

Keyworth Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 15th November 2024

Term Dates 2024-2025

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School Holidays	INSET Days	Tutorial Day	Bank Holidays
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Important dates for your diary

Event		Class assemblies	
14.10.24	Year 5 parent workshop	16.10.24	6MM
17.10.24	Year 3/4 parent workshop	23.10.24	2PH
21.10.24	Year 6 parent workshop	20.11.24	6CS
06.12.24	Winter fair	27.11.24	4AB
11.12.24	Christmas lunch		
13.12.24	Enterprise fair		
16.12.24	Years 4, 5 and 6 Christmas performance at 9:10am		
17.12.24	Years 1, 2 and 3 Christmas performance at 9:10am		
18.12.24	Reception Christmas performance at 9:10am		
19.12.24	Little Stars and Nursery Christmas performance at 9:10am		
19.12.24	Class parties		

Celebrations

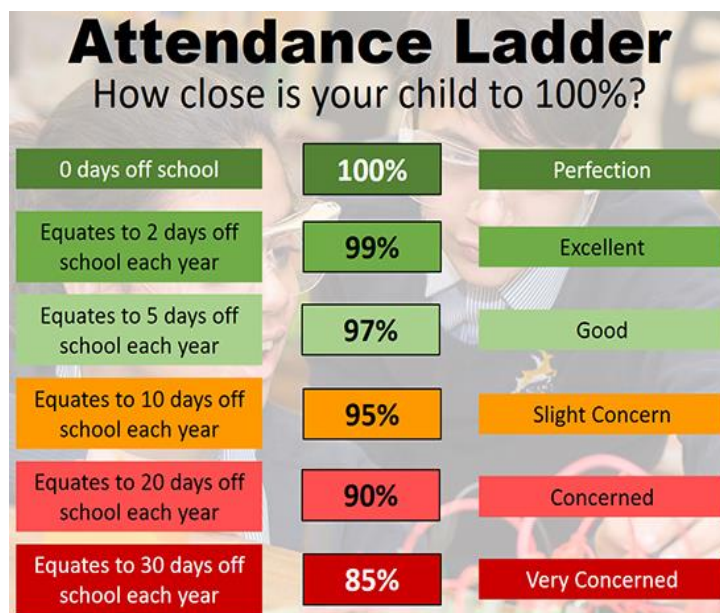
Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week	Presenter of the Week
Pearls	Gabriel	Matteo	Kylan	Abdellah	-
Opals	Sylvie	Emiola	Zarah	Zoe	Ayyoub
Moonstones	Ali	Fatima	Bethania	Ethan	Tanzil
2PH	Benyamin	Jolade	RoRo	Anna	Savannah

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week
3EB	Ryan	Ellie	Tajay	Reuben
3GC	Shahid	Eliyeen	Davena	Yasmina
4AB	Isabelle	Nate	Zack	Alan & Munira
4HE	Sebastian	Jayda	Manha	Luky
5AA	Teddy	Eymen	Zarah	Jahmorei
5BH	Denzel	Othniel	Yahya	Samet
6CS	Maxi	Lucas	Francis	Anas
6MM	Naiyah	Uke	Tyler	Azra

This week's gem winners are....	Sapphires
This week's treasure chest winners are...	Opals 4HE
This week's healthy lunch winners are...	

Attendance

Class	Attendance
Pearls	98.96
Opals	97.92
Moonstones	88.54
2PH	97.73
3EB	99.04
3GC	90.28
4AB	93.33
4HE	90.00
5AA	94.12
5BH	93.06
6CS	99.00
6MM	94.23
Whole school	93.09
School average (year)	94.5%
National average (year)	92.8%
School target	96%



This week's attendance winners are 6CS

Classes with the best attendance this term so far...

