



MARJORY KINNON NEWS

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Headteacher Update

Dear Parents & Carers

Thank you for all your support this year.

We have let you know which teacher your child will have next year and you will have an opportunity to meet them in September.

I do hope you have a fun and safe summer break.

Key Dates

Summer Term

Last Day of Term: Wednesday 24th July 2024 *Pupils finish at 1pm*

Autumn Term

'Meet the teacher day': Thursday 5th September 2024

First Day of Term: Friday 6th September 2024 - *Pupils return to school*

INSET Training Day: Monday 7th October 2024 - *School closed for pupils*

Half-term: Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November 2024

Last Day of Term: Friday 20th December 2024 *Pupils finish at 1pm*

Spring Term

First Day of Term: Monday 6th January 2025 - *Pupils return to school*



Summer Term Events

Event	Date	Time	Venue
Secondary Performance of 	Tuesday 16th July	1.30pm	Hall
	Wednesday 17th July	1.30pm	Hall
Outdoor Play and Learning Stay n Play Event 	Tuesday 23rd July	3-4pm	Playground

BEHAVIOUR POLICY

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June 2024

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The document is reviewed annually by the school and by the Governing Body and published on the website. If parents would like to comment on the policy, please email your feedback to office@marjorykinnon.hounslow.sch.uk.

#Hounslow Dragons Den

We are excited to share that our LS2 students competed in the Hounslow Council's Dragons Den competition and won!

The event was organised by Social Enterprise Academy Schools who asked schools to showcase their enterprise ideas.

MKS pupils met the Leader of the Council, Mr Shantanu Rajawat and Councillor Lily Bath.



The school won £100 to go towards the development of their concept - a range of chocolates wrapped in recycled packaging. Monies raised from the sales of the chocolates will be used for planting beech and chestnut trees - known for their importance in local biodiversity.



Our Local Authority Governor, Catherine Olson, in her role as a London Borough of Hounslow Senior Careers Advisor, sent her congratulations to Mr Gowes (AHT KS4) on the success of the Year 7, 8 and 9 group who pitched their social enterprise concept:

"Well done on first place! This project will have provided the students with the opportunity to think about a brief, develop a social enterprise concept and follow the process; through this activity the students will have gained employability skills such as understanding a brief, how to designate roles and responsibilities in a team, develop marketing ideas and present an idea to an audience".

Duke of Edinburgh Award Trip

Some of our students have just taken part in an expedition to complete their Duke of Edinburgh award. Our trip was to Paccar Scout Camp in Chalfont St Peters. To complete the Award, pupils have to complete 4 sections as follows:

- ♦ Physical (for 6 months)
- ♦ Volunteering (for 3 months)
- ♦ Skills (for 3 months)
- ♦ Plus the expedition



If students are unable to complete the whole award, they still receive certificates for the parts of the award they have completed.

To complete the expedition there are different steps to achieve. Here are a few:

1. Being part of a team

2. Completing 6-hours of activity each day



3. Following a planned route using maps ↓



4. Putting our tents up and helping to set up camp →



Duke of Edinburgh Award Trip

5. Preparing and cooking our food ↓



Students were responsible for washing up and keeping the camp clean and tidy, and helping to load and unload the mini bus.

Parents can expect to see their child develop in the following areas as they do the DofE programme:

- ♦ Initiative and a sense of responsibility
- ♦ Leadership and teamworking skills
- ♦ Forming new friendships
- ♦ A real awareness of their strengths
- ♦ Problem solving, presentation and communication skills
- ♦ Learning from and giving to others in the community
- ♦ A sense of identity
- ♦ New talents and abilities
- ♦ The ability to plan and use time effectively
- ♦ Self-belief and self-confidence

We are very proud of the amazing group who went away on the trip. Some experienced being away from home for the first time and had to acclimatise to a completely new environment.

To achieve an Award young people must show persistence, commitment and personal development. For some completing their sections and giving up their own time has been challenging but they have persevered and achieved this.

They took on new challenges, always smiling and having fun. WELL DONE !

To Primary Parents

Your child in Primary receives free school meals automatically, for which you currently do not need to apply.

However, did you know, if you are eligible for **benefits-related** free school meals but you have not registered - you and the school may be missing out on other benefits such as:

- ◆ A free place (including a free hot meal) at a Holiday Club funded by the Government and run by the council. Each child is entitled to:
 - ◆ 16 hours during the Easter break.
 - ◆ 64 hours during the summer.
 - ◆ 16 hours during the winter break.
- ◆ School uniform grants.
- ◆ Free milk from CoolMilk for your child each school day.
- ◆ Food shopping vouchers during the holidays (up to £195 per child, per year) may be available through the Household Support Fund.
- ◆ And the school will receive additional Pupil Premium **funding up to £1,300 per child**. That's extra money to spend on enrichment activities, teacher development and targeted support for the children that need it most.

It costs nothing to apply, so why don't you try it and see what you are entitled to. You can check your eligibility for free school meals [here](#).

Apply [here](#) for free school meals on the London Borough of Hounslow website. If you would like help to register, please contact [Rochelle McIntyre](#), Family Support & Community Outreach Worker.



Healthy School Initiative

Due to the high number of pupil allergies and the vulnerabilities of our special needs children, we would like to ask parents who wish to bring in something to celebrate their child's birthday, not to send in birthday cake, sweets or party bags with food in them.

