

# Kedington News

## Magical Moments

### Kittens

Our new Kittens have settled into school very well and are confidently getting stuck in! They stayed for lunch for the first time yesterday and today is their first full day.



### Assembly

It has been so good to be able to be together again in assemblies and to sing. We have loved learning our new school song 'We're So Proud of Our School' which reminds us we all have a part to play in making our school a great place to be.



### Year 6

Both Mrs Weaver and I are incredibly proud of how well the Cougars have risen to the challenge of being the oldest in the school and being role models for the younger children. They really are setting a great example and have taken on their whole school responsibilities incredibly well.



### Message from the new Chair of our Local Governing Body

Our thanks to Mark McGuire, who stood down as Chair and as a governor after several years' service. We are very grateful for all he has done to support the school. Our new Chair is Kat Umande.

'I am delighted to be the new Chair of Kedington Primary Academy Governors. I am fortunate to be working with a team of very competent and enthusiastic governors, who are keen to build on the great work that has been achieved so far. We are in the process of recruiting two new community governors. Once they are in position, I will share details of our team with you.

My background is in accounting and finance. I am a chartered accountant, currently working for Cancer Research UK Cambridge Institute as their Operations Finance Manager, where I lead the finance team. I have a daughter at Kedington who is just gone into Year 1 and a son who left Kedington last year.

I am very passionate about children's education and wellbeing and really look forward to being able to be a part of the team helping to ensure all the children here at Kedington achieve the best they can'. Kat Umande



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## Safety

We would like to remind parents/carers to please park responsibly near the school.

Why not park a short walk from the school and enjoy a few minutes walk together, having some fresh air and some time together before the school day?

We would also like to remind you not to cut through the car park or let children run around the car park, in particular at the beginning and at the end of the school day.

## Medical Conditions

We are keen to support any children in school with medical conditions. Please make sure you keep us updated if your child has any medical conditions we should be aware of, such as asthma or an allergy. If they do, unless they are under the care of a specialist and have a Care Plan written by a professional, it is very important that you fill in the Healthcare Plan form that we send out to you. Even if you consider the condition to be relatively minor, this gives us valuable information about any triggers, how severe it is and how best to manage it.

We are happy to give children medicine within the school day if needed (for example if they have antibiotics or need some paracetamol (eg Calpol).

Any short-term medication should be handed over to the office and a form will need to be completed before we can administer it. These are available in the office or you can download and print one off from the [school website](#). Now is a good time to check that inhalers and other medication kept in school are in date.

Please be aware that we don't generally inform parents that their child has used their inhaler unless we have been asked to monitor this. We will of course let you know if they are using it more frequently or we have any concerns.

We try to discourage children from bringing in cough sweets or similar. If they are really necessary, they need to be handed over to the class teacher in the morning. Generally, we limit their use to the beginning of each break time to minimise disruption.

Our policy for supporting children with medical conditions can be found on the school website.

## Catering Supplies

Like many companies, EATS, who supply our school lunches, are having supply chain issues. This means that the kitchen may not always be able to offer what is on the menu and may have to make last minute changes. If this does happen, the wonderful Mrs Cooper will do her best to provide something as similar as she can to the original menu item.

## Coats

We ask that children bring a coat to school every day. This is because we think it is important for children to have a break outside if at all possible so will send them out in light rain. I noticed that lots of children did not have one today, despite the forecast of rain!