

14/11/2025



The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



A message from Miss Leese...

This week has been full of special moments for our school. We came together for Remembrance Day, holding a whole school silence and listening to the Last Post. The children showed such thoughtfulness as they learnt about respect and the sacrifices made by others, we're really proud of how they engaged with this important occasion.

We also opened our doors to share what high-quality learning looks like in action. A huge thank you to our staff for being so open and supportive, not just for our own children but for those beyond our school too. Our children are very lucky to have such inspiring role models leading the way.

A big thank you as well to our Year 2 and Year 4 parents who joined us for this week's workshops on curriculum and times tables. It was lovely to see you all together, and the children were buzzing with excitement to learn alongside you. If you have any questions after the workshops, or if you couldn't make it and would like more information, please remember teachers hold weekly drop-in sessions that can be booked through Arbor.

Today, lines and roles for our upcoming nativities and winter performances have been sent home with the children, giving everyone plenty of time to prepare. If your child's letter didn't quite make it home, please let their class teacher know via Arbor and they will happily replace it. For Reception and Year 4 families who have been asked to sign up to one of two slots, please wait for guidance from teachers around timescales and the opening of the booking system. As a reminder, the total number of guests has been carefully risk assessed and arranged around fire safety requirements. This is not only to keep the audience safe, but also to make sure that in the unlikely event of an emergency, children can be moved quickly and safely through the fire exits. For this reason, we will be sticking to 3 tickets per family. We also ask that everyone brings their tickets on the night so we can monitor numbers and ensure we remain within safety regulations.

Thank you, as always, for being such an important part of our school community. We are so proud of the children and grateful for the support you give each week. Have a wonderful weekend with your families, and we look forward to another exciting week of learning and growing together.

Miss Leese and Team Knypersley xxx

Important dates coming soon...

2.12 Flu Vaccines Rec-Yr4

4.12 Yr2 trip

5.12 Yr 4 Forest School Parent Engagement Class 8 -9.30am/Class 9 1.30pm

8.12 Nursery/ Reception nativity 9.30a/2pm

Year 1 nativity 5pm

9.12 Year 2 nativity 5pm

10.12 Yr 3 nativity 5pm

11.12 Yr 4 Xmas extravaganza 2pm/5pm

Our whole school attendance target is 96.5%
This week, our school attendance was: **95.63%**



This Week's winner is: Busy Bees



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 3** of the new **sept-feb** menu.

Class	Attendance
Creative Caterpillars	99.61%
Busy Bees	95.9%
Class 2	96.09%
Class 3	97.69%
Class 4	92.41%
Class 5	92.5%
Class 6	92.5%
Class 7	98.15%
Class 8	96.21%
Class 9	96%

Rewards and Celebrations



**Creative Caterpillars—
Ember**

Busy Bees— Myla

Class 2— Poppy

Class 3— Ivy

Class 4— Bill

Class 5— Kiearnan

Class 6— Carter

Class 7— Joe B

Class 8— Seb

Class 9— Toby

Nursery— Archie

Creative Caterpillars— Sophia

Busy Bees— Harry

Class 2— Jenson

Class 3— Lola

Class 4— Darcie-Robyn

Class 5— Riley

Class 6— Aryanna

Class 7— Grace

Class 8— Neveah

Class 9— Ava H

Nursery— Ivy-Rose

Creative Caterpillars— Theo

Busy Bees— Holly

Class 2— Toby

Class 3— Harley

Class 4— Marnie-Rae

Class 5— Edie

Class 6— Marnie

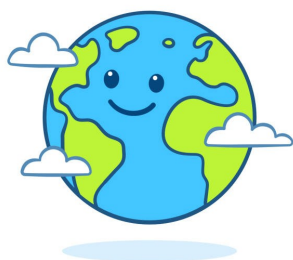
Class 7— Abigail

Class 8— Jenson

Class 9— Leila



House Points



Swimmer of the week

Creative C: Isla-Rae
BB: Tilly Rose
C2: Matthew
C3: Finley
C4: Noah
C5: Charlie J
C6: Alfie
C7: Muzammil
C8: Qamar

Achievements Outside of School





Knypersley in the Spotlight...

Healthy snacks, happy minds!

We'd like to remind families that children are encouraged to bring a **healthy mid-morning snack** to school.

Nursery – Year 2: All children are entitled to a free piece of fruit each day. If you prefer to send an alternative, please ensure it is a healthy option.

