

02.02.2024

A message from Mrs Rourke...

Thank you to everyone who has attended our parents evenings this week either in person or by telephone. We hope you have found them useful. If you need to follow up anything from those meetings or wish to catch up more frequently with your child's class teacher please don't forget to use our weekly drop in sessions which are as follows:

Nursery/ Reception/ Year 2/ Year 3/ SENDco- Wednesday, **Year 1-** Monday, **Year 4** -Thursday

If those times are not convenient please feel free to contact us via Arbor or telephone to book a time to suit you.

Well done to our Reception classes who both ventured out to the Library in Biddulph this week to learn about our community and to make themselves members of the library. They told me all about the books they had been looking at and they all came back feeling very grown up!

As we say good bye to Mrs Porter today, we welcome Mrs Bethany Blanchard who will be joining us as our Class 5 Teaching Assistant. She has already been into school to meet the class and start to get to know us all.

Next week is yet another busy one for us all with the main events being our Year 2 parents forest school sessions on Friday 9th Feb, our attendance at the Young Voices Concert at the AO Arena on Wednesday 7th and the Spring Disco on Thursday 8th. Pick up arrangements after each disco have been changed so please check the poster attached to the newsletter for details.

Finally thank you for your support for our number day. Here at Knypersley we just love Maths and today we have made the most of our time exploring lots of mathematical equipment and problem solving challenges. If you wish to make a donation to the NSPCC [please follow this link](#).

Have a great weekend everyone

Mrs Rourke and Team Knypersley

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



Important dates coming soon...

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

28/2/24 til 1/3/24 Standon Bowers Yr 4

7/3/24 World Book Day

12/3/24 Daffodil Service Year 3 parents 9.15am

Class Attendance

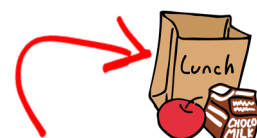
Creative Caterpillars	94%
Busy Bees	93.8%
Class 2	93.7%
Class 3	94.5%
Class 4	96.4%
Class 5	96.1%
Class 6	96.3%
Class 7	94.7%
Class 8	96.8%
Class 9	95.5%

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 calendar](#).

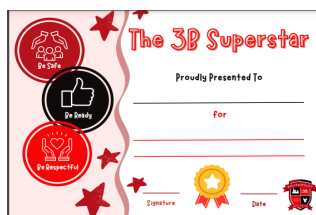
We have ensured that all events have been added to the calendar inline with our dates for the whole year. We do encourage you to check the calendar often as we do plan extra surprises along the way.

Thank you

Our whole school attendance target is 100%.

This week, our school attendance was: **95.26%**

Rewards and Celebrations



Class 2- Elizabeth

Class 3- Lily-Rae

Class 4- Aria

Class 5- Eliza

Class 6- Milo

Class 7- Sienna

Class 8- Mason

Class 9- Kami-Jay

Nursery- George

Creative Caterpillars- Charlie J

Busy Bees- All of BB

Class 2- Michael and Archie

Class 3- Jasmine

Class 4- Rosie

Class 5- Pearl

Class 6- Aalyeea

Class 7- James

Class 8- George

Class 9- Ellie

Nursery- Isabella

Creative Caterpillars- Logan

Busy Bees- William and Eddie

Class 2- Seb

Class 3- Joe B

Class 4- Ava

Class 5- Amelia N

Class 6- Oscar

Class 7- Sofia

Class 8- Freyja

Class 9- Toby



This week our House Team
winner are....



Achievements Outside of School....



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

Knypersley in the Spotlight...

Mental Health Support Team

As part of our Mental Health and Wellbeing offer in school we work in partnership with the Mental Health Support Team. Our MHST casework is Mark Wynn. Mark offers weekly sessions with parents where he works to support and reduce child anxiety. He draws upon research from Creswell & Willetts 2019 supporting children's mental health model.

If you feel you would like to learn more about MHST and what Mark could offer for your family please use the following link:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/mental-health/cyp/trailblazers/>

or you can speak to Miss Leese or your child's class teacher.

KidsZone

A polite reminder from the KidzZone team that pre-booking sessions is essential and we would like at least 24 hours notice. This is to ensure that we are correctly ratioed. To pre-book your KidzZone session please use the in-app message function on Arbor.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

SCHOLASTIC
Book Fairs

Your 2024 Book Fair is confirmed

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

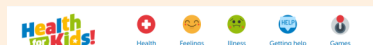


Staffordshire Connects is a valuable resource that we use frequently in school for direction to agencies that can support both professionals but also families too!

This week I would like to direct you to the healthy lifestyles section and share with you a recommended resource to promote a healthy lifestyle.

<https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/>

Health for Kids is a webpage recommended by Staffordshire Connects. It is a site aimed at children to focus on healthy minds and bodies. It is a fun and interactive way to educate your child on leading a healthier life.



Families' Health and Wellbeing

School Nurse Community drop in



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

2nd
Monday
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.

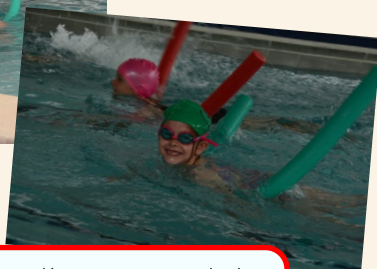
Biddulph Children's Centre
Albert Street
Biddulph ST8 6DT

We provide a confidential and friendly service

www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/health-visiting-and-school-nursing

Knypersley First School in the Spotlight

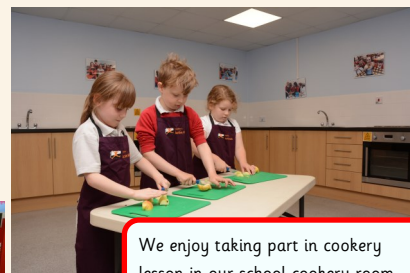
We enjoy spending time at Forest School! We have a slot throughout the year for a full half term with Mr Fox our forest school instructor



We are taught how to look after our friends and how to understand our own emotions. We have a core mental health offer in school.



Children swim weekly in our very own school swimming pool with Mrs Jones who is our qualified instructor.



We enjoy taking part in cookery lesson in our school cookery room.



We love to take part in PE lessons weekly!




Our school prioritises reading for pleasure. We have lots of exciting places to enjoy a story and to take home a library book.



We have many leadership roles in school. The children take an active role in ensuring our school is a happy and safe place to learn.

We like to spend time in the Early Years outside area and within the Nursery and Reception provision. Please contact the school office for a tour of our Early Years setting!



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

