



Knebworth Primary School Newsletter

4th September 2026

A message from the Headteacher

Welcome Back

A very warm welcome to the new academic year at Knebworth Primary School! I hope you have all had a lovely summer break and have enjoyed the opportunity to relax, spend time together and make some wonderful memories with family and friends.

There is always something special about the beginning of a new school year. The school feels full of energy and excitement as we welcome back familiar faces and prepare for all the opportunities, challenges and adventures that the year ahead will bring. To all our returning children and families, it is fantastic to see you again. To those families who are joining our Knebworth community for the first time, a very special welcome to you. We are delighted that you have chosen to be part of our magical school and hope that you will soon feel very much at home. Every child has their own unique strengths and talents, and we are excited to see them flourish, grow in confidence and achieve throughout the year. It is a real privilege to be part of each child's learning journey and to watch them discover new interests, overcome challenges and celebrate their successes along the way.



A little about me!

For those of you who don't know me well, the children will tell you that I am a huge Harry Potter fan! I am also a very keen tennis fan, with Rafael Nadal being my favourite player. When I'm not at school, I enjoy travelling, photography, long walks, reading and, of course, spending time with family and friends. I also have some exciting personal news to share – I recently became engaged over the summer! I shared the news with the children during our first assembly back on Thursday, and there have been so many lovely congratulations from children and parents. It has been incredibly kind and thoughtful of you all. Of course, some of the children have already been asking the important questions – *Will you be getting married at school?* and *Will we be invited?* I think I will keep you all guessing for now... watch this space! You will often find me out on the playground in the mornings and some afternoons, so please do come over and say hello.

School Safety Update

Hopefully, many of you will have had the opportunity to read the information email sent yesterday. If you have not yet had a chance to do so, please do take a few minutes to read through it, as it contains some important information for our school community. At Knebworth, the safeguarding, wellbeing and happiness of our pupils are at the heart of everything we do. The changes outlined in the email have been carefully considered and introduced to further strengthen the safety, wellbeing and positive experience of everyone within our school community. By working together and maintaining open communication, we can continue to provide an environment where every child feels safe, supported and valued, giving them the very best opportunity to learn, grow and thrive. Thank you, as always, for your continued support, understanding and cooperation.

Home-School Partnership

At Knebworth, we believe that education is a partnership between school, home and the wider community, and we are incredibly proud of the strong relationships we have with our families. Your support and involvement play an important part in your child's success, and we value open communication, honesty and working together. If you have any questions or concerns about your child, their Class Teacher should always be your first point of contact, as they have the best day-to-day understanding of your child, their learning and



their experiences in school. By working closely together, we can ensure that every child has the support and encouragement they need to reach their full potential – not only academically, but also socially and emotionally. Please never hesitate to speak to your child's Class Teacher if there is anything you would like to discuss or if you have any concerns. We are always happy to listen and work with you to find the best way forward for your child.

Knebworth School Values

This week, staff across the school have been reminding children about our three school values: **Respect, Responsibility and Resilience**. These values are at the heart of life at Knebworth, and our children know how important they are in helping us to create a happy, safe and successful school community. Our school values are not just for our children – they apply to all of us. Whether you are a member of staff, a parent, carer or part of our wider school community, we all have a responsibility to model the behaviours and attitudes that we expect from our children. Being part of the Knebworth community, whether through working at the school or having a child who attends, means embracing and demonstrating our shared values. By showing Respect, Responsibility and Resilience in the way we communicate and work together, we provide our children with positive role models and help to create the kind of school community that we can all be proud to be part of.

Birthday Books

Thank you to Lorelle and Giovanni in Nadal Class for donating such magical Birthday Books to the school – we cannot wait to read and explore these. What wonderful books to have been chosen for the very first Birthday Books of the new school year!



Welcoming New Members to the Knebworth Team

This September, we are delighted to welcome several new members to the Knebworth Team. Miss Sandon has joined our Teaching Team and is teaching Kahlo Class. She has thoroughly enjoyed meeting the children and their families during home visits this week and is looking forward to getting to know the class even better as the year gets underway. Miss Sands has also joined our Teaching Team and has spent the last two days getting to know the children in Coelho Class. She has thoroughly enjoyed her first few days and is already settling into life at Knebworth. We have also welcomed Miss Garrad, who has joined us as an Inclusion Assistant and is working with Zephaniah Class, and Miss Adesakin, who is supporting Henson Class as their Inclusion Assistant. We are so pleased to have them all as part of our team and look forward to seeing them become part of our wonderful Knebworth community. Please join us in giving them a very warm welcome!

Here's to a Magical Year Ahead

As I end the first newsletter of a new school year, I would like to thank you all for entrusting us with your child's education. We are so thrilled to work with you and your children throughout this year and to make it one filled with growth, joy, success and of course magic!

Have a lovely, restful weekend everyone and I look forward to seeing many of you at the Years 1 to 6 Meet the Teacher sessions over the next week.

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Best Wishes,
Miss Bains

