



Knypersley News

Learning Together, Learning for Life

27th May 2022

Diary Dates

6th June 2022

School Closed to Pupils (Staff Training)

7th June 2022

Pupils Return to School

Week Commencing 6th June

Phonics Screen—All Week

Week Commencing 6th to 10th June 2022

Scholastic Book Fair

8th June 2022—1.30pm to 2.30pm

Stay and Play for Reception (New Parents)

9th June 2022—9.30am to

10.30am and 1.30pm to 2.30pm

Stay and Play for Nursery (New Parents)

Week Commencing 20th June

Health and Sports Week

Sports Days-June

Y2 (pm) Monday 20th

BB + LL (am) Tuesday 21st

CC + AA (pm) Tuesday 21st

Y4 (pm) Wednesday 22nd

Y1 (pm) Thursday 23rd

Y3 (pm) Friday 24th

29th June 2022

Reports out to Parents

30th June 2022

PTFA Summer Disco

Year 1 Change 4 Life @ BVLC

11th July 2022

Leavers Concert

Nursery Graduation

18th July 2022

Summer Closes for Summer

What a fabulous last week Mrs Rourke and I have had as Executive Headteacher and Head of School, we couldn't have asked for better! Last night, our wonderful Young Voices Choir did us proud at the AO Arena in Manchester. The atmosphere was electric and our children, along with children from across the Children First Learning Partnership had the time of their lives! A huge thank you to Mr Gillespie, Mrs Bible and Miss Naughten for giving our children more memories to last a lifetime.

Today we have sang, danced and partied in true Knypersley style, as part of our celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee. A snapshot of our exciting day has been captured on Twitter. We would like to say a big thank you to Rode Hall brass band for making our celebrations extra special today.

Mrs Rourke and I would like to say a heart felt thank you to all our staff, children and parents for all of your support over the last six months. We are very excited for Mrs Cooper to join us as our Headteacher after the holidays and we are sure you will welcome her into our Knypersley family.

We hope you all have a lovely holiday, we look forward to seeing you all on TUESDAY, 7th June. Love Mrs Rourke, Mrs Egerton and all of Team Knypersley xx



PSHRE Relationships & Health Education

From September 2020, it is a statutory requirement that all schools in England are teaching Relationship and Health Education as a fundamental part of the curriculum. As part of implementing the RHE curriculum, schools must consult with stakeholders to ensure there is a general consensus on our approaches to policy and the curriculum content.

We are asking parents to read through the following documents:

PSHRE Policy

Year group overviews

Both of these documents can be found on the curriculum page under PSHRE on the school website.

We have also provided the following leaflet below to support you with your understanding for the requirements of Relationship and Health Education. DfE Guide for Parents https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/907638/RSE_primary_schools_guide_for_parents.pdf

Please email any questions or comments by the 13th of June 2022 to admin@knypersley.staffs.sch.uk

Your comments and questions will be reviewed as part of the consultation. Thank You. Mrs Sigley



Attendance

Busy Bees	99.3%	Class 5	90.7%
Caterpillars	96.7%	Class 6	99.3%
Class 2	96.7%	Class 7	97.7%
Class 3	93.3%	Class 8	95.9%
Class 4	97.7%	Class 9	95.2%

Congratulations to Busy Bees and Class 6 who have achieved 99.3% attendance for the week!

Week Commencing 16th May 2022

Whole School Attendance—96.2%

School target — 96.5%

We will be on Week 1 of our new dinner menu next week.

Celebrate Good Times!

Achiever of the Week

Busy Bees	Alyssia Bickerton
Caterpillars	Mason Munro
Class 2	Lily Adams
Class 3	Class 3
Class 4	Freyja Byrne
Class 5	Lily Bedson
Class 6	Thomas Planeta & Tailáh-Beau Hallmark
Class 7	All of Class 7
Class 8	Seren Bates
Class 9	Grace Ellis & Lisa Giles



Congratulations

Knypersley Rockstars

This week Rockstars understand the significance of the Jubilee and appreciate how special the queen is!

Thank you so much for making Knypersley the best place to be!

