



#### The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!









# A message from Miss Leese...

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic week it's been at Knypersley, filled with nativities, sparkle, and Christmas cheer! Thank you so much for your incredible support, from sourcing costumes to rehearsing lines at home and encouraging your children to believe in themselves. I'm sure you'll agree that the performances were truly magical. The children shone with pride and confidence, and our staff's creativity and dedication made each nativity a joy to watch.

A special thank you to Martin and Claire from Stage Management Services for their commitment and generosity. Their amazing lighting and surprise snow machines added a little extra magic to our performances, and we're so grateful for their time and talent, given entirely as volunteers.

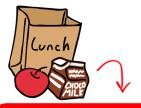
Thank you also to everyone who supported the PTFA through raffle ticket sales this week. We'll be sharing the total raised next week, and every penny will go towards pantomime coaches, a visit from a magician for our Early Years children, and supporting trips and events in the year ahead.

Today, our Key Stage 2 choir visited Park Lane Care Home to sing for the residents. They represented our school with such pride and warmth they were a credit to us all.

Next week brings a flurry of end of term events, so please do check the Spotlight carefully to help with preparations.

Finally, it's been a true privilege to see all our children perform this week. Their joy, pride, and togetherness were a beautiful reminder of what this season is all about. Seeing their faces as they stood proudly in front of you was a joy to witness. Thank you for allowing us, over this year so far, to get to know your gorgeous children, we are very lucky to be a small part of their big lives.

Wishing you a very merry weekend, Miss Leese and Team Knypersley xxxx



This Week's winner is: Class 5

Please follow the following link <a href="https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/">https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/</a> lunch-menu/ to find our school lunch menu.

On our return we will be following **week 1** of the new **sept-feb** <u>menu.</u>

## Important dates coming soon...

**15.12.25** Big Hearty sing a long 2pm

**16.12.25** Big Hearty sing a long Grandparents edition **9.30am/2pm** 

**17.12.25** Christmas dinner day

**18.12.25** Christmas party day / non uniform

19.12.25 Panto yr1-4/ Magician EYFS

**5.1.26** School re opens

### Our whole school attendance target is 96.5%

This week, our school attendance was: 89.32%

Class	Attendanc
Creative Caterpillars	93.96%
Busy Bees	75.29%
Class 2	85.65%
Class 3	85.38%
Class 4	90%
Class 5	94.29%
Class 6	88.21%
Class 7	94.07%
Class 8	89.31%
Class 9	88 33%



# Rewards and Celebrations



Creative Caterpillars— Whole of class

Busy Bees— Whole of class

Class 2- Whole of class

Class 3- Whole of class

Class 4- Emily

Class 5- Whole of class

Class 6- Whole of class

Class 7- Whole of class

Class 8- Whole of class

Class 9- Whole of class



Swimmer of the Week

Creative C: Teddy

BB: Harry C2: Isla C3: Dexter C4: Jack

C5: Paisley C6: Aryanna

C8: Nova



Nursery— Max

Creative Caterpillars - Whole of class

Busy Bees- Whole of class

Class 2- Whole of class

Class 3- Whole of class

Class 4- Maxwell

Class 5- Whole of class

Class 6- Whole of class

Class 7- Whole of class

Class 8- Whole of class

Class 9- Whole of class

Nursery- Athena

Creative Caterpillars- Whole

Busy Bees - Whole of class

Class 2- Whole of class

Class 3- Whole of class

Class 4- Whole of class

Class 5- Whole of class

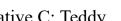
Class 6- Whole of class

Class 7- Whole of class

Class 8- Whole of class

Class 9- Whole of class





C7:Isabelle

C9: Leila







House Points





Gunn Street, Biddulph, ST8 6AY

1 DECEMBER 22-23 2 DECEMBER 29-30 HALFDAY 09:00-13:00

We are excited to welcome you all to our action-packed holiday club throughout the Christmas period. Our program of sports, games, crafts and special events will give every child an unforgettable experience that will live long in the memory.

#### MULTI-SPORTS · SPECIAL EVENTS · GAMES ARTS & CRAFTS · INFLATABLES · COMPETITIONS



#### HAF CODE





#### BOOK

Locate your venue on the EEQU website to



This program provides children who are eligible for free school meals with the opportunity to access physical activity, alongside receiving snacks, a nutritious lunch and drinks.



NAME

HAF CODE

#### For more information:

Call: 01782 366332

Website: asmsports.co.uk

#### Supervision Reminder

Please ensure children remain in supervised areas after school. They must not go behind the bus shelter, garages, or sheds. This helps us keep all pupils safe and visible at all times.

Thank you for your support.

#### 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 '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.

#### Makaton Sign of the Week

This week the new sign that we will be learning together as part of our Communication Promise is: Gloves



Please click the link to practise at home!

#### PTFA Festive Fun Next Week!

To add to the Christmas cheer, the PTFA will be running games and events throughout next week. During the sing-a-longs you'll find:

A small Christmas stall at every sing-a-long, Festive raffles, Win the Teddy, A chance to win a Christmas cake!

Please remember to bring your pennies so you can join in the fun and help support our school community!



# OUR SNACK STARS ARE COMING!

As part of our commitment to being a Healthy Eating School, we know that encouraging children to make healthier snack choices can sometimes be a challenge. However, it's also a fantastic opportunity for them to try new foods and build positive habits.

#### What Are Snack Stars?

- Each class will have a Healthy Snack Chart.
- When all children in the class bring a healthy snack, the class earns a sticker on their chart.
- Once the class collects 15 stickers, they will be invited to choose a Snack Star from Miss Leese!



What Do the Snack Stars Do?

- The Snack Stars will stay in the classroom for the term.
- Their role is to encourage and reward healthy snack choices, helping children feel proud of their efforts.
- At the end of the term, the Snack Star is returned, and the class works together again to earn a new one for the following term.

The incentive will begin week beginning 8th January 2026. Between now and then, we encourage children to start introducing healthier snacks at home and at school so they feel ready to contribute to their class's success.

Importantly, this lead-up period also gives parents and carers time to drop in and speak with staff if they would like advice or support with integrating healthy snacks into their child's routine. We are here to help make this transition as smooth and positive as possible.

#### Our Goal

To make healthy eating fun, rewarding, and a team effort — helping children build lasting habits while celebrating their success together.



## Non-Uniform Dates



British Heart Foundation 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)

#### 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)

#### 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.

#### June

12.6.2026 Rainbow Raffle Nonuniform 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

#### 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)

#### Jan

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

#### Apr

#### July

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

#### 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)

#### Feb

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

#### May

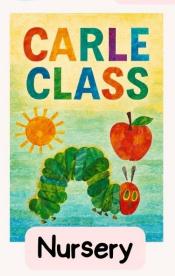
11.5.2026 Brighten up the Day (non-uniform to raise awareness of Mental Health Week)

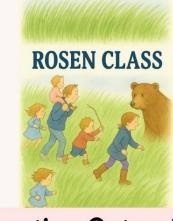
NEW ADDITION **21.05.2025** Summer Disco (non-uniform for all)

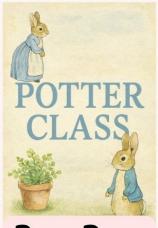
We want to thank you all ahead of time for your support with our fundraising efforts!

# **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....







Creative Caterpillars

**Busy Bees** 

