



New End Primary School
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Newsletter No 1
Thursday, 8th September 2016

Events Next Week

Class Meetings Begin - See
 dates in newsletter
 Fri, 16th NESAs Welcome Class Tea
 3.30pm in KS1
 Playground
 (or Gnd flr hall if
 raining!)

Welcome Back

Welcome to the 2016-2017 academic year at New End. It has been a pleasure to see the children looking so fresh and ready to learn. The staff have been working incredibly hard to ensure that so many exciting things have been going on as I've walked around the school!

Below is a list of New End staff and where you will find them this year:

Karyn Ray Headteacher Alan Girling Deputy Headteacher

Class	Teacher and Additional Staff	Floor
Nursery	Miss Maria Fay Yolande Fearon, Veronica Lopez, Denise Hudson, Anne Bragoli	Opposite Main School Building
RM	Miss Lily Meades Mohammed Malik	Ground Floor
RS	Ms Jasbir Sohal / Miss Siobhan Flack (Thursday) Esma Ince	Ground Floor
1D	Miss Monika Drozd Izzie Allies	First Floor (Formerly 1W)
1K	Mrs Nini Kermani / Miss Siobhan Flack (Friday) Azita Azizi	First Floor
2E	Miss Charlie Elvidge Lucy Kindall	Second Floor
2N	Mrs Laura Nice Pete Davies	Second Floor (Formerly 2M)
3P	Mrs Megan Pye / Mr Regis Peyraque (Wednesday) Lorraine Donovan, Polly Kanaris	Roof
3C	Mrs Arlene Coventry / Mr Regis Peyraque (Friday) Mubeen Tariq, Lorraine Wiggett	Roof
4T	Miss Rosa Thorby Emma Brown, Joy Shudell	Second Floor (Formerly 4K)
4W	Miss Bernadette Warwick Debbie Walberg	Second Floor
5M	Mrs Heidi Meakin / Mrs Sue Ling (Tuesday/Wednesday) Grethe Luton, Mandy Thaine	Roof
5W	Miss Natasha Wilson Emily Everett, Lorraine Stander	Roof
6J	Miss Julie Gage Karolina Bajusova, Louise Irvine	Lower Ground Floor
6S	Mrs Rachel Segal Cheryl Cameron, Louise Irvine	First Floor

Classroom Support	Dominique Habboo	Siobhan Flack (Wed-Fri)
EMA (Ethnic Minority Achievement Grant)		Regis Peyraque (Mon, Tues, Thurs)
SEN Support	Linda Kennedy (Tues-Thurs)	Jane Sedley (Mon-Wed)
Music Teacher	Maria Walker (Mon-Thurs)	
Office Staff	Anna Morris (Bursar)	
	Amanda Connors (Admin Assistant)	
	Zeneath Simon (Receptionist / Admin)	
Premises Staff	Dean Embley	

Year Group Meetings

As part of the school's desire to continue communication with parents, we will be holding a year group meeting to start off the academic year. Year group meetings will provide parents with information about class routines as well as sharing news on the areas of learning being covered during the year. They will also give you the opportunity to meet the adults working across the year group. All meetings will start at 9am in the first floor hall on the following dates so please come along!

Monday, 12 th September	Year 6	Monday, 19 th September	Year 1
Tuesday, 13 th September	Year 5	Tuesday, 20 th September	Reception
Wednesday, 14 th September	Year 4	Tuesday, 27 th September	Nursery
Thursday, 15 th September	Year 3		
Friday, 16 th September	Year 2		

We look forward to seeing you at these meetings.

School Dinner Money Collection

Parents are reminded that ALL CHILDREN in Reception, Year One and Year two are entitled to a FREE SCHOOL MEAL every day. This is part of a government initiative.

Parents are reminded that it is only possible to change from school meals to packed lunch or vice versa at the start of a half term. Any change must be put in writing and HANDED DIRECTLY TO AMANDA IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE. PLEASE DO NOT GIVE THESE LETTERS TO CLASS TEACHERS. Parents cannot change at will - you will be held liable for the charge for school meals if we do not receive notification.