Nursery	All of Nursery
Busy Bees	Ava Hood
Caterpillars	All of Creative Caterpillars
Class 2	Finley
Class 3	Poppy Wood
Class 4	Sullivan Creasey
Class 5	George Duda
Class 6	All of Class 6
Class 7	All of Class 7
Class 8	Neve Bateman
Class 9	Ryan Giles



Author of the Week

Class 2	Josuha Bolton
Class 3	Lily Keily
Class 4	Mason Court
Class 5	Charlie Fitchford
Class 6	All of Class 6
Class 7	Jacob Brown
Class 8	Ilysha Grant
Class 9	Teagan Byng



House Points

Congratulations to Fire

Fire 315 Water 257

Air 241 Earth 300

Keep up the good work everyone!

Please use the links below to complete our parents survey if you haven't already-thank you.

Parents year 1- 4 survey link

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfrIC5Bnh8WVVzeoyIRfssSbSx1MFaeldstSBUtBxWQ5z4mQ/viewform?usp=pp_url

Parents EYFS

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfx7L4pliUGTaI30UocPyYTXDgajlzbIG646wg6E8g4ZDbMHQ/viewform?usp=pp_url

Year 2 Secret Agent Testing (SATs)

Over the last month our Year 2 children have been on a very special secret mission to become special agents! We are very proud of all of their hard work.



Let's Celebrate!

We would love to see photos of your out of school achievements and share them with our school community through our newsletter. Please email photographs of your child with anything that they would like to celebrate, their name and a brief summary of the photo. Please email them before Wednesday each week to admin@knypersley.staffs.sch.uk



Race for Life



Thank you so much for all your support, raising lots of money for this fantastic charity! So far we have raised a whopping £1444.00

There is still time to donate on the following link:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/knypersley-first-school>

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU!



We would like you to join us in thanking both Mrs Egerton and Mrs Rourke for taking the best of care of Knypersley First School since October. I am sure you will all agree that they have been fantastic and led the school through not just daily life but also the big 'OFSTED' too! A huge thank you to them both from Team Knypersley xxx





BIDDULPH
CELEBRATES
*The Queens Platinum
Jubilee*

Thursday 2nd June
7.00 pm onwards (Beacon lighting 9.45 pm)
Knypersley Cricket Ground
Beacon & Bagpipes
(FREE Family Disco, FREE Crafts, Food Available)

Friday 3rd June
12.00 pm - 3.00 pm
Biddulph Youth & Community Zone
Family fun, Bring a Picnic

Saturday 4th June
12.30 pm - 4.30 pm
Family Fun & Community Event
St Johns, Knypersley
Bouncy Castle, Face Painting, BBQ - All FREE

Sunday 5th June
2.00 pm - 3.00 pm
Queens Platinum Jubilee Civic Service & Afternoon Tea
Christ Church, Biddulph Moor
All Welcome





'Tea with the Queen'

Join us at:

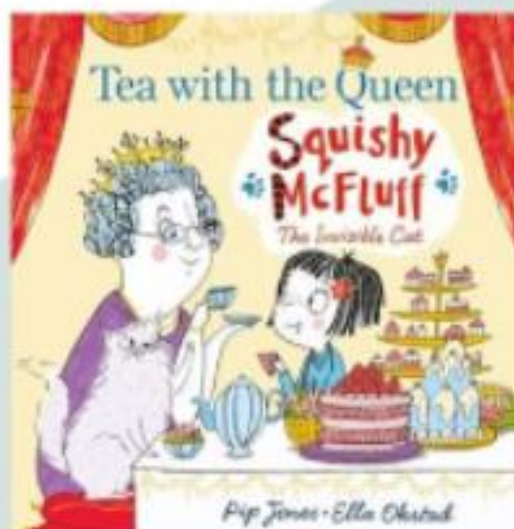
Biddulph Library to celebrate
the Platinum Jubilee.

This will be a fun interactive
storytelling event, including a
cake picnic, a craft session and a
'very special' guest visitor.

