

30/01/2026



The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



A message from Miss Leese...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a very positive week in school, filled with proud moments and opportunities for our children to shine. We were delighted to welcome Mrs Rourke, CEO of The Children First Learning Partnership, who visited to review behaviour and attendance. Our children spoke with such confidence about the support they receive in school and why good attendance matters to them, a real credit to their maturity and understanding.

Year 4 also welcomed parents and carers for their 'Come and Learn With Me' sewing session. The hall was full of smiles, chatter and enthusiasm, and it was lovely to see families enjoying learning together. Thank you for your support.

On Monday, the RNLI visited to talk to the children about water safety and the important role they play in keeping people safe. The children listened respectfully and shared thoughtful responses throughout the session.

On the 10th and 11th Feb we will be holding our parents evenings and we have so much to share with you so please do try to attend. I have asked staff to contact you directly if you do not attend to arrange a meeting with you at a convenient time. Please be reminded that slots are 5 minutes long but if you feel you need longer, please use the drop-in sessions rather than a parent's evening slot to support staff keeping to their schedules.

Finally, please take a moment to read this week's spotlight, which highlights our offer of a free swim session for younger children in our wider community. We would be grateful if you could help us spread the word by sharing our post within local groups or pages to encourage more families to take part.

We'd like to take this opportunity to wish our wonderful Young Voice choir the best of luck as they head to the Co-op Arena next week to perform as part of a live children's choir.

Have a lovely weekend,
Miss Leese and Team Knypersley xxxx

Important dates coming soon...

5.2.26 Young Voices

6.2.26 Yr 2 Forest School parent engagement

Class 4 -9.30am

Class 5 1.30pm

6.1.26 Number Day

10.2.26 Parents evening 3.30-5.30

11.2.26 Parents evening 5-6.30

13.2.26 Non uniform day (Easter Hamper Prizes)

13.2.26 Close for Half term

23.2.26 School open

25-27/2/26 Stanley Head Year 4

5.3.26 World Book Day

Our whole school attendance target is 96.5%
This week, our school attendance was: **93.9%**



This Week's winner is:
Class 5

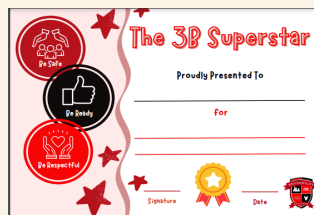


Please follow the following link <https://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk/lunch-menu/> to find our school lunch menu.

On our return we will be following **week 2** of the new **sept-feb** menu.

Class	Attendance
Nursery	94.2%
Creative Caterpillars	94.57%
Busy Bees	95%
Class 2	92.6%
Class 3	95.4%
Class 4	95.2%
Class 5	98.3%
Class 6	86.2%
Class 7	93%
Class 8	93.8%
Class 9	94.7%

Rewards and Celebrations



Creative Caterpillars—
Rosie

Busy Bees— Tilly

Class 2- Axel

Class 3- Lola

Class 4- Archie

Class 5- James

Class 6- Evelyn

Class 7- Harvey

Class 8- William

Class 9- Olivia W

Nursery— Alice

Creative Caterpillars— William

Busy Bees- Lottie

Class 2- Gracie

Class 3- Dougie

Class 4- Jack

Class 5- Ivy-Rose

Class 6- Ryan

Class 7- Blake

Class 8- Mason

Class 9- Oscar

Nursery- River

Creative Caterpillars- Macy

Busy Bees- Ronnie

Class 2- Violet

Class 3- Arthur

Class 4- Ayeza

Class 5- Jaxon

Class 6- Harper

Class 7- Jasmine

Class 8- Qamar

Class 9- William



Swimmer of the Week

Bb: Lexi-Mae

Cc: Logan M

2: Amelia

3: Alcee-Mae

4: Connor

5: Edie

6: Ryan

7: Poppy

8: Leo

9: Ava M

House Points



Achievements Outside of School...





Knypersley in the Spotlight...

A Gentle Reminder about Punctuality

We'd like to remind all families how important it is for children to arrive at school on time each day. The start of the day really sets the tone for learning, it helps children feel settled, confident, and ready to make the most of their lessons.

When children arrive late, they can miss key teaching and find it harder to join in, which can affect both their confidence and progress.

Our school doors open at **8:50am**, and registers close at **9:05am**.

Children arriving after **9:05am** and before **9:15am** will receive a **late mark**.

Arrivals **after 9:15am** are recorded as an **unauthorised late mark**, which does affect overall attendance.

Please help us by ensuring your child arrives on time each morning so they can have the best possible start to their day. Your support makes a big difference, thank you!

If you would like to talk about your child's attendance or if there is anything you would like support with, please do not hesitate to contact our CFLP Attendance Officer, we are here to help.