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
6CS 98.67%	2PH 98.32%	3EB 97.86%

Latest News

Attendance update

As you will know, a child's level of attendance to school directly impacts their academic performance, wellbeing and future successes - **the better a child's attendance the better they will achieve in all areas.**

Schools have a legal obligation to monitor children's attendance and we will be contacting families in the coming weeks where children have poor attendance to school (below 90% - at least 1-day absence every 2 weeks). This is the first stage of our attendance procedure and, should attendance not improve within a set period of time, the school will have to make referrals to Southwark/Lambeth Councils with a view to further action being taken.

Saying this, the majority of Keyworth have excellent attendance to school (above 96%) and we want to appreciate their efforts. Therefore, I am introducing a Keyworth attendance raffle...

Keyworth Attendance Raffle

1. All children will receive a raffle ticket should they attend school for a whole week from Monday to Friday. Every week they attend for a whole week is equivalent to 1 raffle ticket being received. This will be back-dated to the start of the academic year.
2. At the end of each half term, there will be a whole-school attendance raffle draw where 3 children will be selected as raffles winners. The greater your child's attendance, the greater their chance of doing well in school and the greater their chance of winning the attendance raffle...



Every day at school matters!

Gender stereotypes - assembly

One of our school values is **Progressive: we can be the change we want to see around us.** This week during assembly I posed the following question:

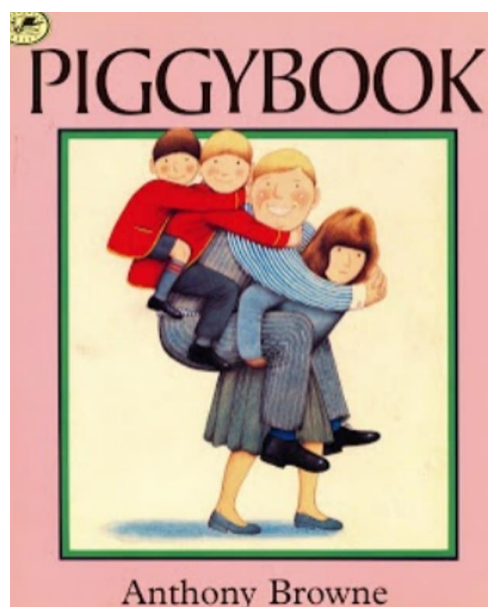
What is a woman's role in the family?

Unsurprisingly, many of the children said, "Cooking, cleaning, ironing and looking after the children." These are the stereotypes that as a school we want to challenge!

The children then listened to the story Piggybook by Anthony Browne and then a discussion was had around non-gendered roles in the home and society in general.

As a reminder, Keyworth works with Lifting Limits whose aim is to deliver gender equality through education. Further information can be found by clicking on the link below:

[Lifting Limits](#)