Booking details:

Contact Biddulph Library on

01782 485491 or biddulph.library@staffordshire.gov.uk



Age range: Story aimed
at 4-7 yrs

Cost: £1.50 per child

**** Please note that small
decorative items will be used for
the craft activity**

Monday 30th May

At 11am



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A GUIDE ON HOW NOT TO BE A SCREEN ZOMBIE

It's not always easy to tell if you've been spending too much time on your device. Mobiles phones, tablets, games consoles, TVs; the list of devices you might have access to seems never-ending and switching between them can be seamless. However, too much time on your device could lead to certain problems and could be an indicator of an addictive habit. It's important therefore that you try and manage your screen time as much as possible and avoid becoming a 'screen zombie.'

TAKE CARE OF YOUR BRAIN

Spending too much time on social media, watching YouTube or playing games online can result in you becoming a screen zombie. This can affect your mood, how much sleep you get, how you perform at school and how you behave around others. Limiting your screen time will keep you alert, keep your mind focused and help to look after your own mental health and wellbeing.



BE PRESENT, NOT A ZOMBIE

Screen zombies often find that they spend a lot of time alone in front of their tablet or their mobile phone and reduce the time they spend with their friends or talk with their family. Zombies often lack communication skills. Always try to limit your screen time as much as possible - there's so much fun you can have with others!



SCREEN-FREE BEDROOMS

Keeping your phone in your bedroom means that it can be tempting to check every notification you get. Your phone could be the last thing you see at night and the first thing you see in the morning. This can contribute towards poor sleep and a lack of focus the next day. Try to keep your phone out of your bedroom or turn off all notifications before bedtime. This will mean you'll get a good night's rest and be ready for the next day.



DON'T GET TRAPPED INSIDE

Screen zombies usually find that they spend a lot of time inside as they lose interest in other things that don't include their device. It might seem obvious, but meeting your friends outside or doing outdoor activities like playing sports, trampolining, camping or just going for a walk are all healthy replacements for screen time and can help keep your mind fresh and active.



ZOMBIE-FREE MEALTIMES

Mealtimes can be seen as a good time to sit down, relax and switch on your tablet or phone as you eat your food. But it can also mean that you're not interacting with others, sharing jokes at the dinner table or just talking about your day. Keep mealtimes for family time. Eating your food and staring at a screen means you're turning into a zombie.



BEWARE OF OTHER DANGERS

Spending too much time on your device and online can increase your chances of potentially encountering other online dangers. This could range from viewing inappropriate or harmful content to online bullying, grooming or fake news. Controlling how much time you spend online will reduce your risk of exposure. If you do see anything that makes you upset or if you're concerned about contact with others, always report it to a trusted adult.



BEWARE OF SNEAKY TRICKS

A lot of apps and games use certain ways of keeping you online and using their platform for long periods of time. This can include simple things like unlimited scrolling on a newsfeed, 'streaks' or uncovering hidden levels. Be mindful of how much time you're online and try to remember you're in control. You decide when you've had enough, not your device.



SAVE YOUR PARENTS!

Even though your parents will often be the ones telling you to limit your screen time, turn off your tablet or switch off your phone, sometimes they will forget to take their own advice. So it's up to you to make sure you remind them of the dangers of becoming a screen zombie!



UN-ZOMBIFY YOURSELF

If you think that you've already become a screen zombie, then don't worry, it's never too late to get help and support from your friends and family. Talk to your parents if you feel you've become addicted to your device, try to understand why and work with them to help you limit your screen time so that you can leave your zombie character behind.



Meet our expert

Pete Burt is content specialist with over 10+ years in research and analysis. He has written various expert pieces around online safety for children and parents and previously worked in a specialist role for the police, contributing work which was pivotal in successfully winning high profile court cases and writing as a subject matter expert for industry handbooks.



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It can be challenging for parents and carers to know whether children are spending too much time on their devices. Furthermore, it's even more of a challenge to know whether a child is addicted to the internet and social media. As technology is becoming more pervasive, children and young people are experiencing tech-related dependencies. Do we as parents and carers have the knowledge to identify and support children and young people who may be developing an addiction to their devices?