Makaton Sign of the Week

We have introduced a Makaton 'sign of the week' to strengthen communication across school, using a shared visual support that helps our pre-verbal learners express themselves with confidence to not just their teachers but to their friends.

This week we will be learning how to sign '[To Cuddle](#)'. Please can you practise at home with our Makaton word of the week.



NUMBER DAY IS COMING...

Friday 6th February

We're excited to celebrate Number Day in school! To join in the fun, we're inviting all children to come dressed in number or shape themed clothing.

Clothing ideas: Spotty or stripy outfits, football shirts with numbers, clothes covered in shapes or DIY number badges or shape accessories.



COME AND SWIM FREE SESSION!

FRIDAY 13th FEB 2026
Session 1- 9:30-10:10am
Session 2 - 10:30 - 11:10am

Join us for a splash-tastic Adult & Child Fun Swim at Knypersley First School, in our on-site heated pool, open to children aged 2-4 who do not currently attend our school.



**Meet Mrs Wardle our
on-site swimming
instructor**

BOOK YOUR SLOT NOW

01782 973810

CAUDWELL CHILDREN

Caudwell Children now have a dedicated SEND Support Line. If you have any parents that are in need of support and they cannot access the SEND Drop in Sessions, they can contact the Support Line on 0333 057 0253 between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm.

Also as of January, we are offering 2 FREE Family Support Sessions per year to any parents who feel they would be of benefit from them. I have included the link below for you to have a look at. There are many to choose from such as:

Autism Next Steps, Supporting Emotional Regulation and Behaviour and Meeting Sensory Needs. In order to access Autism Next Steps, Autism and Well-being and Forming Relationships, families would need their child to have a diagnosis of Autism, but all other sessions can be accessed even if the child does not have a diagnosis.

These sessions are delivered virtually via zoom and happen in a morning approximately 9.30-1.00pm depending on the session.

The only exception to this is the Autism Next Steps which is a session where 2 adults and 1 child with an Autism diagnosis would attend our centre in Newcastle Under Lyme, Staffs, ST5 5NT. This session runs from 9.30am until 2pm. This is an in person session to support families and children who have had a diagnosis of Autism understand what Autism means for them and their child.

Families may apply online to attend the Family Support Sessions at: [Family Support Sessions | Caudwell Children](#)

If any families have any difficulty booking onto the sessions, it may ask to confirm your child's diagnosis, this is because I am waiting for the website to be updated. If parents select 'Undiagnosed' or 'Other' they will be able to book on.

If there are any problems and the families struggle to book onto the link, please ask them to get in touch with the Growing Together Team on the details below and they will be happy to go through the process with them.

**Growing Together Team on 0345 300 1348 or email
Growingtogether@caudwellchildren.com**



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 - Non-Uniform Day (School council kindly ask for donations on this day of baked goods to support the Big Party Brunch on 23.09.25)

Oct

10.10.2025 - Break the Rules Day (poster included on Spotlight page 10.09.2025)

20.10.2025 - Autumn Disco Non-Uniform day (for all)

Nov

7.11.2025 - PTFA Non-uniform. We kindly ask for donations of the following:

- EYFS - Chocolate
- KS1 - Sweets
- KS2 - Bubbles

14.11.2025 - We Heart Non-Uniform Day (small Donations of £1 pp)

Dec

12.12.2025 - We 'Heart' Winter (donations of mince pies/ Christmas biscuits and Sing-a-long sessions)

20.12.2025 - Christmas Party (funded by the PTFA)

Jan

23.01.2026 - A Day! (small Donations of £1 pp)

Feb

13.2.2025 Non-uniform day (donations of Easter items)

Mar

5.3.2026 - World Book Day (more information to follow)

18.3.2026 Spring Disco (non-uniform day for all)

20.3.2026 Non-uniform (improving attendance reward)

Apr

May

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

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

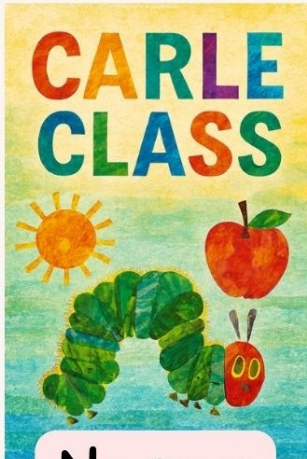
16.7.2026 PTFA Summer Party Day! (Funded by the PTFA)

