



PROSPECTUS 2026-2027

KEREM SCHOOL

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WELCOME TO KEREM

Welcome to Kerem! We are more than a school, we are a family!

At Kerem, your child will flourish academically while feeling part of a warm, supportive and flourishing community. From 9 months to 11 years, our nurturing approach, small classes and outstanding teachers ensure each pupil is stretched and supported, achieving academic success while discovering a deep sense of belonging within a vibrant Jewish community.

Our exceptional results are achieved through our enriched academic curriculum and innovative, character-building programmes. Our pupils understand that who they are matters as much as what they know, helping them grow into confident, compassionate, successful young people.

We warmly invite you to visit us and experience our wonderful school for yourself!



MISSION AND VISION

Kerem School came into existence due to the vision and tenacity of Stanley Frankfurt. It was through his persistence and persuasion that, in 1948, the Hampstead Garden Suburb Jewish Kindergarten, later to become Kerem House opened. Dayan Meyer Lew the first Honorary Principal suggested the name 'Kerem,' explaining that Kerem means a vineyard and that the children should grow and flourish as grapes grow on the vine.

While Kerem is not academically selective, we are extremely proud of our reputation for academic rigour, creativity and our individualised pastoral and academic intervention programmes. The strength of our enriched curriculum and the dedication of our teachers enables our pupils to consistently outperform local and national schools in benchmark tests and achieve superb 11+ outcomes.

We know your child's happiness and well-being are vital to their success. Through our small classes, individualised teaching and our warm, supportive environment, we remain committed to ensuring that every child can thrive and flourish at Kerem!



WHY CHOOSE US?



Nurturing, individualised teaching offering exceptional added value and superb 11+ outcomes.



A continuous journey from 9 months to 11 years in a caring, supportive community where every child is known and valued



Extensive sports facilities, STEAM lab and libraries and a beautiful Nursery & Reception set in its own secure grounds.



Outstanding pastoral care with spacious wellbeing room, dedicated wellbeing practitioner and superb SEND support.



A vibrant, forward-thinking curriculum, interwoven with and enriched by Jewish life and learning.

**EVERY CHILD
CAN THRIVE
AND FLOURISH
AT KEREM!**



TWO SITES...

Our Pre-Prep and Nursery are housed together in their own dedicated building, with spacious, light filled classrooms, surrounded on 3 sides by extensive play and outdoor classroom areas, vegetable garden, outdoor kitchen and reading shed. So many delights to nourish your child's curiosity!

The Pre-Prep is open from 7.30am to 6.00pm



ONE COMMUNITY

Years 1-6 are housed in the main synagogue building in Norrice Lea which leads directly on to Lyttleton Playing Fields. The spacious classrooms, STEAM lab, library & music room are complemented by extensive sports pitches, tennis and netball courts and Forest School area to ensure that Kerem pupils are always busy!

STEAM Lab



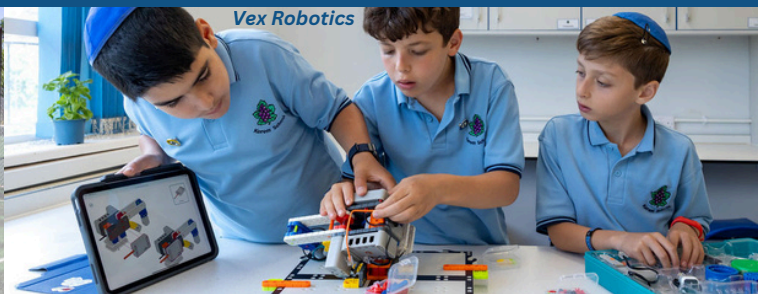
Virtual Reality



Tennis & Netball Courts



Vex Robotics



Wellbeing Room



Football and Cricket Pitches





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The wellbeing and happiness of every child sits at the heart of life at Kerem.

Even Pepsi, our much-loved school wellbeing dog, plays her part in creating a warm and nurturing environment for our pupils, bringing smiles and special moments to our pupils each day.

To find out more – or to arrange a visit, please do get in touch. We would be delighted to welcome you!



At what age can my child join Kerem?

- Kerem Little Grapes Nursery is for children aged 9 months to 3 years.
- Kerem Pre-School is for children aged 3 – 4 years
- Kerem School is for children aged 4-11 (Reception to Yr 6)



Little Grapes Nursery

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Little Grapes, Kerem Pre-School and Kerem Reception are all based at the Early Years Unit in Kingsley Way.

