

12.01.2024



The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



A message from Mrs Rourke...

Welcome back Everyone and Happy New Year from Team Knypersley. We hope you have all had a lovely break and are raring to go for the Spring term- we certainly are!

On my walks around the school this week it is very clear that children have returned very ready to learn and the work shared with me this week has been excellent. We have welcomed a new January intake of Nursery pupils who again have done so well to settle quickly and make some new friends. Clubs are up and running and it is great to see children choosing new opportunities to challenge themselves and learn new things.

Sadly I attended the funeral of Mrs Eunice Mountford this week who was a member of staff here for well over 30 years. She retired only a few years ago and Knypersley First was simply her life. To celebrate this the family have requested that donations in memory of Eunice were made to our school. I will work closely with the family to ensure this is used appropriately and share this as I know more.

Can I remind you all that we have a PTFA meeting this Tuesday at 5.30 p.m. and warmly invite you to join us. We have a great team of volunteers who would welcome more help and ideas. The work of the PTFA is invaluable, for example at Christmas we raised £1015.19 via all of the nativity raffles- this is just brilliant.

Have a great weekend everyone

Mrs Rourke

Important dates coming soon...

12/1/2024 Year 2 Forest School starts

22/1.2024 SEND PLP meeting week

31/1/2024 3:30pm Parents Evening

1/02/2024 5:30pm Parent's Evening

5/2/2024 Faith in Focus Week

6/2/24 Safer Internet Day

7/2/24 Young Voices

8/9/24 PTFA disco

Class Attendance

Creative Caterpillars	94.2%
Busy Bees	93.8%
Class 2	94.2%
Class 3	94.2%
Class 4	96.4%
Class 5	95.8%
Class 6	96.5%
Class 7	94.5%
Class 8	96.7%
Class 9	95.3%

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 2** of the new **January-July** 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/>

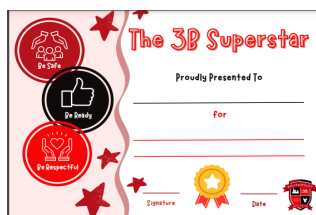
Miss Mountford, our English leader, ensures that all our children have the best possible start to reading and writing and instil a love of reading right from nursery.

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

Our whole school attendance target is 100%.

This week, our school attendance was: **95.2%**

Rewards and Celebrations



Class 2- Ryan
Class 3- Florence
Class 4- Alyssia
Class 5- Hollie-Mae
Class 6- Jessica
Class 7- Sienna
Class 8- Euan
Class 9- Summer

Nursery- Lola
Creative Caterpillars-Alex
Busy Bees- Lily
Class 2- Alesse
Class 3- Isla M
Class 4- Della
Class 5- Hakeem
Class 6- Alfie
Class 7- Lilly
Class 8- Ronnie
Class 9- Elijah

Nursery- Harry J
Creative Caterpillars- Hugo
Busy Bees- Millie
Class 2- Aryanna
Class 3- Blake
Class 4- Lucas
Class 5- Jenson
Class 6- William
Class 7- Arlo
Class 8- Oliver
Class 9- Tyler



This week our House
Team winner are....



AIR

Achievements Outside of School....





Phoneline Migration

Phone lines will be down at points throughout the day on **Tuesday 23rd January**. Please use Arbor to communicate if you are having difficulties reaching us.

Thank you for your support.

School Uniform

As we start the New Year we ask for your support in ensuring that correct uniforms are worn at all times for example, please no trainers or coloured sports hoodies.

Please take a moment to check our school uniform policy <https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/CFLP-KNYP-School-Uniform-Policy-2022.pdf>

Staff will be checking uniform in the morning and will offer advice/ support where required. If you require support with school uniform please do not hesitate to ask.

Reception 2024 Applications

Does your child turn 4 before September 2024?

Applications for our school reception are open and will close on **January 15th 2024**. All admission requests need to be completed via Staffordshire Online Application Services.

If you require support with your application please speak to the school office.

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 free to ask in school.

Volunteers

Year 1 are seeking a volunteer to support with changing during their swimming sessions every **Monday from 1:30pm—3pm**.

Reception are seeking a volunteer who is willing to be in the swimming pool with the children every **Wednesday morning 9am—11:30am**

If you are interested in supporting with either of the above sessions please speak to the school office.



The 'Knypersley News'
Learning together, learning for life!





KNYPERSLEY FIRST SCHOOL EYFS TOURS 23-24

Is your child turning 3 or 4 before September 2024?



**COME AND JOIN OUR EYFS TEAM FOR A TOUR
OF OUR SCHOOL. A BRILLIANT OPPORTUNITY
FOR YOU TO ASK QUESTIONS AND TO SEE OUR
EYFS PROVISION**



Dates and Times:

- THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY: 4:00PM
- THURSDAY 25TH JANUARY: 1:30PM
- WEDNESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY
1:30PM
- FRIDAY 15TH MARCH 9:30AM
- WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL 4PM
- THURSDAY 2ND MAY 1:30PM
- TUESDAY 14TH MAY 9:30AM

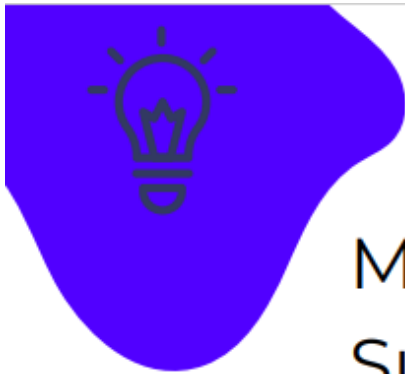


To book a slot
please ring the
school office
on:
01782 973810

Reception Admission Dates

If your child turns 4 before September 2024, please
apply by the 15th January 2024 via Staffordshire
Admissions for a place in our Reception 2024 cohort.
Admissions will open on 1st November 2023.





Mental Health Support Team


PARENTAL SUPPORT SESSION

**2PM WEDNESDAY 17.01.2024
AT KNYPERSLEY FIRST SCHOOL**

We are offering parents/ carers a chance to gain an understanding on how best to support a child with their worries (anxiety). Mark Wynn from the Mental Health Support Team will deliver advice adapted from Creswell & Willetts 2019 supporting children's mental health model.

Please call the school office to book your place.

 01782 973810

 Knypersley First School

**Book your place via
the school office.**



Our Spring Bookshelf!



Nursery



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3

