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The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



A message from Mrs Rourke...

Happy Friday all and what a Christmassy one it has felt! With the trees and classroom decorations out in full force it was so lovely to see the children's faces light up this morning on their arrival into classes. We have had lots of tiny visitors in classrooms too, with the arrival of those pesky elves, we will have to install extra cameras to keep them in check!

We have many exciting events coming up over the following few weeks please ensure you are regularly checking the school calendar in order to ensure your little ones do not miss out on any of the planned festivities: <https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/calendar/>

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who supported and attended our PTFA Christmas Markets last week it was such a huge success and a lovely way to start the festivities. With your help we raised a huge £500.82 profit this money will be used to purchase lots of exciting new resources for the children.

Today the Year 2 children visited the Manchester Airport Visitors Centre. Behaviour of the children was, as always, exceptional and we were so proud to hear this from numerous staff throughout the day. Well done to our Year 2 team! We would like to thank you for your on-going support with communication, please head over to our spotlight page this week for results and actions from our recent survey.

Have a lovely weekend, wrap up warm and keep your eyes peeled for those pesky elves!

Important dates coming soon...

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

15/12/2023

EYFS Magician am

Grandparents sing a long 2pm

18/12/2023

Grandparent sing a long 9.30am and 2pm

21/12/2023 Class Christmas Party Day!

22/12/2023

Year 1-4 Panto

22/12/2023

SCHOOL CLOSSES

Class	Attendance
Creative Caterpillars	94.4%
Busy Bees	95.5%
Class 2	95.1%
Class 3	94%
Class 4	97.2%
Class 5	96.5%
Class 6	96.8%
Class 7	95%
Class 8	96.6%
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 2**



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

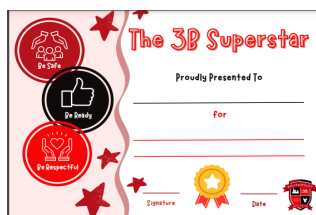
We will be taking the opportunity weekly to shine the spotlight on selected areas of our school webpage. This week we want to take the opportunity to direct you to our school **Leadership Page** <https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/school-council/>

Our Leadership Page celebrates the amazing personal development opportunities that our children have access to throughout their time with us. Please take a moment to visit our spotlight page this week.

Our whole school attendance target is 100%.

This week, our school attendance was: **95.7**

Rewards and Celebrations



Class 2- Poppy
Class 3- Leo-James
Class 4- William
Class 5- Nova
Class 6- Jenson
Class 7- Elliott
Class 8- Jessie
Class 9- Olivia

Nursery- Bryonie
Creative Caterpillars- Logan
Busy Bees- Oscar
Class 2- Elizabeth
Class 3- Harvey
Class 4- Charlie
Class 5- Leo
Class 6- Ibrahim
Class 7- Esmay
Class 8- Cory
Class 9- Lewis

Nursery- Molly
Creative Caterpillars- Charly
Busy Bees- William
Class 2- Willow
Class 3- Cleo
Class 4- Olivia
Class 5- Travis
Class 6- Joshua
Class 7- Poppy
Class 8- Elliott
Class 9- Sienna



Achievements Outside of School...

This week our House
Team winner are....

FIRE





Dougie Mac: Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 8th December we will be taking part in the annual Christmas Jumper Day in partnership with Dougie Mac. If your child would like to take part in our non-uniform

Christmas Jumper day please use the following link to make a donation to Dougie Mac <https://www.justgiving.com/page/charlotte-bailey-1701275355217?newPage=true>

National Online Safety

We've continued our membership with National Online Safety!

You can use it to access fantastic courses to keep you and your families e-safe!

Download the apps or access it online using the following link

<https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/knypersley-first-school>

Choose parent and enjoy all of the amazing resources!

Thanks for your continued support!

Inside our PTFA Christmas Markets...





Knypersley in the Spotlight...



Communication Survey



Thank you very much for your engagement in our recent communication survey. On a whole the outcomes were very positive and where indications were made for improvements we have reflected on these and would like to share the outcomes of the survey with you.

Feedback suggested:

Messages felt as though they lack personalisation

Drop-in sessions were not being used regularly

On some days multiple messages were being received from numerous school organisations i.e. class, clubs and admin.

Messages are sometimes missed by staff.

Actions from this:

Staff are feeling much more confident with Arbour and are excited to increase praise messages for individuals and for the whole class!

To support personalisation of communication and relationships we encourage you to use your child's class drop in regularly. Please see the below table for information around days and timings for drop-ins.

Staff are sharing messages sent throughout the day with each other to limit, where possible, how many are sent to one family per day.

Our admin team check Arbour daily to ensure all messages are seen and responded to. Staff have been trained on how to download their classes communication log and do so each morning.

Can we ask to support us with seeing messages that are specific to staff members by adding their name to the beginning of a message, for example:

Mrs Minton: Please can I request a phone call when you are free. Thank you Miss Leese.

Year Group Drop-In Sessions

Please message via Arbour to arrange a phone call/ drop-in with your child's class teacher on their year group assigned night:



EYFS: Thursday

Year 1: Monday

Year 2: Wednesday

Year 3: Wednesday

Year 4: Thursday



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



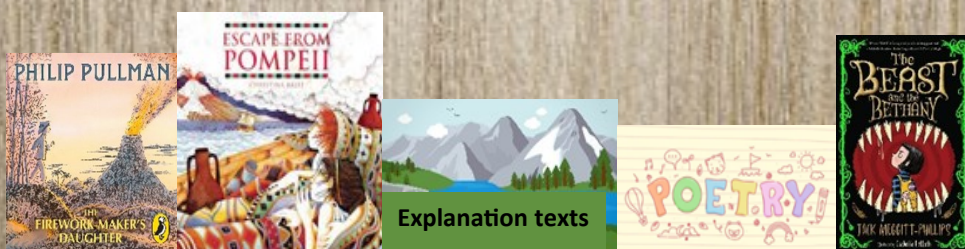
Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4