



Kew Woods News

Friday 11th September



Meet the Teaching Teams

To keep our community safe, we will not be holding face to face Meet the Teaching Team Presentations for Year 1-6 in school this term. Instead, presentations will be online for parents to access next week. You can access the presentations in the parents section on the newsletter We hope you will find the information useful for your child's year group.

Children's University Passports

This year we will continue to be a part of the Sefton Children's University Scheme. The scheme promotes children continuing their learning outside of the school day. Children can collect credits when they attend learning destinations away from school. A full list of accredited destinations can be found at www.childrensuniversity.co.uk.

The Sefton CU twitter page also has regular details of challenges and events for children in the area that they can access. The children are awarded additional credits for participating in these events. **The rules for Children's University are:**

Learning must be voluntary; Learning must be outside of the school curriculum; Structured learning must take place; Pupils can gain no more than 10 credits per activity, per term; All passport credits must be obtained in a validated Learning Destination and passports are stamped when attended

Pupils who obtain sufficient credits are invited to a special graduation ceremony, in both Years 2 and 6, where their efforts in learning outside of the school day are celebrated.

Children's University Passports are available for £4. If you require a passport for your child, please send the correct amount into school in a named envelope and the school office will issue one.



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ATTENDANCE:

School attendance this week is **96.6%** which is above national average. Well done to classe 6W who had the highest attendance at 100%

Diary Dates:
September

October
26th Half term

November
2nd Term starts

Dinner Menu: 3
(old menu)



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Supporting your Child with Reading

Reading is one of the most important ways parents can support their child at home. The Department for Education have published some tips for supporting your child with reading that you may find useful:

- 1. Encourage your child to read** Reading helps your child's wellbeing, develops imagination and has educational benefits too. Just a few minutes a day can have a big impact on children of all ages.
- 2. Read aloud regularly** Try to read to your child every day. It's a special time to snuggle up and enjoy a story. Stories matter and children love re-reading them and poring over the pictures. Try adding funny voices to bring characters to life.
- 3. Encourage reading choice** Give children lots of opportunities to read different things in their own time - it doesn't just have to be books. There's fiction, non-fiction, poetry, comics, magazines, recipes and much more. Try leaving interesting reading material in different places around the home and see who picks it up.
- 4. Read together** Choose a favourite time to read together as a family and enjoy it. This might be everyone reading the same book together, reading different things at the same time, or getting your children to read to each other. This time spent reading together can be relaxing for all.
- 5. Create a comfortable environment** Make a calm, comfortable place for your family to relax and read independently - or together.
- 6. Make use of your local library** Libraries in England are able to open from 4 July, so visit them when you're able to and explore all sorts of reading ideas. Local libraries also offer brilliant online materials, including audiobooks and ebooks to borrow.
- 7. Talk about books** This is a great way to make connections, develop understanding and make reading even more enjoyable. Start by discussing the front cover and talking about what it reveals and suggests the book could be about. Then talk about what you've been reading and share ideas. You could discuss something that happened that surprised you, or something new that you found out. You could talk about how the book makes you feel and whether it reminds you of anything.
- 8. Bring reading to life** You could try cooking a recipe you've read together. Would you recommend it to a friend? Alternatively, play a game where you pretend to be the characters in a book, or discuss an interesting article you've read.
- 9. Make reading active** Play games that involve making connections between pictures, objects and words, such as reading about an object and finding similar things in your home. You could organise treasure hunts related to what you're reading. Try creating your child's very own book by using photos from your day and adding captions.
- 10. Engage your child in reading in a way that suits them** You know your child best and you'll know the best times for your child to read. If they have special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) then short, creative activities may be the way to get them most interested. If English is an additional language, encourage reading in a child's first language, as well as in English. What matters most is that they enjoy it.

Homework

For the first half term, all homework will be set online using Purple Mash. Logins for your child will be sent home shortly. If your child does not have access to their online homework please inform the class teacher who can support with this.

Information regarding the changing of reading books and the setting of spellings (if appropriate) will be included in the Meet the Teaching Team information that is being shared with parents via the website.



School Dinners

We are starting our new School Dinner choices the week commencing **21st September**. There is a three week rotation and these menus will continue on this cycle until further notice. The menus have been sent home to all children this week. If your child would like a school dinner, please spend time selecting their choices with them and return the menus to school.

Pupils in Reception, Years 1 and 2 are able to access universal, free school meals so there is not a charge for their dinners if selected. They are able to bring in a healthy packed lunch if preferred. For nursery pupils and pupils in KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5, 6) there is a daily charge of £2.25 for school dinners. You may be eligible for free school dinners in these age groups if you apply for Income Related School Dinners. If you received benefits and think you may meet the criteria (listed on Sefton.gov.uk website) please call 0151 934 3263 to apply. If you are eligible, school are able to access additional funding and provide financial support for pupils in other areas.

Please contact the office if you require any support with school dinners.

This Week's Class Dojo Winners

Max	1K
Jacob	1W
Austin, Jacob D & Bryony	2K
Archie	2W
Lucy G	3K
Sophie—Ella	3W
Tyler D	4K
Calum	4W
Logan	5K
Ethan	5W
Louis B	6K
Mikayla	6W