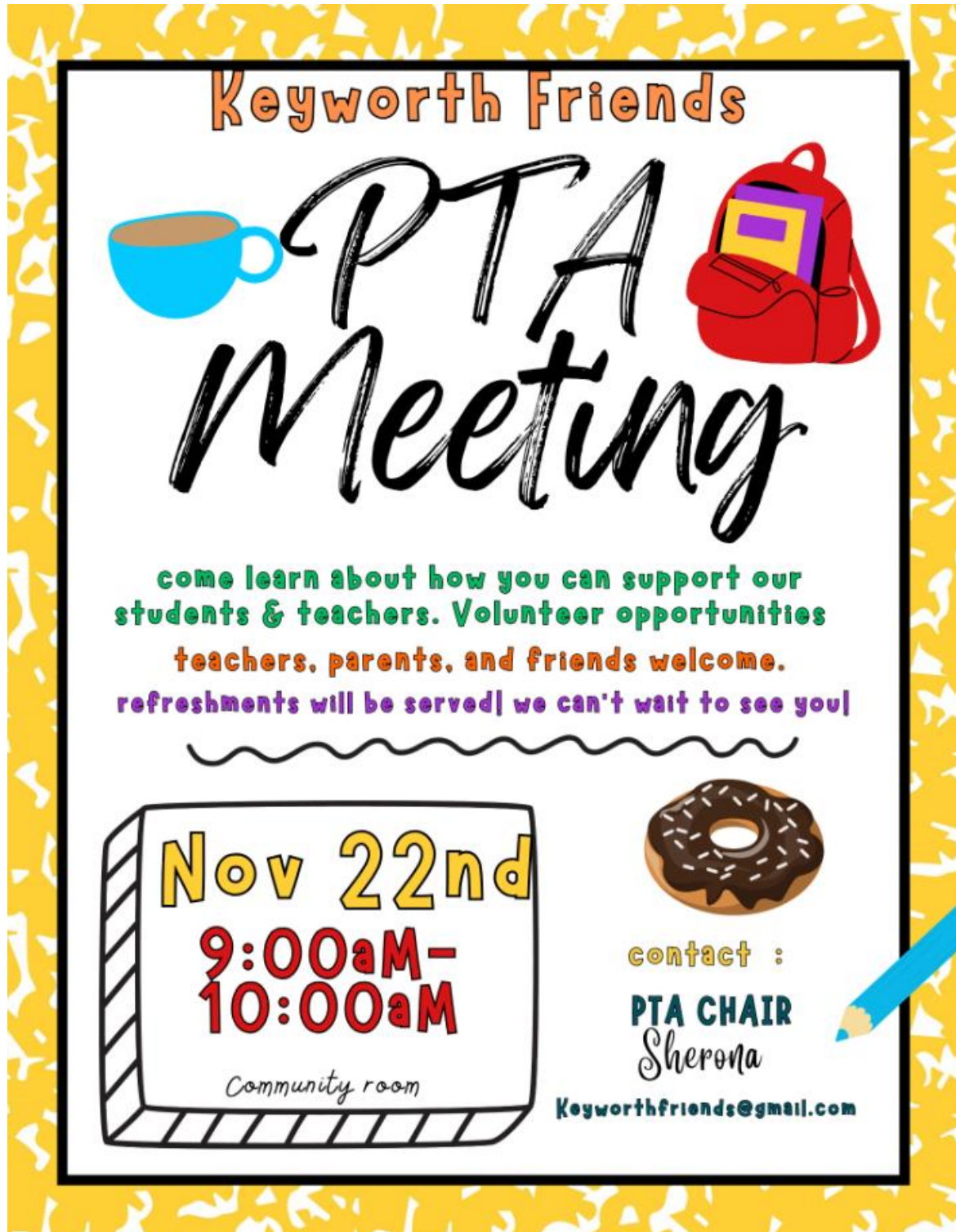
Keyworth Friends Wishlist

We know that there are some parents and families that cannot always make our events or volunteer but may still want to help! Because of this we have created a Wishlist of some of the items we are currently fundraising for - these are all to benefit our children in school. Thank you in advance if you are able to help in any way!

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/registries/gl/guest-view/32BY2A50IAM70>

Thank you to everyone who has already supported this cause!

Keyworth Friends' PTA Meeting



The poster features a yellow background with a white pattern of small, stylized figures. At the top, the text 'Keyworth Friends' is written in a bold, orange, sans-serif font. Below this, the words 'PTA Meeting' are written in a large, black, cursive font. To the left of 'PTA' is a blue coffee cup, and to the right is a red backpack with a yellow and purple book inside. Below the main title, there is a block of text: 'come learn about how you can support our students & teachers. Volunteer opportunities teachers, parents, and friends welcome. refreshments will be served! we can't wait to see you!'. A wavy line separates this text from a white rectangular box with a black border and diagonal hatching on the sides. Inside the box, the date 'Nov 22nd' is written in yellow, the time '9:00aM-10:00aM' is written in red, and 'Community room' is written in a smaller, black, cursive font. To the right of the box is a chocolate-glazed donut with white sprinkles. Below the donut, the text 'contact : PTA CHAIR Sherona' is written in black, with 'Sherona' in a cursive font. At the bottom right, the email address 'Keyworthfriends@gmail.com' is written in black. A blue pencil is shown pointing towards the contact information.

Keyworth Friends

PTA Meeting

come learn about how you can support our students & teachers. Volunteer opportunities
teachers, parents, and friends welcome.
refreshments will be served! we can't wait to see you!