The cost for school dinners is **£2.34** per day. Weekly payment will now be **£11.70**. Parents who wish to pay for the half term will be required to make this payment by Monday, 8th September. The payment for the **half term** will be **£81.90**. This covers from Monday, 5th September to Friday, 21st October. Under the new system, parents are unable to pay for the whole term.

Money should be in a labelled envelope with your child's name, class and the amount inside clearly marked. This envelope should be sent in with your child on Monday to be handed to their class teacher. Cheques should have your child's name and class recorded on the back. Cheques should be made payable to "New End Primary School". Parents can also pay online as per last term. New parents must come to the office to get an activation code if they wish to use this system.

Parents will receive a receipt acknowledging cash payments only. This should take one to two days depending on the number of payments being made. For example, as many parents pay half termly, it may take longer to put all money on the system at the start of a half term.

Please remember that if your child is absent due to illness or brings in a packed lunch for a class trip, you will be credited with the amount in the next term. Parents who choose to pay this way will receive a statement at the end of term so they know if they have any credits.

Attendance

Children must only be absent from school if they are ill. If your child is ill or unable to come into school for another reason, such as a family bereavement or religious observance, please telephone the office to let us know the reason for their absence. The school's telephone number is (020) 7431 0961. If you are unable to telephone, please send a note explaining the reason for the absence.

Appointments with doctors, dentists or at a hospital should be made outside school hours or in the holidays. Where this is not possible, a note or an appointment card must be brought into the school office the day beforehand so that the register can be marked accordingly.

If parents and carers do not provide a reason for the absence, the absence remains unauthorised. This includes lateness after the register closes. If a child has missed a substantial amount of time from school, the Head or Deputy will contact the family. The Education Welfare Officer may also make contact.

Permission for time off during the school term is only granted in **exceptional circumstances**. This does not include early get aways for holidays or holidays in general. Permission must be sought from the Headteacher using an application form which is available from the school office.

New End School Dress Code

New End has a dress code that must be adhered to at all times. Children should always look presentable in age appropriate clothing and be in footwear that is safe. Flip flops are inappropriate for school, even in the hot weather. Wearing clothes with inappropriate messages or slogans that do not support the ethos of the school is not allowed. Jewellery is also not allowed, although stud earrings are permitted. Children who wear inappropriate clothing will be reminded of the school's expectations and asked not to wear the item of clothing again. Parents will also be informed. If this request is ignored and inappropriate clothing is worn again, parents will be informed that their child has been asked to change into their PE uniform.

Please ensure that your child wears sensible clothing and shoes that are appropriate for school. They should be able to dress and undress themselves as we encourage them to look after themselves as much as possible. Please do not send your child in special clothes as, in spite of our best efforts, clothes can occasionally get spoilt. Please take account of the weather each day as your child spends over an hour in the playground during breaks each day. In summer we encourage hats and a coating of sun cream before arriving at school, and discourage bare shoulders and backs. In winter, please ensure that your child has a suitably warm coat and a hat and gloves.

New End has a voluntary school uniform. It consists of:

- ⇒ Burgundy fleece/sweatshirt with school logo
- ⇒ Blue/burgundy polo-shirt with school logo
- ⇒ Grey skirts, shorts, trousers or tracksuit bottoms
- ⇒ Light blue gingham summer dress

The fleeces, sweatshirts and polo-shirts are available from www.yourschooluniform.com or www.tesco.com/ues along with school book bags, rucksacks and baseball caps.

All children must have a **PE kit**. This PE kit consists of:

- ⇒ Burgundy t-shirt with owl motif - These are being sold at drop off and collection time **TOMORROW** outside the school office and next Friday at the class tea.
- ⇒ Black or navy shorts
- ⇒ A change of plimsolls/trainers
- ⇒ Tracksuit during the winter months

Please mark all your child's clothes clearly with your child's name. Children's clothes are expensive. The school cannot be held responsible for lost items but we do our best to find them. This is made easier if the clothes are clearly labelled.