We would be very happy for you to **send a book** - of a similar value to a cake - as a birthday treat that can be read to the children.

You would be supporting us with our Healthy School initiatives and our School Development Plan targets to improve reading and engagement with books.

We would also like to remind Parents and Carers that **MKS is a nut-free school**.



STAY & PLAY

23rd July 2024

3-4pm

**Marjory Kinnon School
Playground**

Please email to confirm your attendance:
office@marjorykinnon.hounslow.sch.uk

Parents are invited
to come along and
join in the fun !

JOIN US

Due to funding constraints, the school will not be running an in-school summer holiday Play Project this year. Parents who receive HAF vouchers will be able to use them for other programmes running across the borough and information on what is on offer for children with an EHCP is available through the [Short Breaks](#) service.

There will be no Summer Fayre this year as we now hold a regular Christmas Fayre.

We would however like to invite parents to a **Stay & Play** event as part of our school improvement initiative for outdoor learning (as mentioned in spring term Newsletter).

Work is ongoing in the car parks to improve safety for all users.

We are introducing additional speed reducing humps and new signage.

Line markings in the Visitors Car Park will be refreshed and extended.

Please support us with car park safety by respecting the 5mph speed limit when driving into school, particularly at peak times. The speed limit is there to protect our vulnerable children - many of whom do not have road safety awareness.

SAFETY IN THE CAR PARK

**Our Kids Are
Counting on You!**

**Practice Safe
Drop Off & Pick Up**

**Don't
RUSH
Safety**



Whilst MKS passes on information about events and services for families from the Local Authority and other providers in the community, this is general information only and does not constitute formal advice or a recommendation on the appropriateness of the events/services for your child. Families seeking to use or access a service or provision are responsible for undertaking their own checks to determine the suitability and fitness for purpose of that service and provision, as well as to ensure that the service has adequate policies and procedures in place including child protection and for the safeguarding and wellbeing of children and young people.



Whether you're trying to find information, or seeking help and advice. Hounslow Council is making sure you can find the right solution, closer to home.

There will be community and council-led services at the hubs.

Brentford Community Hub

Free

In person



The Community Hub is at Brentford Library every Friday 10am - 2pm.

Hounslow Community Hub

Free

In person



The Community Hub is at Hounslow House every Monday 10am - 1pm.

Feltham Community Hub

Free

In person



The Community Hub is at Feltham Assembly Hall every Tuesday 2pm - 5pm.



Live Well. Feel Better. Enjoy Life.

Want to lose weight, become more active or stop smoking?

YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO IT ALONE!

Healthy Hounslow offers a variety of FREE services for Hounslow residents to help create healthier, happier futures.

FREE TRAINING SESSIONS - [HEALTHY HOUNSLOW](#)

The Local Authority run free parent workshops across the London borough of Hounslow for parents and carers.

- ◆ Get in touch to hear more about how the services work and how we can help families lead a healthier lifestyle.
- ◆ We understand each family has their own challenges when it comes to behaviour changes.
- ◆ So we talk about a wide-range of topics, which include how to encourage children to try new foods, and making healthier breakfast choices.

Want to find out when the next workshop is?

Get in touch at hello@healthyhounslow.co.uk



Measles – Hounslow upgraded to Level 3 status

The following information is provided by the Hounslow Public Health Officer for Children & Young People following an increase in measles cases locally:

Cases of measles are continuing to rise in London. As a result, UKHSA London has now designated all eight boroughs in North West London (Harrow, Brent, Hillingdon, Hounslow, Ealing, Westminster, Kensington and Chelsea and Hammersmith and Fulham), as well as Wandsworth, Lambeth and Enfield to be at level 3 transmission for measles. This escalation level is based on increasing case numbers, evidence of higher transmission and the capacity within Health Protection Teams to ensure the most vulnerable contacts are identified and protected.

Parents and carers are asked to check if their child has had two doses of the NHS MMR vaccine which offers long-term protection. If they are not sure, or if their child isn't fully vaccinated, parents are advised to contact their GP practice to check and book an appointment.

If your child is experiencing symptoms that could be measles, the advice is to stay at home and call your GP or NHS 111 for support, rather than visiting the surgery or A&E to avoid spreading the disease further. Children who are suspected to have measles should not attend school or anywhere else where they may be in contact with other children.

If you have any questions or require further information about childhood immunisation, please contact Hounslow Council's Public Health Team at publichealth@hounslow.gov.uk.



The London Borough of Hounslow provide breaks for children with disabilities and their carers. These breaks can be for a few hours, half day, full day or overnight.

The aim is:

- for the child to have fun.
- enjoy educational activities as well as leisure or therapeutic activities.
- to let carers take a break from their responsibilities. We aim to improve the quality of life for families particularly if they feel they are in crisis or experiencing difficulties.

A short break is an enjoyable and fun activity for your child to do after school or on the weekends or during the school holidays. Children take part in either one to one or group activities, giving the carer a break to carry out other activities.

The short breaks on offer provide a mix of different activities for children and young people up to the age of 18. Siblings are welcome to join in.

Short Breaks for Disabled Children

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of Hounslow**

Go to the LBH Shortbreaks website to see the timetable of activities for the school holiday so that you can plan activities for your children.

To book onto a short break please call 020 8583 3636 or email:

shortbreaks@hounslow.gov.uk

<https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/shortbreaks>