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# The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



## A message from Miss Leese...

Dear Parents and Carers,

WOW can you believe it, that's the Spring Term 2025 over and out. Too much has happened to mention in this short section, please see this week's spotlight page to celebrate the Spring term with us all!

This week has been another productive and jam-packed one. The children have taken part in community events, Easter Bonnet Parades and art workshops. Throughout the week, despite some very tired eyes, the children have continued to remain focused on learning and many have been to visit me for golden stickers and dips in the prize box!

A huge well done to our fantastic nursery and reception children who have taken part in their annual Easter Bonnet parade today. The children have been so excited all week to have their moment to shine in their very fancy bonnets and wow didn't they just shine bright. All of the staff within the EYFS would like to thank you all for your support in making your child's Easter bonnets. I would also like to thank the EYFS staff, having managed many early years performances myself, I can tell you with confidence it is not as easy as it may appear on the day—well done to them all!

During the week our fantastic PTFA members have been busy in the cookery room creating very special Easter treat cones for all of our children to take home as a thank you and a well earned reward. We have also had 'Name the Bunnies' and 'Guess the Chocolatey Amount' games running. The winners have been announced: Daisy the bunny was won by Michael in Class 4, Elvis bunny was won by Tilly in Nursery and finally guess the chocolatey amount was won by Reggie in Busy Bees! The EYFS bonnet raffle was won by Lola and Dougie. The PTFA raised a fantastic £141 over the last week.

As you are all aware today marks Mr Bloor's final day with Team Knypersley. Thank you all for your support in making his send off extra special, he thoroughly enjoyed the sea of red and white (as well as a few Vale fans stamping their mark too!) We would like to thank Mr Bloor for his dedication to the children and our school. I am sure you will all join me in wishing him all the best in his next adventure as he crosses the Cheshire border!

We also would like you to join us in saying a huge thank you and goodbye to the lovely Mrs Thwaites, our super swimming teacher. Mrs Thwaites has shared her passion for swimming and water safety with all of the children in school and they will miss her dearly. We would like to thank Mrs T for all of the care and passion she has shared with us all.

After half term we will welcome Miss Lunn back following her new arrival, Baby Emily and Miss Emery into Class 4. Please join us in ensuring they both feel welcomed to Team Knypersley.

We hope you have a happy, hoppy Easter break, lots of love from,

## Important dates coming soon

**28/4/25** School reopens

**30/4/25** Year 1 phonics parent engagement 2.30pm/5.30pm

**5/5/25** May Bank Holiday—school closed

**8/5/24** Year 1 Llandudno

**22/5/25** PTFA summer disco

**23/5/25** School closes

All above dates are taken directly from our school calendar. If you would like to see events past the dates listed above please visit our [school webpage](#)—calendar.

Class	Attendance
Creative Caterpillars	97.3%
Busy Bees	99.08%
Class 2	94.44%
Class 3	97.41%
Class 4	97.41%
Class 5	91.48%
Class 6	100%
Class 7	95.86%
Class 8	97.67%
Class 9	96.45%

This Week's winner is: **Class 6**



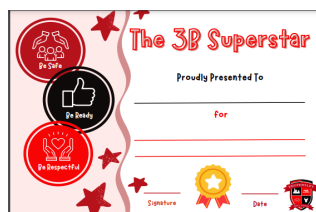
Our whole school attendance target is 96.5%  
This week, our school attendance was: **96.69%**



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 **Feb-July** menu.

# Rewards and Celebrations



**Creative Caterpillars— All of the class**

**Busy Bees— All of the class**

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**House Points**

# FIRE

**Achievements Outside of School...**





## Knypersley in the Spotlight...



### Staffordshire Connects

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 '[Keeping Safe](#)' section of the webpage.

This page will direct you to advice and support around keeping yourself and other people/ children within your community safe. If you have a safeguarding concern relating to a young person or adult please read the information on this section carefully.

If you would like support accessing any of the offered support within the page please contact a [DSL listed on our school webpage](#).