Healthy Packed Lunches and Morning Snacks

We are always making sure that children at New End eat a balanced lunch. Obviously we can monitor the food being served each day from our kitchen, but it is also important that those children having packed lunches are eating healthily too! Eating healthy food helps energise your brain for learning!

So what does a healthy lunchbox include?

The checklist below is based on the food groups from the Balance of Good Health which promotes balance and variety. Parents should ensure that something from each group is included. A healthy lunch gives your child the energy to get through the rest of the day!

- * A good portion of starchy food (eg: wholegrain bap, pitta or chapatti)
- * Plenty of fruit and vegetables (eg: an apple, satsuma, handful of cherry tomatoes or small box of raisins)
- * A dairy food product (eg: individual cheese portion or pot of yogurt)
- * A portion of lean meat, fish or alternative such as an egg or hummus
- * A bottle of water or smoothie

As part of the Healthy School programme we also do not allow crisps, chocolate, cakes, biscuits, flavoured water or fruit drinks at lunchtime. Remember that New End is a totally nut free zone so please ensure that any nut products are not included in packed lunches. (This includes peanut butter!)

So what does a healthy snack include?

A healthy snack can include a piece of fruit, dried fruit, raw vegetables, a sandwich or water. We cannot allow cereal bars as many include nuts! Remember children from Nursery to Reception get free fruit for breaktimes as part of a government initiative.

Parking Dispensation Permits for 16/17

We wish to inform parents that Camden Council has agreed to continue with the policy of reducing dispensation permits for car parking in residential areas in the Borough.

As part of the policy New End have received from the Council a very small number of permits in line with the policy to reduce them to zero. This year the permits are strictly for **15 minutes** and there are separate morning (drop-off) and afternoon (pick-up) permits.

We have been instructed by the Council to give priority, in distributing the few permits we have, to parents of children in reception and nursery classes or to those with specific medical needs. **Due to the restricted numbers, very few, if any, permits will be distributed to parents of children older than reception.**

The criteria for allocating the places was ratified by the governing body and uses the following criteria: 1. Nursery and Reception children living outside Boundary A. (0.5 miles) 2. Children and or parents with a medical need. Documents to support this need will be required. 3. If places remain, permits will be allocated based on distance from the school.

Parents who believe there are extenuating circumstances whereby you believe a permit is absolutely essential, are asked to put their request in writing to the school office **by 9am on Friday, 16th September**. However this will still not guarantee a permit. Please note that parents who had a permit last school year will not automatically receive one this year. **Application forms are available from the office.**

Kidsoosa@New End Breakfast and After School Clubs

Kidsoosa currently have vacancies for both Clubs for Autumn term

Breakfast Club

7:45am till school starts Advance booking £8 per session

Last minute bookings £10 per session

After school club

3:30 pm till 6pm advanced booking rate £14 per session

Last minute rate £17 per session.

For bookings and more information please contact:

Helen Hooper

helen@kidsoosa.com 07908245798

Photographs and Videos

Throughout the year there are many opportunities where teachers take photographs or video important events such as assemblies for use on displays around the classroom and school. These help enrich the learning of the children and ensure that our school environment always looks exciting. **If you do not wish your child to be videoed or photographed, please make an appointment to discuss this issue with me.**

Coffee with Karyn

Coffee with Karyn will continue this academic year. For those parents and carers new to the school or not quite sure how these meetings work, a brief summary follows:

- If you have a general question relating to school organisation or issues, make a note and either email me or leave it in the school office, preferably with your child's name, class and your name. This will allow us to respond to your question if it is not appropriate to deal with it in a meeting.
- The Thursday newsletter before the Coffee with Karyn will briefly list the topics being discussed.
- During the Coffee with Karyn session I will provide brief responses to the topics. If there is a larger issue that requires more time or a topic that many parents want to know about, these will form the basis of the Parents' Briefings which are held termly and run for approximately an hour.
- The following newsletter will have a brief summary of the issues discussed.