Surrounded on three sides by gardens and playgrounds, our Early Years Unit is light-filled, secure and carefully designed for young minds to explore the world and develop a joyful love of learning and Judaism.

Each child is part of the Kerem community – known, supported and gently prepared for the next steps of their journey.

Little Grapes is open 49 weeks per year, 8.30am to 6.00pm, not including bank holidays.

We are closed over Pesach and from 24th December to 1st January and on bank holidays.

Friday pick-up times vary with Shabbat from 12.30 in the winter to 3pm in the summer.

We serve hot meaty kosher lunches and kosher snacks and accept government funded hours and workplace nursery schemes.



EXTENDED HOURS & WRAPAROUND CARE

	Before School	School Hours	After School
Nursery & Reception	7.30 am Early Drop Off	8:30am - 3:00pm	3:00pm - 6:00pm
Years 1-6	7:45am - 8.30am	8:30am - 3:30pm	3:30pm - 4:45pm

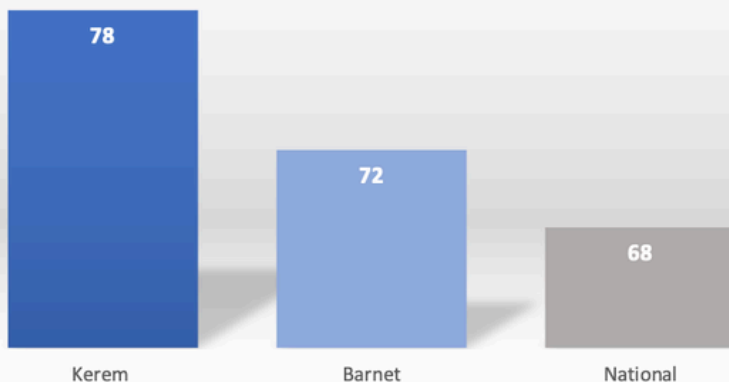


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WRAP-
AROUND
CARE TILL
6.30 PM
MON -
THURS**

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

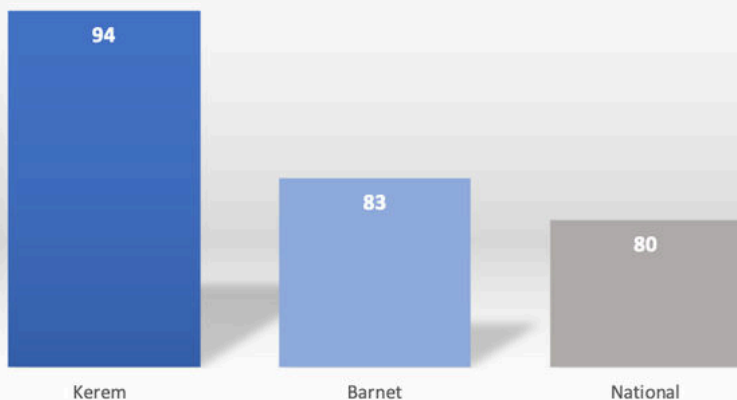
EARLY YEARS DEVELOPMENT

% of pupils achieving the expected level of development in all 17 areas of assessment

