



Dear Parents,

I can't believe that we're at the end of another academic year with our Y6 moving on to their new secondary schools. We wish each and every one of them every success, wherever the future may take them. We also say goodbye to Freya and George in YR and Samuel in Y2 who are moving to schools nearer to their new homes.

I would like to thank my hardworking and dedicated staff, both teaching and support. I don't always have the time to thank them individually so I would like to take the opportunity to say how much I appreciate them all.

We sadly say "goodbye" to Ms Martin who is off to pastures new. We will miss her boundless enthusiasm and seemingly infinite energy. As well as TA-ing in Y6, Ms Martin also co-ordinated the Keston Bank AND the Y6 JTAs – and always with a smile on her face. We shall miss her!

Thanks too to our wonderful parent helpers who, along with our community volunteers, do so much to enrich the children's lives at Keston.

Thank you to Claire Pool, Kathryn Brock and Angela Waite who work tirelessly running our uniform shop and to the Biederman family who look after the chickens during weekends and holidays.

Thank you to Catherine and Nigel Rose who sort out our lost property and take it home to wash.

Finally I would like to thank Gail Spencer and Lucy Richardson who are standing down as the PTA Chairs. They have both worked so hard over the years helping to raise lots of money for the school and organising fun events for the children. We are however very fortunate to have two new PTA Chairs, Claire Sterry and Rachel Caton and I look forward to working with them next year.

Mrs Suckling, Mrs Davall and I have been given some lovely gifts which we very much appreciate. Thank you!

Awards

The Spike Trophy was presented to YR. Well done.

The Music Trophy was presented to Y1 for their detailed analysis of pitch when learning new songs this week

Gold Awards were awarded to Ronnie (Y1) Luca, Riya, Ben C, Isla, Nikhil, Isabella, Ben R, Tom, Natalie, Lily K and Sienna, Anoushka, Vinnie, Leela, James, Harrison, Max, Poppy and Evie (Y2), Indi, Oliver, Darcy, Sam and Casper (Y3), Zac, and Louie, (Y4).

Platinum Awards were presented to Dolcie and Katie (Y5). Fantastic girls, well done!

I can also report the overall end of year result for House points:

Wilberforce 1939

Caesar 1843

Darwin 1759

Crompton 1691

Congratulations, therefore, to Wilberforce!

Head Boy and Girl Elections

Keston went to the polls recently. Following very impressive campaign speeches delivered by the Y5 candidates to the whole school in assembly, pupils and staff marked their ballot papers to vote for their favourite candidates. What a very hard decision it was! Louis D H and Ophelia were the winners. Congratulations to the winners and to all who took part.

School News

Y6 Isle of Wight Trip

Thank you to Y6 for being fabulous last week in the Isle of Wight. And a big thank you to Ms Martin, Mrs Treharne and Mr Hunnisett.

Room Inspection winners were:

Room 12- Ruben S, Reuben W and Woody.

Room 3-Elicia, Eloise, Grace, Dorina, Livia and Francesca.

Lynne and Diane were so impressed with the rooms that for the first time they gave 2 hotel room prizes to RM 14 Ryan and Ivan and RM6 Nalanda, Isis, Amelia, Charlotte, Lucy P and Abi.

Special mentions go to Woody for being so considerate all week, to Abi for 'having a go' and to Francesca for her bravery.

'Best part was running into the sea with my friends', Lucy P

'The chair lift was brilliant'-Daniel

'I really liked being with my friends'-Nalanda
'Going to the Isle of Wight was extremely fun. I expected it to be sightseeing but it was much more than that. Eloise
'Most of our trips were historical sights. However we also had fun trips like the Robin Hill Country Park'. Ivan

SATS

Well done to YR, Y1 and Y2 for good end of year results but a special mention to Y6 who had amazing SATS results. This is down to the children's hard work all year, commitment from the parents and our Keston Staff. Well done. Their results were well above National in all subjects including greater depth. Well done Y6. I will upload all the results on the school website as soon as I can.

Works over the summer

The current Y5J classroom is being extended to include the group area directly outside the classroom which will make it a fantastically light and spacious classroom.
We will also be having some remedial tree works carried out.

Jamies Gymnastics

During the summer J'amies Gymnastics will be hosting their Saturday morning club in our school hall. This is due to Wickham Common Primary School having building works carried out.

PTA Summer Fair

We raised an amazing £2900 at the summer fair of which £1100 will be put towards a new projector which will be installed over the summer.

Clubs

The autumn term club timetable was sent out earlier this week. Club letters will follow at the beginning of next term. Chess Club for KS2 will now run on a Wednesday and not Monday as previously advertised.