The dates for Autumn Term meetings are:

Wednesday, 28th September - 9.15am

Wednesday, 16th November - 9.15am

2015-2016 Dates for your Diary

Sun, 18 th September	Y6 Table Top Sale
W/B 19 th September	Instrumental Lessons begin
Wed, 21 st September	Secondary Transfer Meeting - 9.15am
Thurs, 22 nd September	Secondary Transfer Meeting - 6.30pm
Fri, 23 rd September	Governors' Premises and Environment Committee
Fri, 23 rd September	Year One Class Tea
Wed, 28 th September	NESA AGM / Coffee with Karyn - 9.15am
Thurs, 29 th September	Meet the Parents Secondary Meeting - 6pm
Fri, 30 th September	CSSA Cross Country
Fri, 30 th September	Year Two Class Tea
Sat, 1 st October	NESA International Food Fair
Fri, 7 th October	Year Three Class Tea
W/B 10 th October	Open Classroom Sessions - 9.15-9.45am - more to follow
Fri, 14 th October	Year Four Class Tea
W/B 17 th October	Parent-Teacher Meetings
24 th - 28 th October	Half Term
Tues, 1 st November	4-6pm CSSA Football begins (for 14 weeks)
Wed, 4 th November	Star Assemblies
Fri, 4 th November	Melissa Dando and Josie Holloway's Retirement Assembly
Fri, 4 th November	Year Five Class Tea
Wed, 9 th November	Governing Body Meeting
Fri, 11 th November	Year Six Class Tea
Wed, 16 th November	Coffee with Karyn - 9.15am
Fri, 18 th November	Nursery Class Tea
Sun, 20 th November	NESA Winter Fair
Fri, 25 th November	Reception Class Tea
Fri, 2 nd December	NESA Class Tea
Tues, 13 th December	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Fri, 16 th December	Last Day of Autumn Term - 1.30pm finish
19 th Dec - 2 nd January	Christmas Holidays
Tues, 3 rd January	INSET DAY
Wed, 4 th January	Children return for the start of the Spring Term
Wed, 1 st February	Governing Body Meeting
13 th - 17 th February	Half Term
Tues, 21 st February	CSSA Football Playoffs
Tues, 28 th February	CSSA Football Finals
Fri, 31 st March	Last Day of Spring Term
1 st April - 17 th April	Holidays
Tues, 18 th April	Children return for the start of the Summer Term
Thurs, 20 th April	CSSA Swimming Gala
May	KS1 (Y2) Testing Period
Mon, 1 st May	School Closed - Bank Holiday
Thurs, 4 th May	School Closed - INSET Day / Polling Day
Mon, 8 th - Fri 12 th May	KS 2 / Year 6 SATs
Tues, 9 th May	CSSA Y3/4 Football
Wed, 10 th May	CSSA Y3/4 Football
Wed, 10 th May	Governing Body Meeting
Tues, 16 th May	CSSA Y3/4 Football Finals
Tues, 23 rd May	Year Six School Journey Meeting - 6.30pm
29 th May - 2 nd June	Half Term
5 th - 9 th June	Year Six School Journey
Thurs, 8 th June	CSSA Football Tournament
Fri, 9 th June	CSSA Football Tournament
W/B 12 th June	Year One Phonic Screening
Wed, 14 th June	CSSA Cricket
Tues, 20 th June	CSSA Athletics
Wed, 5 th July	CSSA Rounders
Wed, 5 th July	Governing Body Meeting
Fri, 21 st July	Last Day of Academic Year - 1.30pm finish
Mon, 24 th July	INSET Day

DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE - OFTEN BY OUTSIDE FORCES!

IF A DATE CHANGES OR A NEW DATE

DID YOU KNOW?

Once again during the academic year, Year 4 will take part in Camden's "Wider Opportunities Music Scheme". This means that all children in Year 4 will learn recorder in class alongside their class teacher! Rosie Reed, our woodwind teacher, and Maria Walker, our class music teacher, will lead the project. We will keep you updated on the children's progress!