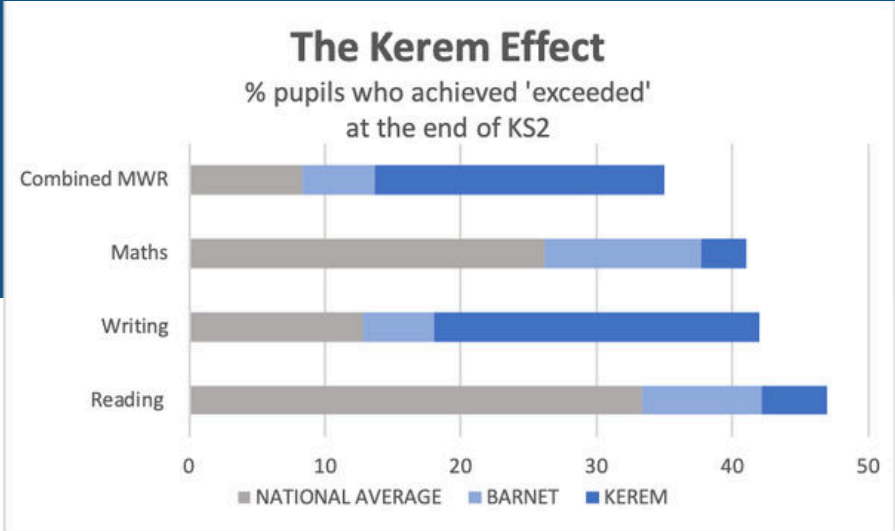
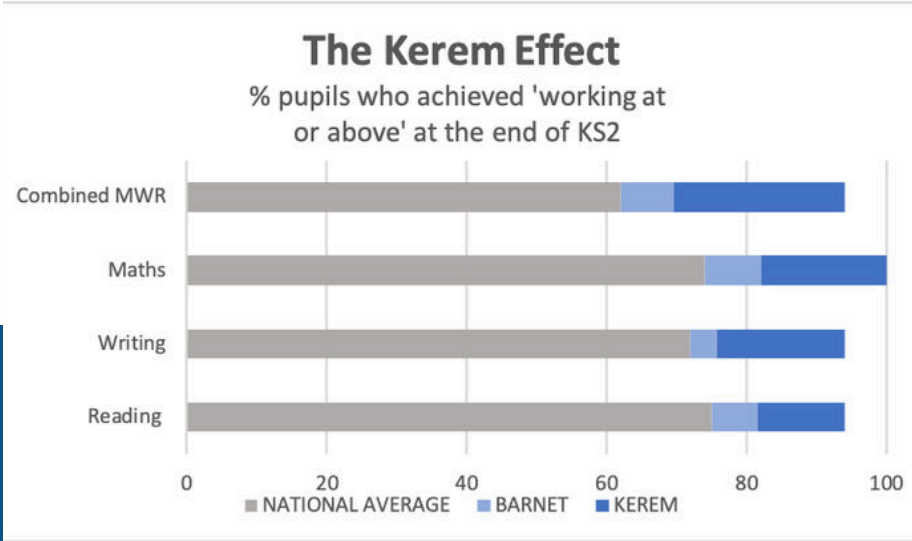


Key Stage 1 Phonics Assessment

% pupils achieving 'working at or above'



THE KEREM EFFECT



Data shown is for 2024-5 which is the most recently published national data available

DESTINATION SCHOOLS

Habs
HABERDASHERS'
BOYS' SCHOOL

C
CHANNING



UCS
HAMPSTEAD



Habs
HABERDASHERS'
GIRLS' SCHOOL

**HIGHGATE
SCHOOL**



**North London
Collegiate School**
Founded 1850



Belmont



OUTSTANDING PREPARATION

At Kerem, we are proud of our exceptional record of success at 11+. Each year, our children receive offers and scholarships from the leading independent and state secondary schools, reflecting our pupils' confidence, curiosity and love of learning, as well as their excellent academic achievement.

Our carefully structured 11+ programme begins in Year 4, building verbal and non-verbal reasoning skills and intensifies in Year 5 with smaller teaching groups tailored to pupils' target schools and individual needs. Those not sitting entrance exams continue to enjoy ambitious and inspiring learning without unnecessary pressure.

EXCEPTIONAL OUTCOMES

Interview preparation is another key strength; pupils practise with their teachers and a professional interview coach to help them express themselves with assurance and authenticity. An optional 11+ Preparation Club runs from Year 5 to provide further focused practice in a focused and nurturing environment.

Parents are supported at every stage through information evenings, one-to-one advice, and our annual Future Schools Fair, attended by the leading North London Schools, reflecting the strong partnerships that underpin Kerem's outstanding success in secondary transfer.



JEWISH LIFE & LEARNING

At Kerem, our vision is to inspire curiosity, nurture deep connections, and instill a lifelong love of Jewish learning. Whether through Festivals, Mitzvot or daily Tefilah, Kerem children experience Judaism as something to treasure throughout their lives.

Jewish life and learning at Kerem are woven together with both head and heart, creating joyful and meaningful experiences that bring Judaism to life. From celebrating festivals with warmth and wonder to making every moment of learning engaging and purposeful, children feel the beauty of their heritage in everything they do.

Alongside this vibrant Jewish life, we are dedicated to academic excellence. Children develop strong Hebrew reading skills, study Chumash in depth, explore Rashi, and grow in confidence as they progress to more advanced Jewish texts.



TZEDAKAH & TIKKUN OLAM



TEFILAH CHUMASH & RASHI

ADMISSIONS PROCESS

1

Visit Us

Join us for a private tour, a stay and play and/or our open day.

2

Register

We will invite you for a taster morning and to meet the Head.

3

Offer

Offers will be sent out by 12th Dec for all applications received by the 3rd Monday in Nov.

4

Accept

To accept the offer, return the forms & transfer the deposit within 4 weeks.



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