school straight away.

## Vaccinations

As COVID19 vaccinations continue I am pleased to say that, though occupation has not been prioritised, a number of staff at Kinton Green have already been vaccinated which is good news. This will obviously continue in line with the Government's planned roll out.

# Head Teacher's News—Continued

## Lateral Flow Device Testing for Parents

The Government has now rolled out testing for all parents should they wish to take advantage of this. This is a self-administered test using a LFD (Lateral Flow Device) which is carried out at home and gives an 83% accurate result in half an hour. The tests are to detect adults who are asymptomatic and may be carrying the virus without symptoms. This is part of the Governments drive to break the chains of infection and to help detect the spread of the virus. If you have a positive test result you would need to get a PCR test to confirm this and then isolate for 10 days.

## School Nurse Update

NCMP – The National Child Measurement Programme

Pre COVID 19 the school nurses would normally be carrying out height and weight measurements with our Reception and Year 6 pupils. We have been informed that this has been put on hold at present but we will keep you informed when the programme re-starts.

## Vision Screening

Vision screening for our Reception pupils will now be carried out in September 2021 when the children will be in Year 1.

## Support for Parents

With the situation caused by COVID19, we are aware that some of our families may have found themselves in a position where parents have lost their jobs or had to manage on a lower income. We have been contacted by Solihull Local Authority to say that should any parents be having difficulties such as this then as a school we are able to access the 'Children's Storehouse,' which provides clothing parcels for families who would find this helpful. Please don't hesitate call the school office if you feel this would be of benefit.

## Free School Meals During Isolation

The DfE have been supplying supermarket vouchers for our pupils who have been home schooling during the recent lockdown. This scheme has now come to an end.

Moving forward, where pupils who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals are required to stay at home for reasons of self isolation, our Catering team are able to provide lunch parcels. These will have to be requested at the start of the isolation period, please contact the school office for further details.

## Turn on the Subtitles

There is a new campaign called Kids read more when we Turn On The Subtitles. We wanted to let you know how this brilliantly simple, free, small change to children's existing TV viewing habits can drastically improve their reading skills. Follow Stephen Fry who will explain the benefits of turning on the subtitles in more detail [www.turnonthesubtitles.org/parents](http://www.turnonthesubtitles.org/parents)



*What do you call a Frenchman in sandals?*

*Phillipe Floppe*

## Traffic At The School Gates

Traffic at the school gates can create dangerous environments for our students. To make sure everyone is safe on their journeys to school, try something different! Walk or cycle, take public transport, or if there is no other option, please park further away from school. Even a five minute walk in the morning and evening can have huge benefits, and it increases safety at the school gate.

## HEAD TEACHERS AWARD

Tylee K—Amazing improvement in his writing

Noah C— For spelling his high frequency words

Well Done



## PTA News

### Eggstraordinary Easter Dress Up—26th March 2021

School will be holding an Eggstraordinary Easter dress up day on Friday 26th March 2021. Children can dress up in any eggstraordinary way they choose which can be Easter themed but could just be eggstraordinary in another way, for example, clothes on back to front, pants on top of trousers, odd socks or any eggstraordinary way they choose. There will be a prize in each class for the child who is most eggstraordinary and a chocolate Easter lolly for every child. A £1 voluntary donation is requested via Parent Pay.

### Break the Rules for April Fools! - 1st April 2021

We have all spent the last 12 months following a lot of rules and we thought that the children might enjoy a day when they can break up to 3 school rules in return for a £1 voluntary donation via ParentPay.

There are 6 rules which can be broken just on this special day which are:

1. You must not wear pyjamas.
2. You must have neat hairstyles
3. You must wear school shoes.
4. You must wear matching socks.
5. You must bring a healthy snack.
6. You must not wear nail varnish or temporary tattoos.
7. Teachers must wear smart clothes.

Children can choose up to 3 rules to "break" in return for their £1. For example children could wear trainers and odd socks to school and have crisps as their break time snack or they could have "crazy hair", wear nail varnish and odd socks. These are the only rules that can be broken on this special day.



*I couldn't figure out why the baseball kept getting bigger ..... Then it hit me*

*What's orange and sounds like a parrot?*

*Answer—A Carrot*

# Gold Book



Class	w/c 8th March 2021	w/c 15th March 2021
<b>FS1</b>	Gold Award—Hermione M Gold Award—Shawaiz K Bee Award—Hugo C	Gold Award—Eva C-B Gold Award—Paris N Bee Award—Vinnie J
<b>FS2</b>	Gold Award—Grayson L Gold Award—Mila G Bee Award—Kenon P	Gold Award—Rocky M Gold Award—Ammarah G Bee Award—Brooke H
<b>Year 1</b>	Gold Award—Elise H Gold Award—Anaiah M Bee Award—Rayyan K	Gold Award—Chloe W Gold Award—Trey B Bee Award—Ava G
<b>Year 2</b>	Gold Award—Dylan W Gold Award—Archie J Bee Award—Sanchez S	Gold Award—Ayaan C Gold Award—Ellie-Rose T Bee Award—Mia B
<b>Year 3</b>	Gold Award—Yunus R Gold Award—Poppy S Bee Award—Layla W	Gold Award—Elliot G Gold Award—Hamza E Bee Award—Harley-Joel G
<b>Year 4</b>	Gold Award—Taio B Gold Award—Jannat S Bee Award—Kai E-T	Gold Award—Charlie W Gold Award—Autumn-Lily B Bee Award—Tylee K
<b>Year 5</b>	Gold Award—Reece H-R Gold Award—Sienna M Bee Award—Lexi-Rai S	Gold Award—Hollie S Gold Award—Ethan S Bee Award—Layla T
<b>Year 6</b>	Gold Award—Zoubier B Gold Award—Eve P Bee Award—Stephen M	Gold Award—Summer D Gold Award—Ruby N Bee Award—Finley R