Nov 22nd
9:00aM-10:00aM
Community room

contact :
PTA CHAIR
Sherona
Keyworthfriends@gmail.com



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ASSOCIATION

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FAIR HELD AT KEYWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL,
KENNINGTON, ON THE 6TH DEC 2024



Keyworth Friends' Easy Fundraising

It can be a win for both of us! When you grab your Black Friday bargains, start at the **easyfundraising website or app** and over 8,000 retailers will donate to Keyworth Friends every time you grab a bargain! Sign up and help us raise more at:

<https://bitly.cx/UwA4RQ>

Turn Black Friday into Give Back Friday

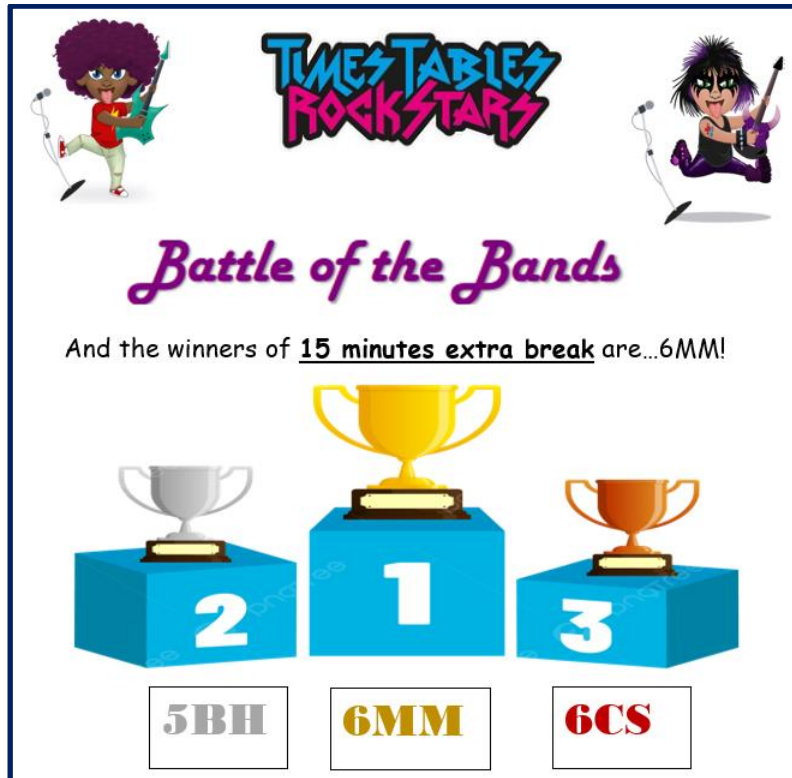
Raise donations for Keyworth Friends
when you shop the sales



[Moments] that **make (it) count**

RAISE A DONATION

Times Table Rockstars - Battle of the Bands



Year 1 Kennington Park visit

The children in year 1 visited Kennington Park looking for signs of autumn and had fun playing in the leaves!



Year 6 Into University Focus Week

Class 6CS took part in IntoUniversity's Focus Week. The focus weeks support students' aspirations, attainment and development of key skills that promote success at school and beyond. As part of the week, the children completed numerous activities in school to learn about university life and consider their future goals, as well as visiting the Young V&A for a workshop. The week ended with the children graduating at Kings College London, Waterloo Campus. Who knows, these images could be replicated in 10 or so years' time...





Cooking intervention group

A group of children enjoyed a delightful tasting experience with homemade hummus and freshly cut crudité's.



Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day

Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week. It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves, and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique! This week the children learnt about bullying and how we can prevent it. Further support can be found by clicking on the link below:

[Young Minds](#)



Keyworth Friends' Movie Nights

This week Keyworth Friends hosted two movie nights to raise money for new playground equipment - £308 was raised! The children enjoyed specially selected movies and snacks! Thank you to everyone who volunteered to support the events - without volunteers, we would not be able to host such events.