What parents need to know about SCREEN ADDICTION



HEALTH & WELLBEING

Children as young as 13 are attending 'smartphone rehab' following growing concerns over screen time. There are now help centers in the UK which deal with screen addiction for children and adults showing the seriousness of device addiction. The World Health Organisation (WHO) has officially recognised gaming addiction as a modern disease. The condition was confirmed as part of their International Classification of Diseases (ICD) which serves as an international standard for diagnosing and treating health conditions.

LACK OF SLEEP

7 out of 10 children said they had missed out on sleep because of their online habits and 60% said they had neglected school work as a result. It is important that children get the sleep they need in order to focus the next day.

LOSS OF INTEREST IN OTHER THINGS

Your child may become less interested in anything that does not include their device. You may notice that your child is missing school time and generally being less engaged with other activities in the home. It is important to discuss this with your child as soon as you notice a behaviour change.



CONFIDENCE, SUPPORT & ADVICE

The Children's Commissioner report 'Life in Likes' explored how children aged 8-11 are using social media today. It showed that children are using their devices to speak to their online friends about their problems and seek acceptance and support, removing face to face interactions.

APPS CAN BE ADDICTIVE

Apps have been designed with 'psychological tricks' to constantly keep grabbing your attention. One example of this is on the app Snapchat, where you can gain 'streaks' when interacting with your friends. If you don't respond, you lose the streak. This addictive nature of apps aims to engage children and keep them coming back for more.



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Top Tips for Parents



LIMIT SCREEN TIME

In today's digital age, technology is an important part of a child's development so completely banning them from their device will mean they are missing out on a lot, including conversations and communication with their friends. Rather than banning them from using their devices, we suggest setting a screen time limit. Work out what you think is a suitable and healthy amount of time for your child to be on their device per week. Remember that your child may need to use devices for their school homework so only set screen limits on recreational time on their device. Once you have established this, have the conversation with them to discuss why you are implementing a screen limit. There will be others in your child's friendship group who will not have screen limits set and will be sending messages when they do not have access to their phones.

LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Children model their behavior on their peers, so if their parents are constantly on their device, they will see this as acceptable. Try limiting your own screen time and follow the same rules you have set for them. If you have asked your child to not use their device at the table, make sure you don't. Try setting house rules that the whole family abide by.

LESS TIME MEANS LESS EXPOSURE

There are many risks associated with devices, such as cyberbullying, grooming, sexting, viewing inappropriate content etc. Less time spent on a screen means that a child will be less exposed to these risks.

MOBILE-FREE MEAL TIMES

Have you tried to settle your child by giving them a tablet at the dinner table or restaurant? This may seem like a quick fix to calm them down but in reality, it is encouraging them to use their device as a distraction from conversation and dealing with their emotions. We suggest removing all technology from the dinner table and having conversations with your family about how their day has been.

REMOVE DEVICES FROM THEIR BEDROOM

Setting a rule about removing devices from bedrooms will help your child to get the sleep they need and be more focused the next day at school. 20% of teenagers said that they wake up to check their social network accounts on their devices. Even by having a device switched off in their bedroom, they may be tempted to check for notifications.

ENCOURAGE ALTERNATE ACTIVITIES

It may seem like an obvious solution, but encouraging children to play with their friends, read a book, or playing outdoors will help them realise they can have fun without their device. Playing football, trampolining, painting, going for a walk or swimming are all healthy replacements for screen time. Try to join them in their outdoor activities to show your support.