### Makaton Sign of the Week

We are working to become a communication friendly school. Some of the children that attend our school use Makaton as a way of communicating. To aid whole school communication we will be teaching the whole school a sign a week in partnership with

[Makaton.org](#).

Please see the below link to join in with our learning to aid communication across our school/ community.

Our House Captains will also demonstrate the Makaton sign during their weekly news round. The children will have multiple opportunities to rehearse the sign through Learning for Life assemblies and through daily interactions.

[Brother](#)

### Children First Learning Partnership Spring Newsletter

Mrs Rourke (CEO) would like to invite you to share the successes across our trust for this term by taking time to read our termly newsletter.

Our termly newsletter is a great way to stay up to date on what is happening within the trust. It is a fantastic insight into development opportunities offered to our fabulous teachers and leaders and most importantly our children.

<https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Spring-newsletter-2025-v2-Final.pdf>

### National Online Safety

Great news everyone!

We've continued our membership with National Online Safety!

You can use it to access fantastic courses to keep you and your families e-safe!

Download the apps or access it online using the following link

<https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/knypersley-first-school>.

Choose parent and enjoy all of the amazing resources!

Thanks for your continued support!

Mr Evans



### Plant Plea



Over the Summer term Mr Evans will be running an after school gardening club. To support the gardening club to brighten up the external areas ready for Summer, we are asking for donations of seasonal and perennial flowers. Our young gardeners will then plant the donations and week by week learn to care for each one correctly.

We would like to thank you in advance for your support with donations and with developing young gardeners of the future!



Goodbye Spring,  
Hello Summer!



CREATIVE CATERpillars WORLD  
BOOK DAY





# VE DAY CELEBRATION DAY 2025



Join us to celebrate 80 years since  
the end of the Second World War

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

We will be holding a commemorative day to celebrate and to show our respect for our war heroes. We invite children to come into school wearing **red, white and blue** clothes.

We will also be sharing with you, after the Easter break, a special picnic style lunch menu that the children will be offered on the day. If the weather holds out we hope to have lunch in a street party style on the school playground!

# WE ARE RECRUITING

*join our team*

## Health and Safety Link Governor Knypersley First School

We would welcome interested parents or members of the local community to express an interest if this is something that excites you. Our Local Advisory Board is seeking a member with experience working within or managing Health and Safety to fill this important position within our school leadership team.

We offer Link Governors access to a wealth of training and a broad and in-depth insight into our school. We welcome your views and your expertise and use them to guide us in our on-going development in order to get the very best for our learners.

**Please contact Mrs Taylor in the office on  
[k.taylor@cflptrust.co.uk](mailto:k.taylor@cflptrust.co.uk) / 01782 973810 to express your  
interest and to request more information.**



## **CFLP School Term and Holiday Dates 2025/2026**

### **Autumn Term 2025**

**INSET DAYS 1 AND 2:** Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd September 2025 (Staff only)

**Pupils:** Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 24th October

**October Half Term Holiday:** Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October

**INSET DAY 3** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November (Staff only)

**Staff and Pupils:** Tuesday 4th November – Friday 19 December

**Christmas Holiday:** Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January 2026

### **Spring Term 2026**

**Staff and Pupils:** Monday 5th January 2026 – Friday 13th February

**February Half Term:** Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

**Pupils:** Monday 23rd February – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

**Easter Holiday:** Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April

### **| Summer Term 2026**

**Staff and Pupils:** Monday 13th April – Friday 22nd May

**May Bank Holiday - School Closed:** Monday 4th May

**Half term:** Monday 25th May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

**INSET DAY 4:** Monday 1st June (Staff only)

**Pupils:** Tuesday 2nd June – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

**INSET DAY 5-** Monday 20th July (Staff only) Taken as Twilights

**Summer Holiday for pupils:** Monday 20th July -Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2026



# Our Spring Bookshelf!



## Nursery



## Reception



## Year 1



## Year 2



## Year 3



## Year 4