

26/09/2025



# The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



## A message from Miss Leese...

What a heartwarming week it's been here at school, full of generosity, celebration, and community spirit!

Our School Council, alongside the ever-wonderful Mrs Pet and the brilliant Miss Naughten, hosted our annual Big Hearty Brunch in support of the British Heart Foundation, our chosen charity of the year. The hall was filled with laughter, delicious sweet treats, and a whole lot of heart! Thank you to everyone who donated goodies and gave so generously, together from the brunch morning alone, we raised £451.35 to help make a difference. Your kindness never fails to amaze us!

We also had the joy of celebrating two very special members of our school family, Mrs Harvey and Mrs Hackney, who marked 25 years of dedicated service to our children and the world of education. Their commitment, warmth, and wisdom have shaped countless lives, and we are so lucky to have them. Congratulations to you both - you are true stars!

Looking ahead, we've got a busy calendar of exciting events coming up. Please take a moment to check the Spotlight pages so you're fully in the loop and can prepare ahead, we don't want anyone missing out.

A gentle reminder that Parent's Evening slots are now available to book via Arbor. If you need a helping hand, Mrs Taylor in the school office is happy to assist. Reminder for Class 5 families, please note your slots will be on **Tuesday 7th/ Thursday 9th October**, replacing the Wednesday 8th slot.

Have a great weekend,

Miss Leese and Team Knypersley

## Important dates coming soon...

**7.10.25** Parents Evening 3.30pm-5.30pm

**8.10.25** Parents Evening 5pm-6.30pm

**9.10.25** Academy photographs

**10.10.25** Break the rules day

**16.10.25** Harvest festival **Year 4** **9.10am**

**17.10.25** **Year 1** forest school engagement **Class 2** **9.30am/Class 3** **1.30pm**



| Class                 | Attendance |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Creative Caterpillars | 90.37%     |
| Busy Bees             | 92.94%     |
| Class 2               | 95%        |
| Class 3               | 96.4%      |
| Class 4               | 95.52%     |
| Class 5               | 95.36%     |
| Class 6               | 88.21%     |
| Class 7               | 93.33%     |
| Class 8               | 97.86%     |
| Class 9               | 97.33%     |



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 **sept-feb** menu.

## Attendance Policy Update

We have updated our school [Attendance Policy](#) in line with Government changes. As always we ask that you avoid holidays taken within the school year to support your child's learning journey. Please take time to read over our policy, please feel free to ask any questions that you may have.

**Our whole school attendance target is 96.5%**

This week, our school attendance was: **94.25%**

# Rewards and Celebrations



**Creative Caterpillars—  
Carter**

**Busy Bees— Connor**

**Class 2— Frankie**

**Class 3— Thea**

**Class 4— Sam**

**Class 5— Alex**

**Class 6— Harper**

**Class 7— Louie**

**Class 8— Millie**

**Class 9— Lucas**

**Nursery— Charlotte**

**Creative Caterpillars— Macy**

**Busy Bees— Chloe**

**Class 2— Poppy**

**Class 3— Henry**

**Class 4— Isabelle**

**Class 5— T-arna**

**Class 6— Alesse**

**Class 7— Joey**

**Class 8— Qamar**

**Class 9— Hadi**

**Nursery— Ralph**

**Creative Caterpillars— Teddy**

**Busy Bees— Poppy**

**Class 2— Matthew**

**Class 3— Cody**

**Class 4— Isla**

**Class 5— Luna**

**Class 6— Harlan**

**Class 7— Jacob**

**Class 8— Esra**

**Class 9— Max**



**House Points**



**Achievements Outside of School...**

Please see Facebook for photos of  
the achievements



Knypersley in the Spotlight...

# HARVEST FESTIVAL

Please could donations (tinned goods) to the Harvest Festival please be brought into school by Tuesday 14th October.

## OCT. 16

YEAR 4 PARENTS INVITED TO JOIN  
9:15AM START

WE ARE

# RECRUITING

*join our team*

## Lunchtime Supervisor

Proud to be part of the  
**Children First**  
Learning Partnership  
INSPIRING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER



We're looking for a friendly and reliable Lunchtime Supervisor to join our team from **January 2026!**

- 1 hour per day, term time only
- £12.45 per hour (Grade 2 SCP 3)

If you're interested — or know someone who might be — please contact the school office on **01782 973810** or email [office.knp@cflpttrust.co.uk](mailto:office.knp@cflpttrust.co.uk) for an application pack.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post is subject to:

- Enhanced DBS check
- Online social media screening
- Disclosure of relevant cautions, convictions, or warnings it is an offence to apply if barred from regulated activity.

### Safe Drop-Off & Collection Reminder

As always, the safety of our children is our top priority and we need your help to keep our school environment safe and calm during busy drop-off and pick-up times.