STATISTICS

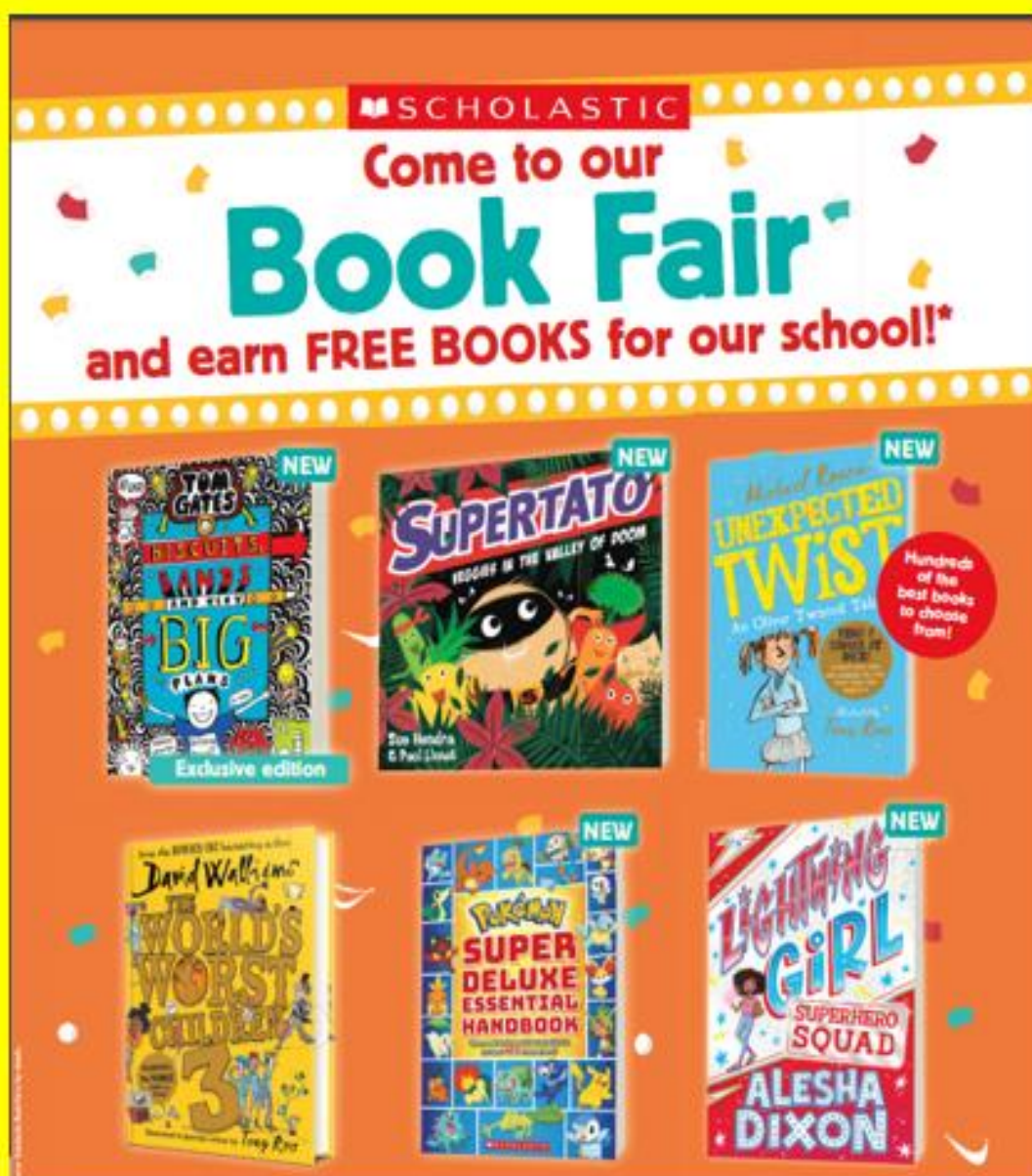
52% of children aged 3-4
go online for nearly 9hrs a week

82% of children aged 5-7
go online for nearly 9.5hrs a week

93% of children aged 8-11
go online for nearly 13.5hrs a week

99% of children aged 12-15
go online for nearly 20.5hrs a week

Children and Families Online: Our World Online Report 2016



Celebrate reading at our Book Fair!

The Book Fair will be arriving in school soon, with hundreds of new children's books to browse and buy.

Come and join us!

After school on the 8th 9th and 10th June

On the playground if the sun has it's hat on, or in the hall if it's raining.

There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from only £2.99, there's sure to be a book for everyone. If you can't make it to our Book Fair, try our discounted Gift Vouchers available at www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents. They're a great way to ensure your child doesn't miss out.

Don't forget that every book you buy can help to get **FREE BOOKS** for our school library!