Drinks: Please remember that bottles should contain **water only**.

Why healthy snacks matter: Sugary foods may give a quick boost, but they often leave children feeling tired and less able to concentrate. Choosing fruit, vegetables, or other nutritious options helps keep energy steady and supports learning throughout the day.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us promote healthy habits and wellbeing across the school community.



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 ['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 concerns 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](#).

Reception Application

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2026, please be aware that applications open on **1 November 2025** and must be submitted by **15 January 2026**.

Applications are made online through Staffordshire County Council's admissions portal. Please ensure you apply within this timeframe, as late applications may affect your chance of securing a place at your preferred school.

National Offer Day will be on **16 April 2026**, when you will be notified of your child's allocated school.

Makaton Sign of the Week

This week the new sign that we will be learning together as part of our Communication Promise is: [Respect](#)



Please click the link to practise at home!

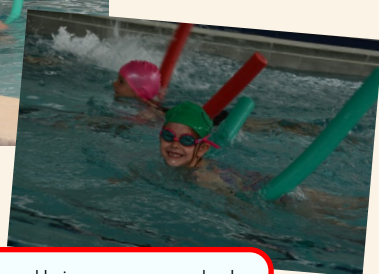
We have signed up to the education staff wellbeing charter because staff wellbeing matters

Knypersley First School in the Spotlight

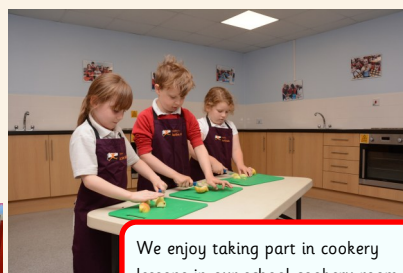
We enjoy spending time at Forest School! We have a slot throughout the year for a full half term with Mr Fox our forest school instructor



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 Miss Wardle who is our qualified instructor.



We enjoy taking part in cookery lessons 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!



Name: Karen

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM

**Education Mental
Health Practitioner**



All about me

Hi, I'm Karen, from the Mental health Support Team (MHST) working within Abbey Hulton Primary School.

I am an Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP) and my role involves supporting young people and their families with mild to moderate mental health challenges using Low intensity cognitive behavioural therapy (LICBT). Together we work to identify and address difficult emotions and feelings.

I work in partnership with the school's Mental Health Lead to deliver a whole school approach to mental health; this includes educational workshops, groups, and training to reduce the stigma of mental health and improve outcomes for the whole school community.

Our core offer

I support pupils with:

- Worry management
- Anxiety
- Panic management
- Low Mood
- Sleep
- Problems solving
- Exam Stress

If you would like to know more, please speak to Mrs Sigley or email:
mhstenquiries@combined.nhs.uk



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)

NEW ADDITION 23.10.2024 - Autumn Disco Non-Uniform day (for all)

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! (donations of mince pies/ Christmas biscuits to aid Sing-a-long sessions)

18.12.2025 - Christmas Party Day (funded by the PTFA)

Jan

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

Feb

NEW ADDITION 12.2.2025 Spring Disco (non-uniform day for all)

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)

NEW ADDITION 21.05.2025 Summer Disco (non-uniform for all)

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

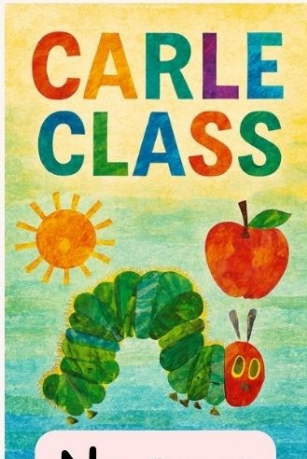
July

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

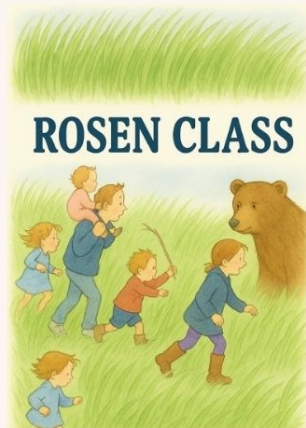
We want to thank you all ahead of time for your support with our fundraising efforts!

