

24.11.2023



The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



A message from Mrs Rourke...

Firstly I would like to thank the wonderful PTFA team who, as part of the Christmas Market preparations, have spent the majority of the week busily baking in our cookery room alongside all of our pupils. In total, I believe 330 mince pies have been made. An amazing achievement.

On Thursday some of our elected representatives took part in the first Children First Learning Partnership Pupil Forum Meeting. 5 of our pupils joined representatives from Springhead, Castlechurch and Reginald Mitchell Primary schools and Oxhey and Kingsfield First Schools. They led a presentation sharing why Knypersley is a special place to learn and work and are looking forward to sharing the information they received about the other schools which make up the Children First Learning Partnership family with the rest of their classmates. There are many plans to gather their opinions and ideas to increase the number of collaborative academy trust pupil events and school provision.

I would like to thank Mrs Hadnum-Bibby for her hard work and dedication as a teaching assistant here at Knypersley and wish her all the very best as she moves on to new adventures.

Finally, please take a moment to read about the feedback to our homework survey and what homework will look like moving forward here at Knypersley via the spotlight page at the end of this newsletter. As always please contact us if you have any questions.

Have a great weekend and keep warm everyone,

Mrs Rourke.

Important dates coming soon...

1/12/2023 PTFA Non-uniform day we are asking for the following donations:

EYFS: Chocolate

KS1: Sweets

KS2: Bottles

1/12/2023 Year 2 Manchester airport trip

8/12/2023 Christmas Jumper Day

8/12/2023 Year 4 Forest School Parent Engagement Class 8 am, Class 9 pm

11-14/12/2023

Christmas Nativity week

Class	Attendance
Creative Caterpillars	94.5%
Busy Bees	95.9%
Class 2	94.9%
Class 3	94.3%
Class 4	97.5%
Class 5	96.5%
Class 6	96.7%
Class 7	95.1%
Class 8	96.7%
Class 9	96.1%

This Week's winner is:
Class 4



Please follow the following link <https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/lunch-menu/> to find our school lunch menu.

Next week we will be following **week 3**



www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk In the Spotlight

We will be taking the opportunity weekly to shine the spotlight on selected areas of our school webpage. This week we want to take the opportunity to direct you to our school Safeguarding Page <https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/safeguarding-2/>

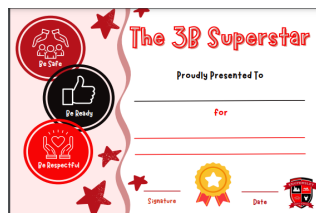
Our safeguarding page is full of useful information to support our families to stay safe and healthy. Please take a moment to visit our spotlight page this week.

Thank you

Our whole school attendance target is 100%.

This week, our school attendance was: **95.9**

Rewards and Celebrations



Class 2- Evelyn

Class 3- Laurence

Class 4- Olivia

Class 5- Esra

Class 6- Anthony

Class 7- Arlo

Class 8- Euan

Class 9- Darcy

Nursery- Albie

Creative Caterpillars- Aria

Busy Bees- Jack

Class 2- Carlo

Class 3- Alayah

Class 4- Hadi

Class 5- Amelia G

Class 6- Leighton

Class 7- Amelia

Class 8- Poppy

Class 9- Kallen

Nursery- Bonnie-Mae

Creative Caterpillars- Bobby

Busy Bees- Leo

Class 2- Otis

Class 3- Joey G

Class 4- Jasmine

Class 5- Seb

Class 6- Finn

Class 7- Phoebe

Class 8- Oliver

Class 9- Tristan



Achievements Outside of School...

This week our House
Team winner are....



EARTH





Panto Trip



As you are aware we will be attending our annual Pantomime trip on **Friday 22nd December** (letter sent via Arbour).

A huge thank you to our fantastic PTFA who have kindly funded the buses on the day!

Can we please remind you that payments towards the Pantomime trip are now payable via Parent Pay, if you have not yet done so.

Job Vacancy

We are seeking to appoint a Janitor for 5 hours per week, 1 hour per day, to undertake the evening locking of the school site and a small number of general duties. The hourly rate for this post is £11.79 and the hours of work will be 6-7 p.m. 4 nights per week and 7- 8 p.m on one night per week (Tuesday) due a school letting commitment.

If you are interested in finding out more please call into the school office for further details. This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people / vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This position is subject to a criminal records check from the Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly CRB) which will require you to disclose details of all unspent and unfiltered spent reprimands, formal warnings, cautions and convictions in your application form.

It is an offence to apply for this position if you are barred from engaging in regulated activity.

<https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Safeguarding-Policy-23-24.pdf>



CFLP Leadership Forum

On Thursday morning we took five representatives from Knypersley First School to Springhead Primary School to take part in our first ever Pupil Forum.

During the morning the five representatives delivered a presentation focused on 'What Makes Knypersley First School Special'. The children spoke about how 'we are one big family' and how 'we love and care for each other'. The leaders also shared pictures of our fantastic PE resources such as our swimming pool, forest school facilities and much more.

