



KESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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The Brain Tumour Charity Cake Sale

Well done to Daisy Turner and her year 5 team, Theo Winkley, Ajay Singh and Joe Parrett, who organised and ran (with the help of Oliver Massey and Mihir Singh) an after school cake sale raising an impressive £343 for The Brain Tumour Charity.

World Book Day Thursday 7th March

We will once again be celebrating World Book Day and the children are welcome to come into school on this day dressed as a character from a favourite book (please note the focus is on books so please avoid characters from films unless they are based on a book). The children will also have an opportunity to share their favourite books with each other and children from another year group. If sending books in please ensure they are clearly named.

Do You Have a Child Aged 2 ½ to 4 Years Old?

Byron Children's Centre will be running a project (Fledglings; stay, play and take some fun away) at Keston for pre-school children and their parents focusing on preparing children for school through activities, crafts and stories. This will take place at the school on a Wednesday morning from 9.15am to 10.45am commencing Wednesday 27th February; this will be a great way to meet with and chat to other parents with children of a similar age.

Lost Property

We have sacks of unnamed uniform. These will be out at parents' evening and will also be available at the end of the school day from Tuesday to Thursday this week. All unclaimed uniform will be disposed of on Friday morning, either to be sold as second hand or placed in recycling bins.

School Fund

Thank you to all those who have contributed to the School Fund so far. A reminder that donations to school fund of £10 for the first child and £5 for any additional children is available to be paid on your parent pay account.

Swimming

Contribution payments for spring term swimming (£14.00) are now on Parent Pay. Please note that your contributions enable us to run this facility for the children; without these payments the pool runs at a loss and cuts have to be made to other areas of the school budget.

A reminder that boys should be wearing lycra swimming trunks; shorts are not allowed. All children require a swimming hat.

INSET Closure

As previously notified Monday 25th February is an INSET Day and the school will be closed to the children.



Croydon Swimming Gala

Well done to the swimming team who competed in the area heats of the Croydon Swimming Gala. The team of 35 children did amazingly well fighting off strong competition to win the Best Overall Girls and the Best Overall School trophies.

Lana Ayliffe	Rebecca Franks	Sophie Langley
Emily Beach	Hollie Gaywood	James Lawless
Emerson Blackwell	Alexander Rasheed	Michael Lloyd
Taylor Brookes	Samuel Powell	Sabella Parkinson
Oliver Holt	Flynn Goldson	Sienna Patel
Lily Croft	Charlotte Goulden	Ellie Price-Harries
Marley O'Gara	Emma Goulden	Violet Stewart
Katie Payne	William Gray	Freddie Talbot
Dylan Cook	Grace Hardcastle	Albie Thomson
George Coote	Jessica Hardy	Theo Winkley
Emily Cowie	Zoe Hardy	Ruby Clower
Dexter Dunleavy	Archie Hutton	

The following children from the team have been selected to compete in the finals in March:

Zoe Hardy	Year 3/ 4 Freestyle
Jessica Hardy	Year 6 Breaststroke
Violet Stewart	Year 5 Backstroke
Rebecca Franks	Year 6 Backstroke
Lily Croft	Year 6 Backstroke
Freddie Talbot	Year 3/ 4 Breaststroke 2nd Reserve
Violet, Jessica, Sienna Patel	Girls medley relay team
Violet, Lily, Jessica, Sienna	Girls freestyle relay team

Football and Netball Squads

The children continue to compete in local area leagues and competitions in football and netball; a full round up of the season will be included in the next newsletter.

Internet Safety – A Reminder

Over the last week or so we have been talking to all of the children about how to stay safe when using the internet. I would ask all parents to continue to discuss this topic with their children and reinforce the message given about not revealing personal information on line. I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents that a number of social media sites have lower age limits of 13 and by allowing children to use these sites whilst in primary school you are exposing them to the possibility of on line dangers including cyber bullying. Parental advice regarding on line safety can be found on the following sites:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>.

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

We are trying to also arrange a talk for parents on this subject and will let you know as soon as we have a date.

Family Woman Day

Thank you to all who attended the recent Family Woman Day which was clearly enjoyed by children and adults alike. Feedback and photos are available to view on the school website. As this was yet again a very oversubscribed morning some parents who would have liked to attend were not able to do so; please remember all parents are welcome to come and spend time with their child in class, this can be arranged directly with the class teacher.



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