

Newsletter 28th June 2019

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Our value: At Kilburn Grange School we put the children at the heart of everything we do in order for them to Learn, Enjoy, Succeed. – Wonder, Enjoy, Collaborate, Aspire, Reflect, Endeavour.

WELCOME TO OUR LATEST NEWSLETTER.

What has been happening?

Kilburn Grange School has been busy, as always, with lots to keep us all occupied as we approach the end of term!

Here are some of the things that have been going on:

- Our Year 3 children took part in a KS2-only community singing concert along with other schools in the borough. KGS children were the youngest children to take part but we think they were the best! The Harmonise concert brought to an end a term of work during which the children composed their own songs and performed solo songs and dances. Well done to Heath and Moor class.



All the children made a huge effort to dress in green on our 'Green for Grenfell' day and the school raised £156 for the charities associated with the tragic events of that day. We are very thankful to those of you who donated funds for the charities.

Our children in all year groups took part in their end of year music concerts and showcased their musical talents. We were treated to a Y2 recorder performance, some songs and dances from Y3's Harmonise performance and a range of songs from all year groups including our choirs. A huge 'thank you' goes to the visiting music teachers and our own teachers and TAs who supported the learning of the songs and the music. Thanks to you also for attending.

Drilling continues outside the school building, on The Terrace, to ensure that pipework underground is secure and will not have any further impact on our dining hall. Once this work has been completed and costs and plans for any internal work have been approved, we can commence the refurbishment of the dining hall. We will continue to keep you informed via newsletter.

As a result of our dining hall being out of circulation, our children now go straight to class to start their learning which begins with 'Early Morning Work' to ensure that they are ready for the day. There is always an SLT member at the gate and one TA in the playground should you need to pass on messages and Ms Thomas, Ms Bibi and Ms Murray are always available to support any queries or make any appointments with teachers.

We have liaised with the school uniform suppliers following feedback from parents and we are now able to offer, for Y3 upwards, a more durable backpack at a cost of £13.99. This will last throughout your child's junior years and will be available from the end of July.

We have a date for our International Food Festival and Summer Celebration! It is July 19th from 2pm – 4pm. Please keep this date free. Further details accompany this newsletter.

Our School Council had a very productive meeting with our Catering Manager, Leigh Ashley. They made suggestions for improvements and enhancements to our menu and we should soon see a 'Build Your Own Burger' day and a 'Meat-Free Monday' following their input.

Congratulations to Ms Konstantina Giachnaki, Sports Coach and PE Specialist at Kilburn Grange School. She is Brent's first winner of the Active School Hero Award, an initiative which recognises primary school staff across London making an outstanding contribution to getting kids moving.

Ms Giachnaki champions physical activity at Kilburn Grange School, engaging children of all abilities. She runs the school football team and several after school clubs teaching a variety of sports ranging from dance and multi skills to fencing. She introduced fencing to the school.

She's an inspiration to us all – well done!

Attend and Achieve

Our average attendance currently stands at 89.2% which is **considerably below** the national average of 96+%. Our attendance has recently been affected by Eid celebrations falling on the day before our INSET day and, even more recently, by chicken pox. We wish all our children and families who have had to deal with the illness a speedy recovery. It is good to see the children coming back.

We will be introducing new strategies for dealing with attendance below 90% and late arrivals in the morning. We will inform you of these in the final newsletter of the year.

Please see the table below for figures:

Class	Attendance
Meadow	96.0%
Pasture	95.9%
Dale	96.0%
Lake	95.7%
Cove	95.1%
Heath	97.8%
Moor	96.7%

End of term – final day: The last day of term will be Tuesday July 23rd at 2:00pm.

Internet Safety: Please read the attached information about Snapchat.

Staffing – You will receive your child's report, information about their attendance and their new class teacher shortly. We will also confirm staffing in the final newsletter of the year.

We will be saying a sad farewell to Ms Koang, our wonderful Y2 teacher. We wish her the best of luck in for the future. We will also be saying goodbye to Ms Aikman who will be having her second child in September and to Miss Jama who will also be leaving us temporarily to have her baby. She hopes to return in September 2020 and we look forward to having her back.

We wish them all the very best with their new paths and their new arrivals.

A few brief reminders:

If you would like to volunteer to help run the event on Friday 19th July, please contact Miss Mallick via the main office, Jennifer Fee (Yr 1 Dale parent and FoKGS Leader) or Mrs Masmoudi (TA). Thank you

We ask that all children wear shoes to school, not trainers. Please ensure that your child has appropriate footwear for school.

Finally, we would like to wish you all a restful and happy weekend

We thank you for your continued support and feedback.

Best wishes from the *Kilburn Grange School* Team.

KEY EVENT DATES FOR THE FINAL TERM

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
<i>Monday 8th July</i>	Report collection afternoon and time to share work with children – 3:45pm – 4:45pm. ALL CLASSES
<i>Thursday 17 July</i>	EYFS Teddy Bears' Picnic for EYFS only.
<i>Tuesday 23rd July</i>	2pm last day of term. Break for the summer holiday.