

Key Dates

April 26-28

Year 4
Residential:
Cuffley Camp

May 3

- Parent Information Session: Anxiety
- Induction meeting for new parents (Sep 2017)

May 8-11

Year 6 SATs week

May 16

Parent Information Session: Online Safety

May 25

Music Concert
1:30pm

June 19

Upper Key Stage 2 Production Week

June 26-30

International Week

June 30

Sports Day

July 7

Reports home

July 8

Summer Fayre

July 10

Open Afternoon

July 14

Year 6 leavers assembly

July 17

Move Up Day

July 21

Last day of Summer Term.
Children leave at 1:30pm

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April 26th 2017

Dear families,

The last day of the Spring Term saw our children becoming chocolate detectives as they searched for coloured lolly sticks during the annual PTFAs **Easter Egg Hunt**. This year's finder of the golden stick was Daisy Edwards, who won the chocolate hamper—well done Daisy!

Over the Easter holidays Cool Canvas came down from Bolton and worked their magic on the **Kittens'** outdoor area. The children have been awestruck by the changes and are taking great care of, amongst other delightful new things, their new mud kitchen, workstation, water-play area and sand pit. The company are due to return next weekend to finish Kittens and to finalise the Key Stage One outdoors area.

This transformation has been funded by the Rose Brook estate developers. This has also enabled us to update our computers and internet systems and we hope to also proceed with our plans to build a new changing room and toilet facilities for our older children. Thank you Bloor Homes!

We would also like to thank those of you who responded to our questionnaire regarding joining the **Samuel Ward Academy Trust**. Feedback has been positive with the main questions relating to our admissions policy. This will continue to be a local decision managed by our own Academy and we do not foresee any changes at the present time.

Although it had been hoped that we would be part of the

Trust by May 1st, the announcement of a general election has resulted in an unexpected and unavoidable delay. Whilst we wait to finalise the details, we will continue to work closely with the Trust to ensure that we can continue to offer our children the very best opportunities in the meantime.

Finally, we would like to thank our **Year 6 children** and their families for working so hard and showing such unwavering dedication as we approach the SATs week: beginning May 8th. We know that each and every one of the class will do their very best and we are incredibly proud of their positive attitude and the way in which they are supporting each other. You simply could not ask for more.

Enjoy the Summer Term

Karen Sheargold

Parent Information Sessions

On **Wednesday 3rd May** a Parent Information Session will be held. **Anxiety in Children** will explore symptoms of anxiety and ways of supporting our young

people. On the same day we will be welcoming parents of **new reception children** due to start school in September 2017. As promised, Mrs Fenn-Goode is holding an

Online Safety session for parents on **Tuesday 16th May at 2:30pm**. This is relevant for parents with children of all ages and provides an opportunity to share concerns and to keep each other up to date.



Kedington
Primary Academy

Headteacher: Mrs. K. Sheargold Deputy Headteacher: Mrs. S. Miller

Learning Through Play in Kittens' Class



Uniforms and New Branding

Our new school logo becomes official from **September 2017** and, as a consequence, jumpers and polo shirts will soon be sporting our new Kedington Primary Academy logo:



The new logo will be introduced gradually - as and when clothing is replaced - so **there is no need to replace existing uniforms** and, following feedback on the increasing cost of uniforms, we are pleased to confirm that uniforms will eventually be available through Tesco, as well as our existing supplier: School Uniforms

Plus. New signage, headed paper and an updated website will follow in September 2017.

We hope you will agree that the changes provide a fresh and modern take on the Academy's existing logo and manage to **preserve our past, whilst looking forward to our exciting new future.**

It's Summer!

In addition to charging around the school field and exploring the wildlife area, the successful launch of the Pick and Mix option at lunchtime means the children will soon be able to have picnics outside and it is therefore important that we think about keeping them hydrated and safe from the sun. As a result, please can you make sure your child has a hat, water bottle and sun cream at school, when the temperatures start to rise.

The PTFA are currently fundraising for an outdoors classroom that will provide much needed shelter for the children throughout the day. This is being designed by Cool Canvas and promises to deliver the same 'wow factor' as the newly refurbished Kittens playground. To support our fundraising please pop our Summer Fayre and Race for Life in your diary: **Saturday July 8th.**

Feedback please ...

Your feedback is always appreciated and we do our best to listen and respond to your suggestions to enable us to continue to find ways to further improve our Academy. We would also like to thank you for your generous comments which keeps us all going— especially towards the end of term!

this process. Therefore, with this in mind, we would be grateful if you could spare 10 minutes to go on to the OFSTED website and provide feedback on the Academy. To do so, please click on the following link:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

As you may be aware, we are regularly monitored by OFSTED to ensure that we are continuing to provide an outstanding education to your children. Parent/carer voice is an essential part of



RUN FOREST, RUN!

The amazing Miss Bagshaw and Mrs Darvill have both run marathons over the past month to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital and their fund raising has been further helped by the Academy Council's cake sale.

This raised a staggering £200. Needless to say, we would like to thank you all for your support and generosity and I hope we have inspired you to take part in the PTFA Race for Life and to **get those running/walking shoes on!**