We kindly ask all parents and carers to keep children close by while waiting on the playground to prevent any accidents or injuries. Please remind your child that the play equipment is currently out of use while we await repairs, and should not be climbed on or used at this time.

Additionally, we ask that scooters and bikes are pushed once inside the school grounds to ensure everyone's safety, especially during those busy morning and afternoon moments.

Thank you for your continued support and care. Together, we can make sure every child arrives and leaves school safely and happily!

### PTFA Plea

#### Winter Fair Donations Appeal – Let's Make It Magical!

As we prepare for our much-loved **Winter Fair**, the PTFA is calling on your generosity to help us create a truly special event for our school community.

We're kindly asking for donations of the following items:

- **Clean jars** – perfect for our ever-popular sweet jars!
- **Teddy bears and dolls** – to join our *Pre-Loved Friends Stall* and find new homes.
- **Good condition books** – stories waiting to be shared again.
- **General tombola prizes** – anything fun, festive, or family-friendly.

Please bring all donations into school **during the first week back after October half term.**

This year, we're proudly embracing the joy of **reusing and repurposing** pre-loved items. It's a wonderful way to celebrate sustainability, community spirit, and the magic of giving.

Thank you for your continued support

# SWIMMING IN THE SPOTLIGHT



... And Welcome from Miss Wardle!

I'm so excited to welcome you to our primary school swimming program! Learning to swim is not only a fun and exciting adventure, but also an essential life skill that builds confidence, safety, and a love for the water.

Our goal here at Knypersley First School is to create a safe, supportive, and encouraging environment where every child can learn at their own pace, gain new skills, and most importantly—have fun! Whether your child is dipping their toes in for the first time or already splashing confidently, I'm excited to be here to guide them in their journey!

Let's dive in and make some waves together!

# Knypersley First School

## BREAK the RULES DAY



The chosen School Rules that allowed to be broken are:

- Only school uniform to be worn.
- No crazy hair or hats.
- No juice in water bottles.
- Healthy snacks ONLY.
- No wearing your pjs to school
- No extra long afternoon playtime
- No telling jokes in class

**When?**

**Friday 10th October  
2025**

50p per rule broken  
and you can choose  
a maximum of 4 rules  
from the above list.

Payment will be in  
cash on the day



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



British Heart  
Foundation

# Non-Uniform Dates



This overview includes non-uniform days that have been planned by the PTFA and our School Councillors. Any additional non-uniforms and events will be communicated as soon as they are planned.

## Sept

**23.09.2025** - We Heart Non-Uniform Day  
(School council kindly ask for donations on the day of baked goods to support their Big Hearty Brunch on 26.9.25)

## Oct

**10.10.2025** - Break the Rules Day (poster included on Spotlight page 19.09.2025)

## Nov

**7.11.2025** - PTFA Non-uniform.  
We kindly ask for donations of the following:  
EYFS - Chocolates  
KS1 - Sweets  
Ks2 - Bottles  
**14.11.2025** - We Heart Non - Uniform Day (small Donations of £1 pp)

## Dec

**12.12.2025** - We 'Heart' Winter Jumper Day! (small Donations of £1 pp)

**18.12.2025** - Christmas Party Day (funded by the PTFA)

## Jan

**23.1.2026** - PTFA PJ Day!  
(small Donations of £1 pp)

## Feb

## Mar

**5.3.2026** - World Book Day  
(more information to follow)

**13.3.2026** PTFA Easter Non-uniform.  
We kindly ask for donations of Easter items.

## Apr

## May

**11.5.2026** Brighten up the Day  
(non-uniform to raise awareness of Mental Health Week)

## June

**12.6.2026** Rainbow Raffle Non-uniform PTFA. We kindly ask for donations of items in the following colour to aid our Rainbow Run hamper prize draw:  
EYFS - Red/ Yellow items  
KS1 - Pink/ Green items  
KS2 - Orange/ Blue items

## July

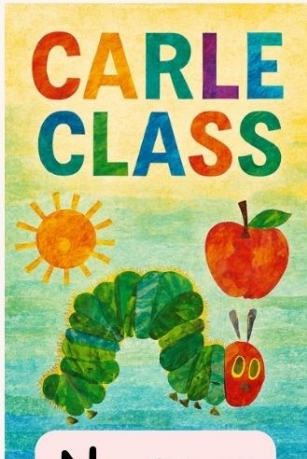
**16.7.2026** PTFA Summer Party Day!  
(Funded by the PTFA)

We want to thank you all ahead of time for your support with our fundraising efforts!