Hugo

We have a future Hollywood Actor at Keston. Hugo (Y6) has just returned from filming in South Africa. He plays the young David in a film called 'Sulphur and White' which is a true story about a man called David. Keep an eye out for it when it's released.

Charity Swim

Ela (Y4) recently swam an amazing 1 mile for charity. Well done Ela.

100% Attendance

Florence, Amelia, Owen and Eden (Y1), Vinnie (Y2), Oliver (Y5J) and Livia (Y6) all had 100% attendance for the whole academic year. What an achievement. Well done! We will decide on a "treat" in September.

Y6 Attendance

Luke, Daniel, Sophie and Charlotte all achieved 99.2% attendance throughout their whole time at Keston. This is an amazing achievement and as a reward I took them all to Air Jump in Orpington on Wednesday where they had a fun time bouncing around for an hour. We then had a delicious Pizza Express lunch.

Summer School

I am delighted that our Summer School has proved to be very popular. I am sure they will all have a fantastic time. Please register and pick your child up from the school hall. Please do not use the staff car park. As the hot weather looks set to continue please apply sun cream before they come and ensure they have a water bottle and a sun hat as well as a packed lunch. Please can the children wear trainers.

Y3 trip to Riverhill Gardens

On Wednesday Y3 went to the Riverhill Himalayan Gardens in Sevenoaks. The children were very excited when a double decker red bus arrived to escort them there.

Some quotes from the children:-

'A sensational trip'-Rhea

'You learn so much from nature and the adventure park was so much fun'.-Indi

'Sea Mosaic was brilliant'-Natalie

'Very informative'-Arabella

Sarah from Riverhill said that Keston were the best Y3 class she had ever had and they were so clever.

Top Up Swimming

Max, Dolcie and Dotun (Y5) took part in Top Up Swimming last week. Max and Dolcie achieved their 25m award and Dotun had a special award for perseverance. Well done to them all and many thanks to Mrs Gatsell for taxiing and supervising.

London Ambulance Service Charity Collection

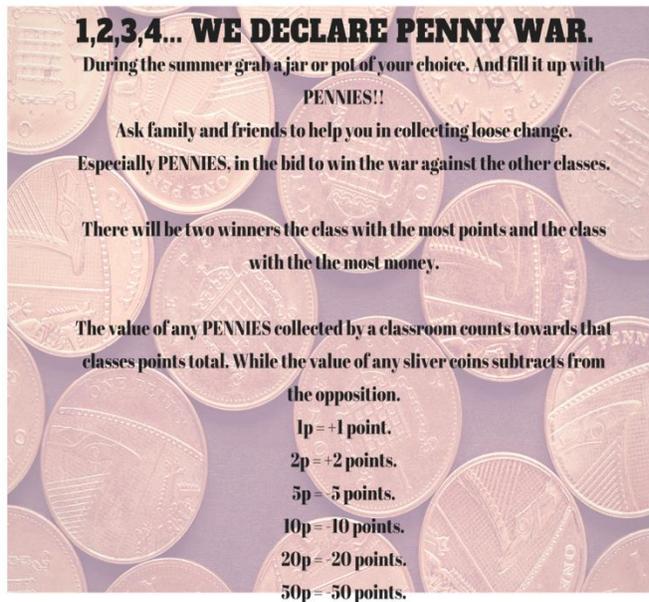
Caitlin, Louis D H and Lily (Y5) recently held a charity collection at the school gates to raise money for the ambulance which was damaged during the World

Cup. They raised an amazing £60.35 and I received a lovely thank you letter from the Chief Executive of the London Ambulance Service. Well done!

Fortnite Game

With the long holidays ahead I thought it useful to attach a flyer titled 'What parents need to know about Fortnite:Battle Royale'. This has been sent to me by National Online Safety.

PTA Penny War for the summer



Sporting News

On Monday 9th July, Eddie, Louis D H and Max Y5 competed in the Individual Athletics Finals at Norman Park. They competed against stiff opposition from mainly Y6 children. They didn't win any medals but they had a great time and were very well behaved. Thank you to Louis' mum for being their team manager.

Community News

Multi-Sports & Football Holiday Camp

Monday-Friday 30th July-30th August 2018

Please see attached flyer for more info.

Try Mini Rugby @ Old Dunstonia RFC

For children in school years 2-7 on Sundays from 10am-12pm starting on 2nd September. See attached flyer for further details.

Wishing you all a fantastic summer break. See you
back on Thursday 30th August.

Julia Evison