The leaders represented our school exceptionally



well, from their manners to their communication skills they really were Knypersley through

and through!



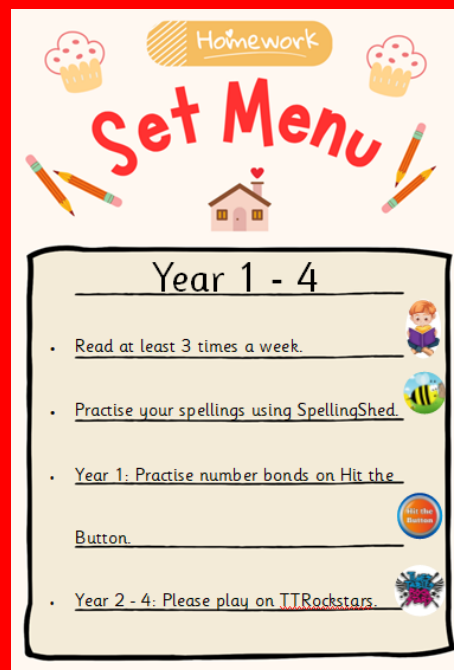


After our recent consultation regarding homework. The results are in!

Over 80% of respondents told us they feel that the set menu items already on offer to our children and the jam-packed days of learning which take place every day here at Knypersley, means that no more homework is appropriate at this point.

A strong message that family time is a priority for many families came over very clearly. After discussion and reflection on all comments, homework here at Knypersley will now be:

SET MENU



For pupils who we feel additional work at home may well be beneficial, we will contact you to offer support and guidance on a 1:1 basis.

If you feel your child would benefit from more work at home please contact your class teacher via Arbor, telephone or via the weekly parent drop-in sessions.



Knypersley First School Proudly Presents...

Christmas in the Spotlight

WE KNOW THAT DECEMBER CAN BE A BUSY TIME OF YEAR, WE HAVE CREATED THIS PAGE FOR YOU TO REFER TO IN ORDER TO SUPPORT YOU DURING THE LEAD UP TO CHRISTMAS.



NATIVITY WEEK

All nativity parts were sent home today!
Reminder that there will be a £1 pre-loved stall during the Christmas Markets to support with costume organisation and Christmas Jumper Day.

The children and staff of Knypersley First School proudly present...



'A Wiggly Nativity' performed by Nursery and Reception
11.12.2023 at 9:15am/ 2pm



'The Children's Christmas Drums' performed by Year 1
11.12.2023 at 6pm



'Ralph the Reindeer' performed by Year 2
12.12.2023 at 6pm



'It's CHRIIIISTMAAAAAS!' performed by Year 3
13.12.2023 at 6pm



'A Christmas Extravaganza' performed by Year 4
14.12.2023 at 6pm

All children will receive two tickets per family.
There may be an opportunity of more if some families only claim one.
Please keep a look out on Arbour for messages regarding this.



Up-coming Events



1st December PTFA non-uniform:

- EYFS - Donations of chocolates
- Key stage One - Donations of Sweets
- Key Stage Two- Donations of bottles



8th December: Save the Children 'Christmas Jumper Day'



15th December: Early Years Magician Visit (AM)



15th December: 2pm/ 18th December 9.30am/2pm
Grandparent's Sing-a-long



20th December: Autumn Term Reports out/ Christmas Dinner Day!



21st December: Christmas Class Party Day

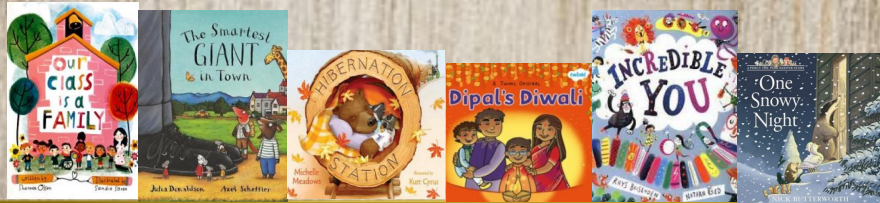


22nd December: Year 1 -4 Panto Trip
(School closed for Christmas)

Our Autumn Bookshelf!



Nursery



Reception



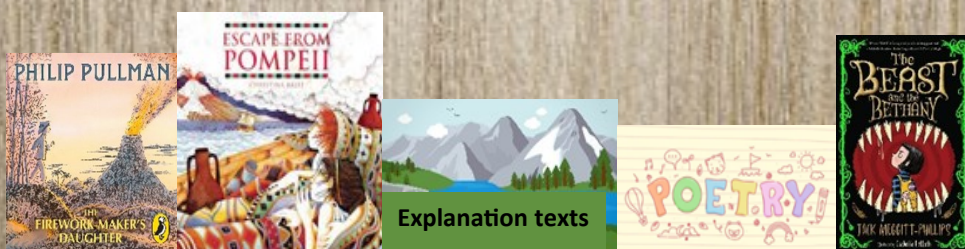
Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4