## KENN C OF E NEWSLETTER

September 2025

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October Forest School Year 6/5

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October Parent Consultations 1:15pm -6:30pm

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October Parent Consultations 1:15pm -6:30pm

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October, Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov, Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Nov, Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov Forest School Year 5

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 9:15am Harvest Celebration at the church

Week beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> - Half Term break

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Staff inset day. Pupils return to school on Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Nov

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 9:15am- Parent Forum



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### A Sensational September



#### Welcome Back!

We're so pleased to share our first monthly newsletter with you all. It's been a joy to spend time at Kenn with the children and the team, taking a moment to reflect on the many successes of the summer – and to look ahead with excitement to the year to come.

Thinking back to the summer term, the school has so much to celebrate. One particular highlight for me was watching the brilliant Annie performance, where our oldest pupils brought the school community together at the Kenn Centre. It was a fantastic show, full of talent and teamwork.

At Kenn, we're incredibly passionate about the performing arts, and we're excited to build on this in 2025/26. We're already focusing on our singing in assemblies – which is sounding more beautiful every week! – and we're looking at how we can continue to offer a wide range of creative experiences, from art and dance to performance. We have an exciting year ahead.

Another highlight was the children's involvement in We Are Ivy Week, where they gave back to the community through thoughtful and practical contributions – from serving cream teas to litter picking. What a brilliant initiative, and one we're delighted to continue this year.

The children also took part in the Ivy Music Festival and the Ivy Olympics, both of which brought children from across the Trust together to share in something magical and memorable.

As we look back on such a wonderful summer term, I also want to take a moment to thank our amazing parent community. Your support has made a huge difference — from raising funds and encouraging your children to take on new challenges, to helping us improve our school environment. Our EYFS outdoor area is really developing, thanks to the generosity of Ayesha, Jillian, Chris, and all the other parents who have given their time and energy to essential fundraising efforts.

A special thank you as well to our Year 6 parents, who raised an incredible £850 for the school. This generous donation has enabled each class to purchase much-needed resources, books, and equipment to enhance learning for all children.

Kenn is a truly special community, and I'm excited about all that we will achieve and enjoy together this year.

Warm wishes,

#### **Lorraine Curry**









## Annie performance





**Ivy Olympics** 



We Are Ivy Week









# Women's Rugby World Cup Quarter Final

Some of our pupils recently had the fantastic opportunity to visit Sandy Park to watch the thrilling World Cup rugby match between New Zealand and South Africa, alongside pupils from Cockwood Primary School. It was an unforgettable experience – full of energy, excitement, and great sportsmanship – and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who took part. We'd also like to offer a huge congratulations to the England team for winning the trophy this weekend – what a brilliant achievement!



Class 4 recently took part in an amazing drumming workshop, where every pupil got involved. The whole class worked together, learning to practise rhythm, build coordination, and develop their musical skills in a fun, energetic setting. It was a brilliant experience for both the children and the adults involved. A huge thank you to everyone who helped make this possible – your support brings these enriching opportunities to life!









### **Attendance**

Attendance at school every day is essential. Poor levels of attendance can have a negative impact upon pupil learning and we would hugely appreciate the support of all parents across the school to ensure that pupils are in school learning. Please try to avoid booking appointments within school hours. We appreciate that on occasion this cannot be avoided. If you do require time off during school hours, then please share any proof of medical appointments with the school office or ask in the office for a S2 form which needs to be completed for all other planned absences.

Attendance for September 95.8% Our target is 97%





School Council



Here is our wonderful
School Council, who
will be working together
to try to improve our
school and support
others in the community.
We have a brilliant year
ahead!

### **Harvest**





We are very excited to welcome you to our Harvest Service at St Andrew's Church on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, where we will be sharing a lovely mix of Harvest-themed poems, songs, and readings. Please bring your child directly to the church rather than to school. The doors will open for children from 8:50am, and staff will be on hand to settle and organise them before the service begins at approximately 9:15am. If you are unable to stay for the service, please let a member of staff know when you drop your child off. Children attending Breakfast Club will be taken to the church in the school minibus. All children should wear their smart school uniform, and if anything additional is needed, their class teacher will inform you. After the service, we kindly ask parents to drive their child back to school. Children whose parents are not attending will return to school by minibus. Please note that, due to strict health and safety guidelines, we cannot allow other parents to transport children who are not their own. Thank you for your support—we look forward to celebrating this special event together. We will be collecting donations for St Petrock's in Exeter, so please bring these along to the service.

'Sowing Kindness, Courage and Faith so that all can Flourish' Matthew 13 1 – 9 'The seeds planted in God's good ground became strong and tall'.





## End of Key Stage 2 results Summer 2025

We're incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils, who did exceptionally well in their statutory assessments, with results arriving in July. The children exceeded the national figures in all areas, which is a fantastic achievement and a reflection of their hard work and determination. Our Year 4 pupils also performed brilliantly in the Multiplication Tables Check. An impressive 68% of the children scored full marks, compared to the national figure of 38%. A huge well done to all the pupils—and a heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported them, both in school and at home. Your encouragement and dedication truly make a difference.

Kenn	Reading	Writing	Maths
Expected Standard	94%	81%	88%
Greater Depth	56%	13%	44%
National Expected Standard	75%	72%	74%

### Our school prayer

### Dear God,

Thank you for the joy we feel when we show *Kindness* to each other at Kenn Church of England Primary School.

Sorry for when we don't have *Faith* in one another or ourselves. Let us show belief in ourselves, trust in others and faith in the world around us. Please help us to have the *Courage* to try new and different things and be the best that we can be. Please help us to learn from our mistakes and make the right choices whenever we can.

Amen