CLASS AUTHORS

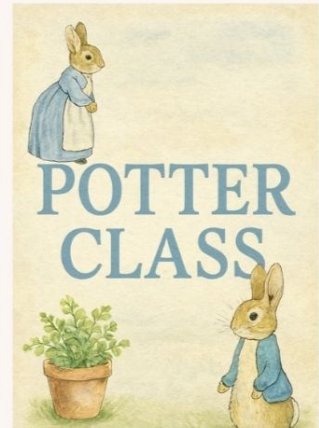
We LOVE reading at Knypersley! This year, each class has a chosen author to explore new books and stories!
We are so excited to introduce you to....



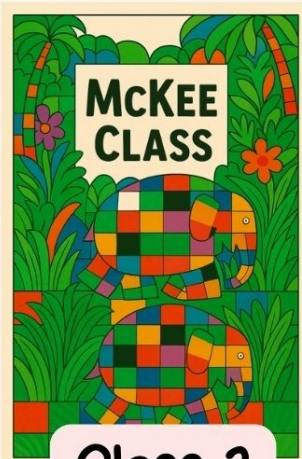
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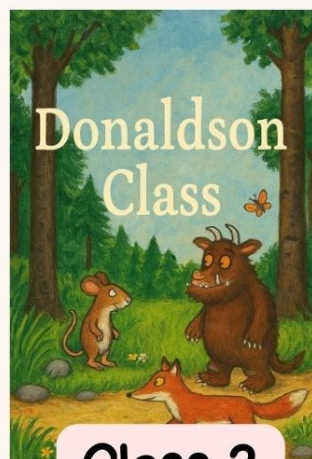
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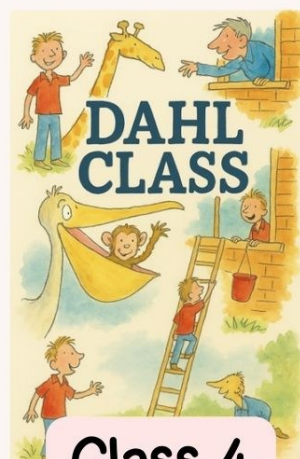
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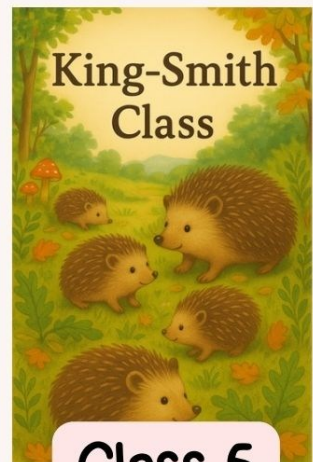
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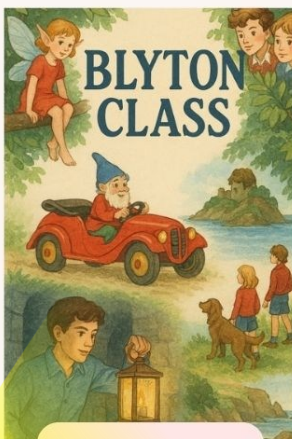
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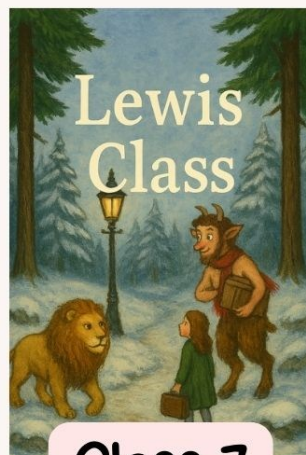
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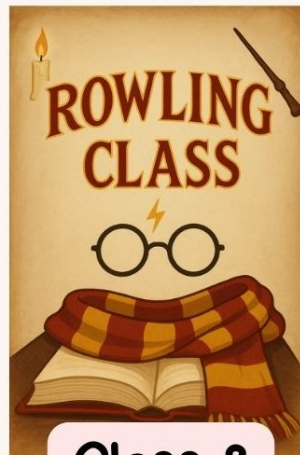
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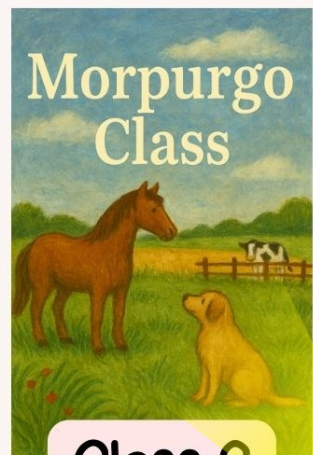
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Class 7



Class 8



Class 9