

Keston Primary School



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Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been fantastic to have so many of our children back this week. On the first day we had 97% attendance which is amazing. It is lovely to see our Keston families coming through the gates each day. Thank you so much for your support and kind words - it is very much appreciated.

Please remember to socially distance as much as you can on the playground. I just want to reassure you that the children (and staff) are handwashing and sanitising their hands frequently.

We had our first virtual assembly this morning. There were a few technical hiccups but it was so good to lead a Celebration Assembly after all of this time.

There is a great buzz about school and we are very happy to be back.

All my best wishes,

Helen Green
Head of School



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST LEARNERS!

Early Years, as our newest pupils, joined us for meet the teacher 'Stay and Plays' this week.

We look forward to welcoming them next week for longer sessions and days.



School Street Scheme at Keston Primary School

The implementation of the School Street Scheme in Keston Avenue has been delayed.

Enforcement will begin on 1st October and as a reminder it will apply 8am - 9.30am and 2 - 4pm Monday to Friday during term time. The school street is Keston Avenue from the Coulsdon Road to Court Avenue.

Please treat the surrounding roads with respect as local residents will see an increase in traffic, unless the intended walking to school is taken up.

To help with social distancing, we are operating a one way system when entering and exiting the school grounds. Please enter through the smaller gate and walk into the playground on the path beside the trim trail.

When exiting the grounds please walk along the wider part of the path and exit through the double gate.

From Monday the Nursery gate will be open for Nursery and Reception Parents **ONLY** to enter the site. Everyone else must enter via the main gates.

Everyone, including Nursery and Reception must exit the site through the main gates.



School Fund

I am really sorry to start the school year with a plea for funds but as we cope with the usual rising costs, the additional money spent due to COVID-19 and the cancellation of PTA events we need your support more than ever.

Therefore, we would request donations to school fund of £10 for the first child and £5 for siblings to enable us to purchase extra resources for your children.

This payment can be made on Parent Pay from Tuesday 15th September.

Thank you in advance.



Summer Building and Repair Projects

As an Academy, PACE helped us to apply for funding from the Government CIF Fund. We were pleased that we were successful in our bid.

Over the summer break two projects were completed:

- Replacement of the fence surrounding the junior playground
- Replacement and upgrade of the fire alarm system

During the October half term we hope that the fencing around the Reception outside area will also be replaced.

Twitter

Please join us on Twitter:

<http://twitter.com/kestonprimary>



There are staggered start and end times to minimise children and parents congregating around the school.

It is important that everyone is punctual and tries to arrive as close to their allocated time as possible.

Please also avoid standing at the school gates.

Year Group	Start and Finish
Nursery	9 am – 12 pm
Sessional Care	12 pm – 3 pm
Reception	9 am – 2.50 pm
Year 1	9.10 am – 3 pm
Year 2	8.50 am – 2.50 pm
Year 3	9.10 am – 3.15 pm
Year 4	8.50 am – 3.05 pm
Year 5	9.10 am – 3.15 pm
Year 6	8.50 am – 3.05 pm

Diary Dates

Date	Event
Week Beginning Monday 14th Sept	Nursery and Reception staggered starts.
Friday 18th Sept	All Reception in full time.
Week Beginning 19th Oct	Parent / Teacher Consultations Details to be confirmed
Friday 23rd Oct	Break up for half term
Monday 2nd Nov	INSET Day
Tuesday 3rd Nov	Children return to school.
Friday 18th Dec	Break Up
Mon 4th Jan	INSET Day
Tuesday 5th Jan	Children return to school.

Please ensure you follow the guidelines below with regard to Covid 19.

Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) **SHOULD NOT ATTEND SCHOOL**. They can and should get a test. Tests can be booked online through the NHS testing and tracing for coronavirus website, or ordered by telephone via NHS 119 for those without access to the internet. Whilst waiting for a test and the results, the person with symptoms should self-isolate.

Once you have the results of the test, you must inform us of the result and follow this guidance:

If someone tests negative, if they feel well and no longer have symptoms similar to coronavirus (COVID-19), they can stop self-isolating. They could still have another virus, such as a cold or flu – in which case it is still best to avoid contact with other people until they are better. Other members of their household can stop self-isolating.

If someone tests positive, they should follow the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms and then return to school only if they do not have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste. This is because a cough or anosmia can last for several weeks once the infection has gone.

The 10-day period starts from the day when they first became ill. If they still have a high temperature, they should keep self-isolating until their temperature returns to normal. Other members of their household should continue self-isolating for the full 14 days.

