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



A message from Mrs Rourke...

Welcome back everyone we hope you all had a great half term break. The children have been exceptional this week, settling back in very swiftly and demonstrating exemplary behaviour too. As you are aware this week has been our 'Faith in Focus' week where we have shone a light onto a range of religions, their beliefs, practices and key symbols. All of our children have been out visiting local places of worship, with year 2 visiting Stoke Central Mosque last Tuesday.

I have been particularly delighted to see the impact of this week by listening to some very mature debates and discussions between our children, especially in KS2. The level of questioning, tolerance and inclusivity demonstrated by our children is a lesson to us all..

I would like to thank both Rev Fraser from St John's Church, Mr M Iqbal from City Central Mosque and Pastor Liz and Pastor Mark Holdcroft from Lifestream Church for hosting our children so well, it is so important for us to get out and learn about our community! Please take a moment to ask your child about their week and the religions they have focused on.

Next week our Year 4 children will be taking on the great adventures that Standon Bowers has to offer. We hope they have a great time and we look forward to hearing all of the amazing memories I am sure they will return with (reminder to grab extra washing tablets this weekend folks!)

Have a great weekend everyone.

Important dates coming soon...

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

14/3/24 Standon Bowers
parents evening 6pm

15/3/24-20/3/24 Book fair
3.30pm in the Hall

21/3/24 Class photos

22/3/24 Forest school
parent engagement

Busy Bees 9.45am

Caterpillars 1.30pm

Class	Attendance
Creative Caterpillars	94.2%
Busy Bees	93.9%
Class 2	93.9%
Class 3	94.6%
Class 4	96.6%
Class 5	96.2%
Class 6	96.5%
Class 7	94.5%
Class 8	96.9%
Class 9	95.5%

This Week's
winner is:
Class 8

Please follow the following link <https://www.knipersley.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.knipersley.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](#).

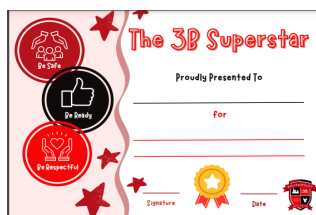
We have ensured that all events have been added to the calendar inline with our dates for the whole year. We do encourage you to check the calendar often as we do plan extra surprises along the way.

Thank you

Our whole school attendance target is 96.5%.

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

Rewards and Celebrations



Class 2- Aryanna

Class 3- Olivia

Class 4- Logan C

Class 5- Ruari

Class 6- Kinleigh-Mai

Class 7- Sienna

Class 8- Noah

Class 9- Daisy-Rose

Nursery- Isabelle M

Creative Caterpillars- Ivy-Rose

Busy Bees- Miguel

Class 2- Marnie

Class 3- James

Class 4- Poppy B

Class 5- All of Class 5

Class 6- Cody

Class 7- Jaxon

Class 8- Reuben

Class 9- Sam

Nursery- Macy

Creative Caterpillars- Charlie

Busy Bees- Isla

Class 2- Michael

Class 3- Ava

Class 4- All class 4

Class 5- Harry

Class 6- Amelia W

Class 7- Jack

Class 8- Darcy C

Class 9- Summer



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



EARTH

Achievements Outside of School....





Knypersley in the Spotlight...



P.T.F.A
PARENT, TEACHER,
FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

The PTFA would like to offer their warmest welcome to you during their up and coming meeting on Tuesday **27th Feb at 5:30pm** in school.

Everybody is welcome to join the meetings (it's a great reason to take part in a sit down with a warm drink and a biscuit). We will be discussing up and coming events and also sharing ideas around how past funds are going to be used to enable our children to get the absolute best from our school.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Daffodil Service Reminder

Reminder for **Year 3** parents/ carers that we will be holding our annual Daffodil Assembly on **Tuesday 12th March at 9:15am.**

We look forward to seeing you all there!



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 [‘Emotional Health and Wellbeing’](#) section. Within this section you will find a range of offers within our community that offer support for adults and young children.

Looking after your emotional health and wellbeing is vital and there is a wide ranging network of support that you or your child can access listed within the above mentioned section on Staffordshire Connects.

If you would like any further support please speak to Miss Leese/ Mrs Minton.

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

Faith in Focus Week

During our Faith in Focus week we have been exploring different religions in order to promote British Values. Our intent is to inform our children and to foster respect, tolerance, understanding and a wider sense of curiosity about other faiths and religions.

As part of our week, we have been to visit local churches, exploring world view where people have no specific faith. We are so proud of how the children have communicated their ideas and beliefs with the highest levels of respect. The classrooms have offered immersive experiences in order for children to gain a fuller understanding of the range of traditions and routines different religions have.

Our Year 2 children were fortunate enough to visit a Mosque which was a new and exciting opportunity for many of them. Again it was reported back that the children showed the upmost respect while on their visit and returned to school with a much clearer understanding of a Mosque and it's importance to many.

All other classes had the opportunity throughout the week to visit our local churches, a huge thank you to St Johns Church and Lifestream Church who welcomed the children into their special place of worship. The children used the time within the Churches to explore key features and gain a full understanding of how Christians worship.



"I enjoyed learning all about my friends religion. He shared a lot with me like how to write in Arabic and how to pray with all of his special things like a prayer mat and beads. I really enjoyed it!" **Louie Class 4**

"Everyone of my friends went to a Mosque with me. They were very respectful and it made me feel very happy. I got to share how I pray and my special prayer mat and beads. My friends were very proud of me"

Hadi Class 4

"We liked going to the Church. We saw a stained glass window and our teacher spoke to us about what special events happen in a Church. We have learnt about Christians and their faith"

Creative Caterpillars

WORLD BOOK DAY

7 MARCH 2024

I ♥ BOOKS

Share a story!

Please can children bring their favourite bedtime story to school to talk about and share with their friends in class!

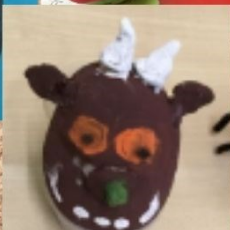
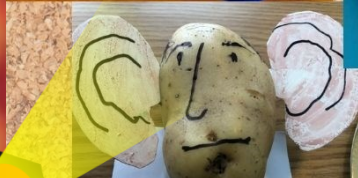
Weather Warning!

Children can wear their slippers when inside their classroom however please ensure that they have appropriate footwear and a warm coat to put on at play time.

Competition Time!

5 winners from across the school will be chosen for their 'favourite character potato' designs! We can't wait to see them displayed in the hall. Prizes will be a £5 voucher for our school book fair!

Entries to be brought into school on World Book Day.
(Thursday 7th March)
GOOD LUCK!!!



Our Spring Bookshelf!



Nursery



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3