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

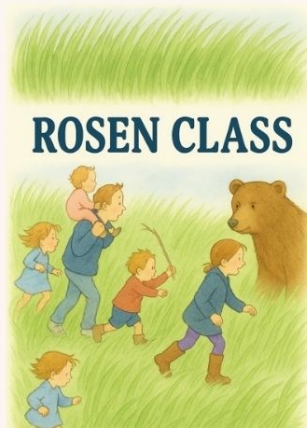
CLASS AUTHORS

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

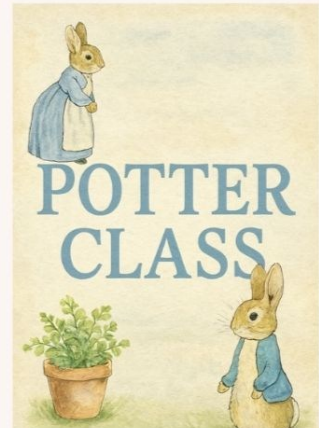
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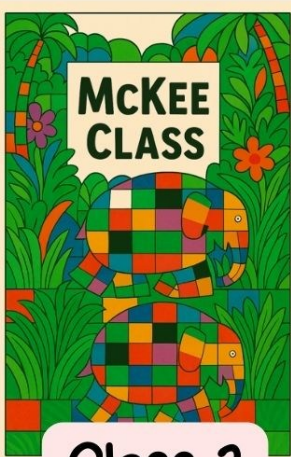
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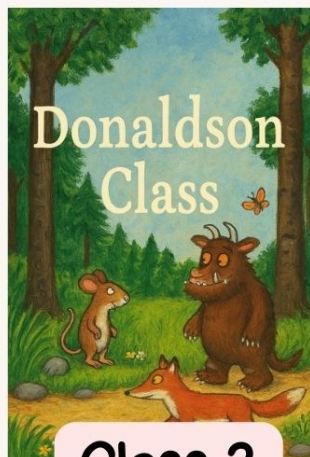
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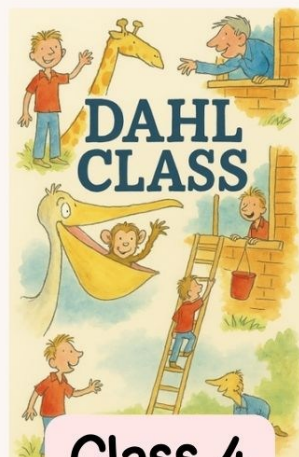
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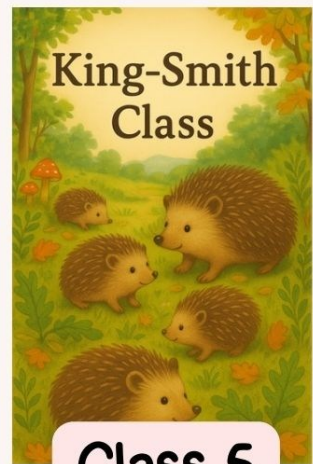
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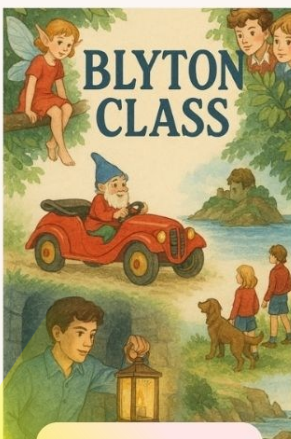
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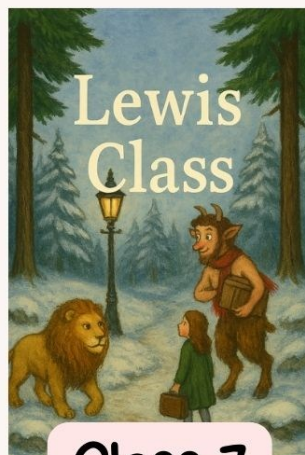
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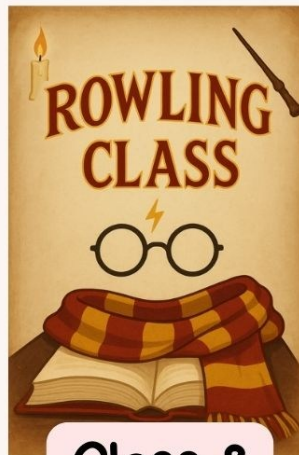
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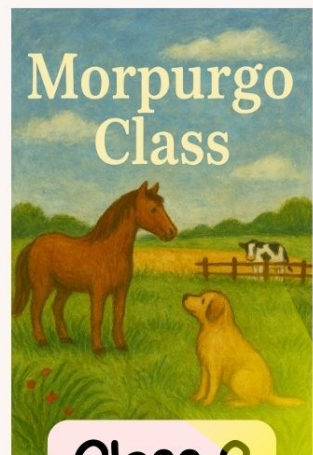
Class 6



Class 7



Class 8



Class 9