NESA AGM

All parents and carers become members of NESA once their child is enrolled at New End. The annual AGM will be held as part of Coffee with Karyn on Wednesday, 28th September. Please come along to learn about the role NESA plays at New End, how we raise and spend funds for the school and how you can become more involved as a committee member or class rep. We hope to see you there. **NESA Class Tea dates are listed in the Dates for your Diary section.**

Secondary Transfer Meetings

Parents with children in Year Six will soon have to make decisions about secondary schools for next September. We will be holding two meetings to discuss the move into secondary school on Wednesday, 21st Sept at 9.15am and repeated on Thursday, 22nd Sept at 6.30pm. Parents of children in Year 4 and 5 who will have to make decisions in the next year or two may also find it useful to attend.

We are also holding our Meet the Parents evening on Thursday, 29th September from 6 to 7pm. Parents from all year groups can come and ask questions from a friendly semi-circle of up to 12 parents and children from Achland Burghley, Hampstead, Haverstock, Parliament Hill and William Ellis schools. This is a really useful way of getting down-to-earth information about the secondary schools on our doorstep. We hope to see you there.

School Clubs

A note detailing all clubs will be sent out on Monday. Forms must be returned by 9.30am on Thursday, 15th September. Parents will be informed by Wednesday, 21st at the latest of the clubs their child has a place in with payment due by Friday, 23rd. Clubs will commence the W/B 26th September. **PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ALL CLUBS MUST BE PAID FOR IN FULL BEFORE YOUR CHILD CAN START. IF THERE IS AN ISSUE WITH PAYMENT, YOU MUST SPEAK TO MS RAY BEFORE SIGNING UP.**

Internet Usage

As part of the National Curriculum, children from Nursery to Year Six complete Computing and Digital Literacy activities. At times the schemes of work require that children access the Internet to download specific information. The Internet is becoming an increasingly important tool to support learning in the classroom. As a school we use the borough Intranet that has a firewall to ensure the safe use and to limit access to any inappropriate sites. **If you do not wish your child to use the Internet this academic year, please contact me ASAP to discuss this matter further.**

Medicines in School

Just a reminder that as a school we should not be administering medicines to children. This includes calpol, cough sweets, etc which are NOT ALLOWED in school. We are allowed to keep and administer asthma pumps, epipens and eczema cream. **If children require medicine, then they are not well enough to be in school.** Thank you for your ongoing support.

Electronic Newsletter

Parents and carers are reminded that a copy of the newsletter can be sent electronically if preferred to a paper copy. **We are trying to cut down on paper and from Autumn Term 2017 we will be going down a paperless system whereby all newsletters and whole school notes will be sent electronically and uploaded onto the school website, so it would be great to see more parents taking up this option now!** If you wish to receive the newsletter electronically, just email me at: head@newend.camden.sch.uk and I will add you to a year group list. Unless I hear otherwise, I will keep sending emails to those parents who requested the newsletter in this format last year. Parents on this list will also receive information by email about short notification when the school has to be closed (e.g. inclement weather causing sufficient staff not being able to get into school, dangerous condition of playground / building, etc). If you would like your name to be added to this list but still want to get a paper copy of the newsletter each week, just drop me an email. **Please remember that the contact details that you share with the class reps are not passed to the school and vice versa under the data protection act - If you haven't given me your email address, I don't have it!** The weekly newsletter is always available on the school's website if you misplace your copy - www.newend.camden.sch.uk

Lost Property

The system for lost property is changing! New End collects a sizeable collection each week which creates such a mess in the building! Needless to say, the majority of clothes do not have any name labels which would allow us to return them to their rightful owners. **Please ensure that all your child's property is labelled!** From this week, school councilors will return any labelled property to their owners on a Friday afternoon. Any uncollected and unnamed property will be bagged up at 9.15 the following Monday. Any items lost which remain uncollected the following week will be sent to charity.

And Finally

Staff would like to thank all children and parents for their wishes, cards and gifts at the end of last academic year - they were very much appreciated.

Karyn Ray Headteacher

PS The **absolute** last day to return holiday projects is Monday, 12th September. Projects received after this date will be held until the next project return in January.