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The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



A message from Mrs Rourke...

Firstly may I thank you for your co operation and support this week with the very icy and cold conditions- communication has run very smoothly and most importantly everyone is safe, well and warm!

If you still have any issues accessing or using Arbor we will be running Arbor support sessions via phone or face to face in the coming weeks. Please call the school office before Wednesday 24th January with your availability and we will assign a member of staff to support you through any worries or issues you currently have.

I am sorry to inform you that Mrs Porter who is currently a teaching assistant in Year 2 will be leaving us at the end of January, we will miss her terribly, however now that her children are grown up she would like to explore new things, therefore we wish her well on her new adventures!

Thank you to parents who joined us for our Mental Health Support Team workshop this week we hope you found it useful. If this is something you are interested in look out for more dates on our school calendar.

As Miss Leese has grown into her new role I have been overseeing the role of Designated Safeguarding Lead at Knypersley First. Although I will remain on the safeguarding team as a Deputy Safeguarding Lead Miss Leese will now become the Designated Lead.

Our Team will now be: Designated Lead for safeguarding Miss L Leese, Deputy Designated Leads Mrs A Rourke, Mrs N Minton and Miss A Mountford. You can find out more about our roles and safeguarding by visiting our safeguarding area on the school website here: <https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/safeguarding-2/>

Finally thank you to our Student Council Reps who represented our school at the Biddulph School Forum on Wednesday to talk about the town improvement plans. They contributed with maturity and confidence and were a credit to our school.

Important dates coming soon...

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

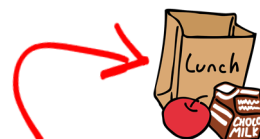
8/2/24 PTFA Disco

9/2/24 Forest School Year 2 parents **Class 4 9.30am / Class 5 1.30pm**

9/2/24 School closes for Half Term

19/2/24 INSET DAY

20/2/24 Pupils return



Class Attendance

Creative Caterpillars	94%
Busy Bees	94.1%
Class 2	94.2%
Class 3	94.3%
Class 4	96.4%
Class 5	96.6%
Class 6	96.6%
Class 7	94.6%
Class 8	96.7%
Class 9	95.4%

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 3** 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 policies.

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

Our school policies are integral to ensuring that Knypersley First School's offer for all children remains clear and consistent in order to create a safe and happy space to learn and grow.

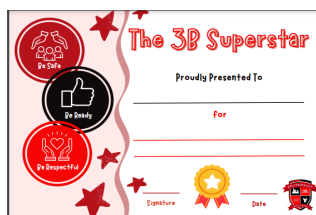
Please take a moment to visit our spotlight page this week.

Thank you

Our whole school attendance target is 100%.

This week, our school attendance was: **95.3%**

Rewards and Celebrations



Class 2- Alfie
Class 3- Joe
Class 4- Leila
Class 5- Nevaeh
Class 6- Oscar
Class 7- James
Class 8- Lucy
Class 9- Noa

Nursery- Henry
Creative Caterpillars- Daisy
Busy Bees- Scarlett
Class 2- Evelyn
Class 3- Leo-James
Class 4- Isla
Class 5- Ben
Class 6- All of Class 6
Class 7- Polly
Class 8- Jessie
Class 9- Benji

Nursery- Nancy
Creative Caterpillars- Charly
Busy Bees- Leo N
Class 2- Brooke
Class 3- Isla
Class 4- Ethan
Class 5- Amelia
Class 6- Leo
Class 7- All of Class 7
Class 8- Joshua
Class 9- Lewis



This week our House
Team winner are....



EARTH

Achievements Outside of School....





Knypersley in the Spotlight...

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.

Life Stream Church Carpark

Reminder that the carpark is only open for Knypersley First School between the times of:

8:30-9:00am

3:00-3:30pm

After the times above the carpark does have to be secured along with any vehicles remaining.

Please be mindful of parking on the road and ensure you park safely and responsibly.

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.

Parents' Evening

You can now book your Parent's Evening slot online via Arbor.

Wednesday 31st January 3:30pm- 5pm

Thursday 1st February 5pm - 6:30pm

If you cannot make any of the set days please speak to your child's class teacher.

We do encourage you, where possible, to come without children so that teachers are able to have honest conversations around development and any support that might be required.

Thank you.



FRIDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2024

NSPCC Number Day

We will be hosting our annual Number Day where children are invited to come into school wearing their favourite number. Throughout the day the children will take part in many exciting activities linked to numbers. We will be raising money on the day to support the NSPCC (QR code to follow).

SCHOLASTIC

Book Fairs

Your 2024 Book Fair is confirmed

Friday 15th March—Wednesday 20th March
from 3:30pm in the school hall.

Healthy Eating



At Knypersley First School we have set a New Years Resolution linked to Healthy Lifestyles. During dinnertimes staff have been busy encouraging children to try new foods and to make healthy well-balanced meal choices.



We would like your support to ensure that our Healthy Lifestyle New Years Resolution continues, please use the below information to help your child to make informed and healthier choices at home and in school.

Lunch Menu Webpage Support

For more information regarding healthy eating in schools and at home please use our School Lunch tab on the webpage or speak to your child's class teacher.

<https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/lunch-menu/>

We will be on the look out for healthy lunch boxes to share with you! Here is Darcy from Year 4 eating a healthy selection of fruit and vegetables.



Well done to Levi for making a healthy choice for his pudding during dinnertime this week!





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.



Our Spring Bookshelf!



Nursery



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3

