



KESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter 2 – October 2019

As usual, it has been a busy start to the new academic year. It is lovely to see so many of you in the morning at the school gate.

Macmillan Coffee Morning and Cake Sale

I am pleased to inform you that the Macmillan coffee mornings for parents and staff, along with the afterschool cake sale, raised a total of £506.91. Our thanks go to Mrs Dorset, Mrs Page and the year 6 children for their excellent organisation and also to the parents who donated cakes for this event.

Curriculum Workshops

A reminder that the KS1 (years 1 and 2) maths workshop will take place on Friday 4th October and the KS2 (years 3 – 6) workshop the following Friday October 11th, both starting at 9.15 am. These workshops are being run to help you support your child with maths at home. Refreshments will also be served.

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.

Parents Evening

Just a reminder that Parents' Evening dates for this term are Tuesday 29th October from 4 pm to 7 pm and Thursday 31st October from 5 pm to 8 pm.

Secondary School Transfer

Year 6 parents should note that all applications for secondary school places must be in by **31st October 2019** – our latest notification from the local authority reflects that a number of parents have not yet completed this form. Please contact Mrs Morgan, in the school office, if you need any help with this.

Woodcote Green Vouchers

A big thank you to all the parents who collected vouchers. We received a gardening voucher for the school for £230 which we will use to buy plants for the KS2 Quiet Area and various pots around the school.



Remembrance Service

As in previous years, the school have a wreath for the Remembrance Day Service and Parade which takes place at St John the Evangelist Church in Old Coulsdon on Sunday 10th November at 10am. If your family are attending this service and you would like your child to lay the wreath on behalf of the school, please contact the school office who will make arrangements for the collection of the wreath with you.

Harvest

Our annual harvest assemblies will take place on Wednesday 9th October. The infant assembly will be at 9.15 in the infant hall and parents from years 1 and 2 are welcome to attend. Nursery and Reception and the junior assemblies will take place during the day with just the children.

The harvest celebration is, as always, an opportunity for our school community to contribute to those in need in the local community; as in the past two years, your donations will be given to the Purley Food Hub which provides food for local people in crisis. They have provided a record number of meals to clients over the summer months - 7,029 from June to August. This charity has been very grateful for the generosity of Keston parents in the past.

The food hub would really appreciate any long-life tins or packets and in particular items from the list below:

Long life whole milk
Small jars of coffee
Jars of 6 months+ baby food
Baby wipes
Tinned meat meals
Tinned potatoes or packets of dried potato
Tinned green vegetables
Tinned tomatoes
Tinned dessert fruit
Squash or long-life fruit juice
Unisex shampoo
Washing up liquid

We would be grateful if you could have a look in your cupboards and send your child in with any donations from Monday 7th October. We will display all the items during our assemblies before they are collected by volunteers from the Food Hub.

Kind regards,



Helen Green
Head of School