PE assembly

Keyworth was pleased to have Wilson from the PE network visit us this week. He spoke about the importance of physical activity and how we can work to increase our movement every day. The children got to play literacy games with a sporty twist!



Diwali Assembly

On Thursday, we had a guest speaker from the South London Sanatan Mandir come to give an assembly about Diwali. The children had a brilliant time learning about the religious festival and the story behind it. Some children even got to use their acting skills to become Rama, Sita, Lakshmana and many other religious characters in the story. The children had lots of fun learning about this important Hindu festival.

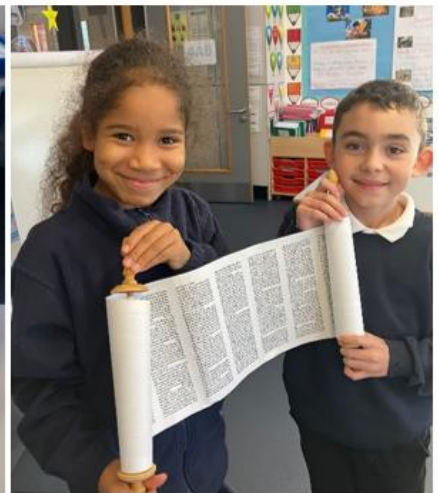
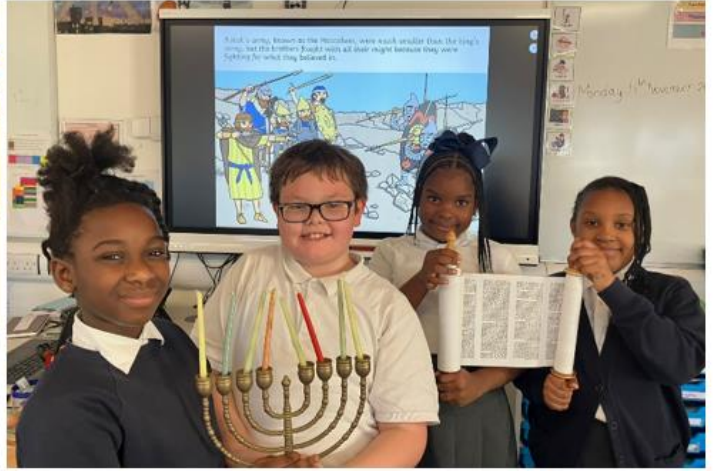


Further information about Diwali can be found by clicking on the link below:

[BBC Bitesize - Diwali](#)

Interfaith week

During Interfaith week, year 4 have been focusing on Judaism and learning about the festivals of Purim, Hanukkah and Rosh Hashanah. They have re-enacted some Jewish stories, discovered the meaning behind sacred artefacts and have made some delicious Hamantaschen and potato latkes.



Year 2 created some chapatis.



Year 6 supported year 1 in making samosas.



Children in Need

One of our school values is **Connected to the Community: we have a strong sense of being a part of and having responsibility for our community.** Today we dressed up in spots/stripes/colourful clothes to raise money for the BBC Children in Need Appeal.

Thank you to everyone who donated and to these children who collected money at the school gate through dance, encouragement and enthusiasm!



Support for families 1 - Making it REAL Literacy Program: support in your home

We are excited to offer the *Making it REAL* literacy program for 3- and 4-year-olds (not yet in Reception). This program brings early literacy learning into your home, supporting you to build strong foundations in reading, writing, and communication through fun, everyday activities. If you are interested in a referral and can commit for four home visits arranged with the practitioner, please contact **Lori Knight** detailing your child's strengths and needs, and a referral will be submitted on your behalf.

lknight@gemfed.co.uk

Refer to posters at the end of this newsletter for further information.

Support for families 2 - parent workshop

PARENT WORKSHOP

DOES IT EVER FEEL LIKE YOUR CHILD'S EMOTIONS GET TOO BIG TO HANDLE, TOO QUICKLY?

NOT SURE WHAT TO DO?

