

15/12/2023



The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



A message from Mrs Rourke...

What a fantastic week we have had here at Knypersley hosting an exceptional range of Nativities and Christmas Extravaganza events. The support and positive feedback from our families has been very much appreciated and we hope that you all enjoyed the events as much as we did.

I would like reiterate my thanks to our dedicated PTFA members for their hamper raffles and our fabulous staff for their hard work preparing their classes for the events.

With just 1 week left before we close for Christmas please can I encourage you to check the school calendar for details of events such as our parties and panto to ensure we are all ready to celebrate next week.

Alongside our busy in school calendar our choir made a special visit to Park Lane Nursing Home on Monday to sing for the Residents. To see how many eyes lit up and smiles appeared when the children arrived was simply wonderful.

Our Nursery also visited the home on Thursday to drop off gifts they had made and to also sing a few of their nativity favourites. Well done to them all.

I hope Christmas preparations are going well for you all, have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Rourke

Important dates coming soon...

18/12/2023

Grandparent sing a long 9.30am and 2pm

20/12/2023 Autumn reports out

21/12/2023 Class Christmas Party Day! (non-uniform)

22/12/2023

Year 1-4 Panto

22/12/2023

SCHOOL CLOSES

8/1/2023 School Reopens

Class	Attendance
Creative Caterpillars	94.3%
Busy Bees	94.3%
Class 2	94.9%
Class 3	94%
Class 4	96.4%
Class 5	96.2%
Class 6	96.4%
Class 7	94.5%
Class 8	96.6%
Class 9	95.6%

This Week's winner is: **Class 8**



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

On our return we will be following **week 1** of the new menu.



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 'English Curriculum' webpage.

<https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/english/>

Miss Mountford, our English leader, ensures that all our children have the best possible start to reading and writing and instil a love of reading right from nursery.

Please take a moment to visit our spotlight page this week.

Our whole school attendance target is 100%.

This week, our school attendance was: **95.4%**

Rewards and Celebrations



Class 2- Jessica

Class 3- Lily-Rae

Class 4- Rosie

Class 5- Liam

Class 6- Samuel

Class 7- Harley

Class 8- Lucy

Class 9- Daisy Rose

Nursery- Isla

Creative Caterpillars- James

Busy Bees- Zydan

Class 2- Otis

Class 3- Rowan

Class 4- Joshua

Class 5- Emily

Class 6- Bobby

Class 7- Scarlett

Class 8- Tilly

Class 9- Kami-Jay

Nursery- Max

Creative Caterpillars- Leo

Busy Bees- Rohan

Class 2- Olivia

Class 3- Elsie

Class 4- Alyssia

Class 5- Olivia

Class 6- All of Class 6

Class 7- Sienna

Class 8- Archie

Class 9- All of Class 9



This week our House
Team winner are.....



Achievements Outside of School...

We are so proud of all of our home achievement awards this week and have enjoyed celebrating them within our classroom while the hall is being used for some extra special performances! Thank you for your support with celebrating awards from home this term it has been amazing to see the range of experiences our children have outside of school!



For more information regarding holiday activities and food over the Christmas Period please see <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Educational-awards-benefits/Holiday-activities-and-food/HAF-Timetables.aspx&StaffordshireMoorlands>

School Volunteers

We are always looking to extend our volunteer team in school. There are a range of areas that we would like to invite you to volunteer to support with (subject to a DBS check) such as :

- Swimming support
- Daily learning resource support i.e 1:1 readers/ learning resources support
- PTFA
- School Events i.e Coffee Morning/ trips

If you are interested to learn more or to apply please speak to Mrs Taylor in the school office and collect a pack!

Staffordshire Connects

We encourage you to take a moment to explore the wealth of support and information available to all families via Staffordshire Connects. <https://www.staffordshireconnects.info/kb5/staffordshire/directory/home.page>

Staffordshire Connects aims to direct families to agencies that can support in a range of different ways such as:

- Housing and Finances
- SEND and Inclusion
- Health and Wellbeing
- Funded hours for Nursery aged children

We encourage you to take time to access the support that you can gain through Staffordshire Connects and if you feel you would like more clarity or support please feel free to contact school.

A PTFA Appreciation Box...

Our PTFA work tirelessly to ensure the children at Knypersley First School have additional funds to access lots of exciting opportunities and resources throughout the year. Here are a few things that the PTFA have been able to both organise and support with funding towards in the past 6 months...



- Traditional baking experience
- Year 4 leavers treats
- Funded travel costs for a number of trips
- Two new Tonie boxes for the EYFS
- Support towards the EYFS Magician and the Pantomime costings
- Space Dome day

If you would like to become a part of our fantastic PTFA please email for more information

knypersley.ptfa@cflptrust.co.uk

Thank you for your support

and much more! We are so grateful to all of our members for their hard work and dedication to the school.

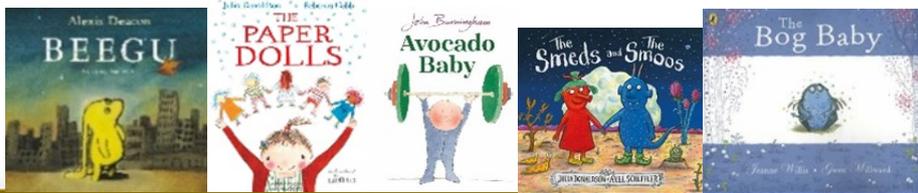
Our Spring Bookshelf!



Nursery



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Our Autumn Bookshelf!



Nursery



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4