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# The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



## A message from Mrs Rourke...

This week has been a busy one for Team Knypersley with so many wonderful learning opportunities taking place. I have spent some time in year 4 this week observing lessons and learning all about importing and exporting foods and also listened to them having their brass lesson yesterday in which they were all starting to sound rather good!

We are currently experiencing high levels of illness across the town and I urge you to read the letter sent out about measles and the imperative need for us all to be vaccinated. Next week we will be revisiting all forms of good hygiene with the children including the promotion of the 'Catch it, bin it, kill it' message, frequent and effective handwashing and the use of hand sanitiser. I will be monitoring all forms of absence and urge you to report all absence and the reasons for it quickly to help us keep track of any patterns and trends which may emerge. Please be reassured this is all as a precautionary measure and overall our attendance this week has been good.

Next week we will be holding our parents evenings and we really have so much to share with you so please do try to attend. I have asked staff to contact you directly if you do not attend to accommodate a meeting with you at a convenient time.

Finally after a long period of absence Mrs Beckett has decided to resign from her post as Classteacher at Knypersley First. Just to reassure you, Mrs Beckett is well and wishes to explore new opportunities. She has worked at Knypersley for the whole of her teaching career and she has dedicated herself to our school and our children with integrity, professionalism and dedication. I thank her on behalf of everyone here at Knypersley and we all wish her well

Many thanks for your continued support.

## 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	93.9%
Busy Bees	94.1%
Class 2	93.8%
Class 3	94.4%
Class 4	96.4%
Class 5	96.1%
Class 6	96.4%
Class 7	94.6%
Class 8	96.8%
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 1** 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 calendar](#).

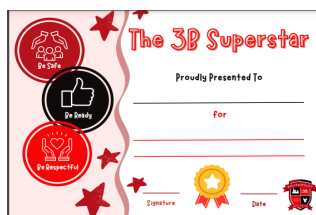
We have ensured that all events have been added to the calendar inline with our dates for the whole year. We do encourage you to check the calendar often as we do plan extra surprises along the way.

Thank you

**Our whole school attendance target is 100%.**

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

# Rewards and Celebrations



Class 2- Tilly  
Class 3- Serenity  
Class 4- Oliver  
Class 5- Mason  
Class 6- Finn  
Class 7- Sam  
Class 8- Indianna  
Class 9- Pippa

Nursery- Amelia L  
Creative Caterpillars- Hugo  
Busy Bees- Sam  
Class 2- All of class 2  
Class 3- Louie  
Class 4- Hollie-Bea  
Class 5- Emilie  
Class 6- Harriet  
Class 7- Jack  
Class 8- Emily  
Class 9- Jay

Nursery- Maisie  
Creative Caterpillars- Henry  
Busy Bees- Finley  
Class 2- Harlan  
Class 3- Alayah  
Class 4- Charlie  
Class 5- Amber  
Class 6- Lilah  
Class 7- Lilly  
Class 8- Darcie  
Class 9- Charlie



This week our House  
Team winner are....



AIR

## Achievements Outside of School....



We have signed up to the education staff wellbeing charter because staff wellbeing matters



Knypersley in the Spotlight...

### Spelling shed

After a recent review of access to spelling shed it seems not many are using this resource at home. Spelling Shed is a valuable resource that we encourage you to use in-line with your child's homework set menu. If you require any support in accessing Spelling Shed please speak to your child's class teacher.

### Safeguarding Newsletter

Our Spring Safeguarding Newsletter is now live on the Knypersley First School webpage. Please take a moment to read our [Spring Safeguarding Newsletter](#).

Thank you for your continued support.

Number  
Day 2024

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, please [click here](#) to make a donation.

SCHOLASTIC  
Book Fairs

Your 2024 Book Fair is confirmed

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

### Morning Contact Update

We have noticed that there has been an increasing amount of late arrivals in a morning. This has meant that the office has become very busy. Mrs Taylor is trying hard to return calls, sign in children and to ensure registers are all completed on time. To support Mrs Taylor and to ensure children are signed into school as quickly as possible we will be turning on the voicemail service in the office from **9:00-9:20am**. Please leave a message or alternatively contact us via Arbor between those times.

Millie our school's attendance support officer will be in the office over the up and coming weeks to offer any support required around lateness and attendance.

Thank you for your support and understanding

Families' Health and Wellbeing

## School Nurse Community drop in



For parents/  
carers of 5-19's  
and young  
people not in  
education

1st & 3rd  
Wednesday  
of the month  
1-30-4.30pm

The School Nurse

is here to help your child feel healthy, happy and safe during their school years and to get the best from their education. If you have any concerns about their health and wellbeing please drop in to chat.

Leek Moorlands Hospital  
Ashbourne Road, Leek  
Staffs ST13 5BQ

We provide a confidential and friendly service

[www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/health-visiting-and-school-nursing](http://www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/health-visiting-and-school-nursing)



# Positive Behaviour Management at Knypersley First School

As I am sure you are aware, from September 2023 we launched our new school expectations the '3B's'.

The **3B's** were created following a staff training session carried out during February 2023 inset day. We formulated the 3Bs from discussions around wanting our learners to feel **safe**, **ready** to learn and **respected** at all times.

## Important things you need to know about our 3Bs

- The 3B's run all through our school starting in Nursery and leading all the way into Year 4. This ensures expectations remain the same for all children
- The children created their own version of the 3Bs for their classrooms in September and have been embedding positive behaviour for learning since.
- The school has seen a significantly lower amount of behaviour incidences since the 3B's were launched.
- The 3B expectations link to our classroom behaviour ladders. Any behaviour that is deemed not in-line with expectations will be addressed in-line with restorative behaviour management and follows a set script for reflecting on behaviour.

## Here are a few things our children said about our 3Bs...

"The hall is much more quieter and everyone listens. It is a calmer place to eat dinner"

- Archie Class 8

"I moved up the ladder for being ready to learn! I was sitting nicely"

- Rosalyn Class 5




"The 3Bs are the most important rules in the school. They keep us safe and respectful and ready"

- Leighton Class 6

"The schools behaviour has completely gone up since the 3Bs! I am happier in school with the rules!"

- Pippa Class 9

For more information around the 3B's please read our Positive Behaviour Policy <https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Knypersley-Positive-Behaviour-Policy-23-24-5.pdf>

A vibrant invitation card for a Spring Disco at Knypersley First School. The card features a decorative border of various flowers including red poppies, purple daisies, and pink roses. The text is centered and uses a mix of fonts: a simple sans-serif for the school name and dates, and a large, elegant script for the event title. The background is a light cream color, and the entire card is framed by a red border with a white scalloped edge. At the bottom corners, there are stylized yellow spotlights.

YOU ARE INVITED TO  
KNYPERSLEY FIRST SCHOOL'S

# *Spring Disco!*

THURSDAY 8TH FEBRUARY

**EYFS:** 2:45-3:45PM

**KEY STAGE ONE:** 3:45-4:45PM

**KEY STAGE TWO:** 4:45-5:45PM

Please drop children off for their disco at the main school office. Collection will be from the normal end of day door.

**£3.50 ENTRY FEE INCLUDES:**

DISCO, HOT DOG, DRINK, SWEETS AND A  
GLOW STICK

Please send in your child's entry fee in a  
named envelope.

Please support teachers by adding the exact  
cost.



# Our Spring Bookshelf!



## Nursery



## Reception



## Year 1



## Year 2



## Year 3