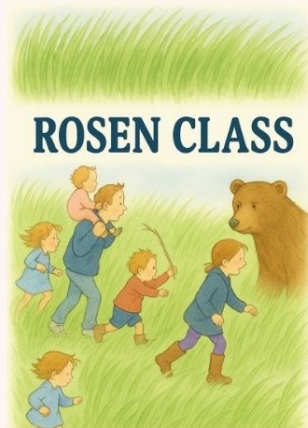
# CLASS AUTHORS

We LOVE reading at Knypersley! This year, each class has a chosen author to explore new books and stories!

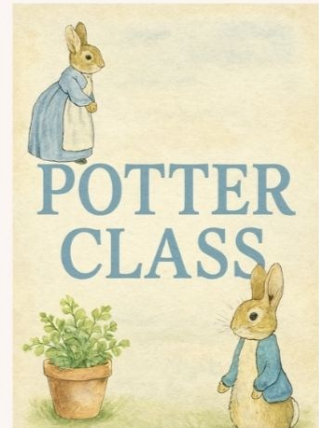
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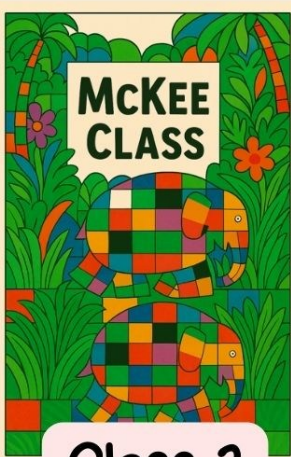
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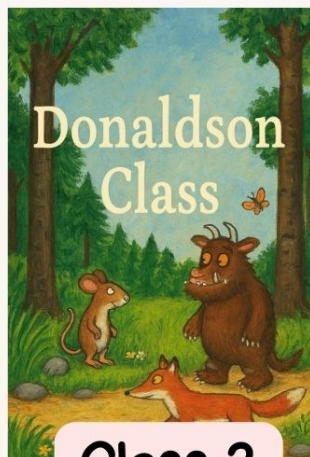
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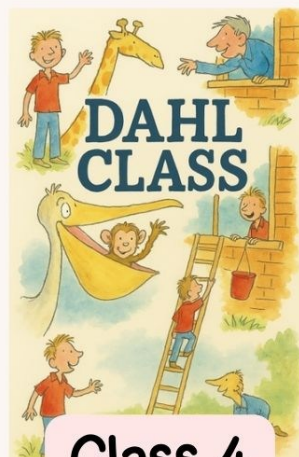
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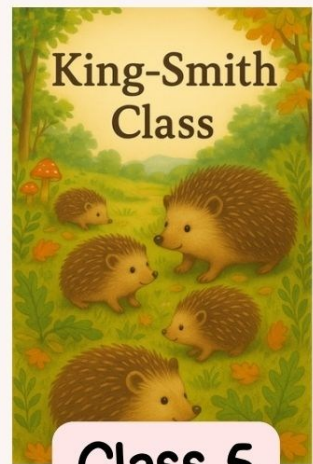
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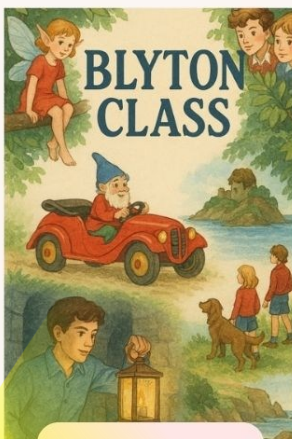
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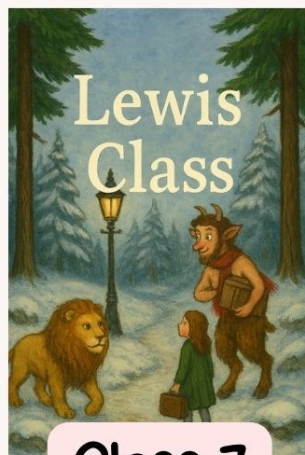
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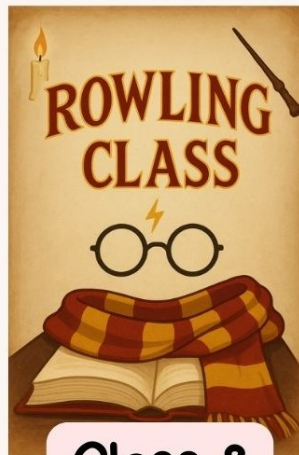
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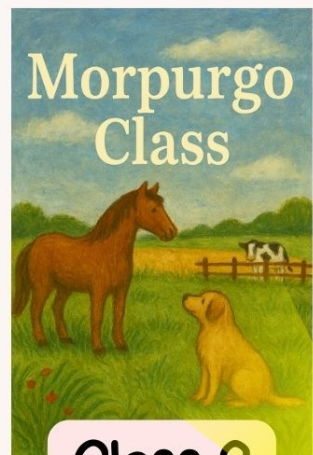
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Class 7



Class 8



Class 9