COME ALONG FOR A SESSION WITH THE SCHOOL EP TO FIND OUT ABOUT THE ESCALATION CYCLE AND HOW TO DEAL WITH IT.

AT 9-10AM, WITH TIME AFTERWARDS FOR QUESTIONS ON MONDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

Support for families 3 - Kings College London parent groups

Kings College London have created two groups aimed at empowering parents to guide their children's academic journey effectively and campaign for their access to university and other educational opportunities:

- **South London Parent Power:** Open to all parents, providing comprehensive resources and tools to help foster their children's educational development and college admissions journey.
- **Empoderando Familias:** Tailored to assist Hispanic parents with resources and strategies that align with their unique needs in supporting their children's academic success.

Further information can be found on posters at the end of the newsletter.

Support for families 4 - Start for Life

Start for Life helps families to give their children the best start in life, with support during pregnancy through to parental support and childcare up to the age of 5 years. Further information can be found by clicking on the link below:

[Start for Life](#)

Support for families 5 - fathers and male caregivers

Southwark Council offer a range of parenting programmes, group sessions and 1:1 support specifically designed for new fathers and male caregivers to help with the practical and emotional wellbeing for yourself, your partner and your baby. Further information can be found by clicking on the link below:

[Help with parenting](#)

Word of the Week

This week's *Word of the Week* is **occupying**. Please discuss its meaning with your child/ren and encourage them to share what they have learned with their teachers in school to receive gems. Do they know the origin? Can they use the word correctly in a sentence? Can they identify and explain the meaning of alternative forms e.g. **occupy/occupation**. Can they identify any synonyms or antonyms?

Please find below previous words that we have used in school:

Previous words	accompanying, variety, frequent, sincere, appreciating, tolerant, immediate, guarantee
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I would like to wish you and your family a wonderful weekend!

Ray Capper
Head of School

START
FOR LIFE



Making it **REAL**

Making it REAL (Raising Early Achievement in Literacy) is an award winning intervention programme that develops children's early literacy by helping parents' create a positive early Home Learning Environment.

Supporting your 3 or 4 year old child's early speaking, reading and writing skills.





How its delivered

The programme is mostly delivered in your family home through a series of visits by one of our trained practitioners with parents and children together

How will it help me?

- Build your knowledge and confidence in helping your child with speaking reading, writing and maths
- Supporting you to create and develop a positive early home learning environment



Our team of trained Making it REAL practitioners will bring fun and exciting learning into your everyday life at home using resources that are low cost and readily available

Most importantly, all the fun and exciting activities will be planned around your child's developmental stage and interests



What else is included?

- Accessing events in your local community, at your child's nursery or in your local Children and Family Centre
- Resources to deliver fun activities and learning at home



Download the 50 things App



SOUTH LONDON PARENT POWER

We are South London Parents working together to create change for our children.



Learn about the education system and higher education options.



Build confidence in supporting your child's educational decisions.



Join a growing network of informed parents who care about fair education.

South London Parent Power is a group led by parents for parents, in partnership with King's College London and Citizens UK. We're committed to helping parents support their children's educational journey, campaigning for access to elite universities, and more!

We meet every month alternating between online and on campus in-person at King's College London.



ParentPowerSL

For more information, please contact:
isabel.1.fernandez-moreno@kcl.ac.uk

EMPODERANDO FAMILIAS

Somos padres latinoamericanos en el sur de Londres trabajando juntos para crear un cambio para nuestros hijos.



Conozca el sistema educativo y las opciones de educación superior.



Desarrolle confianza en apoyar las decisiones educativas de su hijo.



Únase a una red en crecimiento de padres informados que se preocupan por una educación justa.

Empoderando Familias es un grupo para padres hispanohablantes, dirigido por padres para padres, en asociación con King's College London y Citizens UK. Estamos comprometidos a ayudar a los padres a apoyar el viaje educativo de sus hijos, a abogar por el acceso a universidades de élite y más.

Nos reunimos cada mes alternando entre encuentros en línea y presenciales en el campus de King's College London.



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