



Welcome to Busy Bees

Year Group: Reception
Class: Busy Bees

Teacher: Miss Leese
Teaching Assistants: Mrs Swift and
Mrs Court

Welcome to Busy Bees!

Please can you complete the contact /personal details form and inform us of any changes throughout the year. Can you also complete and return to school the permissions form as soon as possible please.



If you need to contact us the school phone number is 01782 973810. Please note that when we ring you from this number it will show up as a withheld number.



You can e-mail us office@knypersley.staffs.sch.uk and visit our school website for forms, policies, holiday dates, newsletters and much, much more at

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If you have any concerns, queries or questions about Your child, our weekly drop in is on **Thursday 3.15-4pm (01782 973813)** alternatively please use homeworkbb@knypersley.staffs.sch.uk to contact Miss Leese.

There will be three parents meetings throughout the year for you to discuss your child's progress, achievements and next steps. Dates to be confirmed.



Learning together, Learning For Life.

Checklist!!

- PE is on Tuesday
- Swimming on Wednesday
- Home School Communication Folder sent in daily.
- Drop-in is on a Thursday
- Complete at least three choice pieces of homework each half term, as well as the set menu activities weekly and daily.
- Class email address—homeworkbb@knypersley.staffs.sch.uk

PLEASE CHECK OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER AND CLASS PAGE FOR UPDATES

Other important information!

Forest School—

Forest School sessions will take place in the Spring Term. Parents will be invited into school to take part in the final session!

If your child is unwell or absent for ANY reason you MUST contact us that morning to let us know that your child is safe.

Mrs Goodyear and our senior leader team monitor attendance weekly and will contact parents of pupils who are raising concerns.



Please may we ask that you let us know if another member of the family or a friend is collecting your child at the end of the day. We need to make sure your child is safe when going home at the end of the day.

If you would like to help in school then we would be very pleased to see you! You can help for an hour or a whole day! You do need a DBS check with school. Please see Mrs Egerton or your class teacher if you would like to help us.



The PTA are a friendly bunch and raise an lots amount of money for the children of the school. They organise events such as the Christmas and Summer Fayres and discos! Why not come along to a meeting and share your ideas?



Our Curriculum



We follow the new Development Matters 2021 document within our Early Years. Our curriculum offers opportunities to experience the world around us, overcome challenges and become holistic learners who have a vast knowledge to support their development.

Our curriculum is also led by the children and their current level of development and carefully selected next steps, as well as their interests. All staff lead with 'Loving Pedagogy' which empowers them to plan and teach with the children at the heart of all they do.

In English lessons your child will have the opportunity to listen to, read and write in different styles (genres) such as instructions, stories and reports, to name but a few. They will use speaking and listening, and drama to support and inspire their writing.



Throughout the Maths lessons your child will develop a variety of strategies in mental and written maths using the CPA model—concrete (using objects such as Numicon, counters etc) pictorial (drawing) and abstract (doing it in their head). We use White Rose Maths and other resources to compliment and expand their knowledge.



Our learning themes are carefully chosen to support individual class needs and interests. We use a range of texts to support our curriculum.

Busy Bees Checklist:



- Water bottle
- Named uniform
- Reading books/ folder
- Juice/Snack—£1.50 weekly

Evidence Me-

We will be using Evidence Me daily in school. All email addresses have now been inputted into the system. If you have not yet received an email notification to activate your account please let a member of staff know.



Phonics

In Reception your child will continue to have daily phonic sessions. Reading books/ sticker charts will be matched carefully to your child's phonic level. We would like to welcome you to our phonic workshop on the 30th September at 2:15pm.



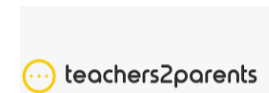
Your child will NEED to bring their reading book and planner in their folder EVERYDAY! We shall hear your child read individually on their own as often as we can. Your child will also take part in our ERIC (everyone reading in class) lessons and will read a range of books by different authors. Your child will also be able to borrow a book from our school

Parent Pay—Class visits and clubs are now paid for using Parent Pay. If you need a payment card then please see the office.

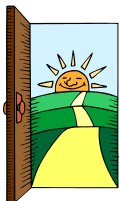


"I've got a text!"

We do send important messages by text, as well as individual celebration messages. If you change your number please let us know!



NON COVID REOPENING SEPTEMBER



Doors open at 8:45am each morning. Collection for Reception is 3:00pm–3:15pm (we will keep siblings if required). Messages can be given to the member of staff on the door or via email or the office. If you are late then please sign your child in at the office and tell the office if they need a hot dinner!

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Staff who can help you!

All the staff can help - Your class teacher or year group staff, but here is a little bit more information about the staff that will help you if needed.

Mrs E Goodyear - Head Teacher

Mrs N Ellis - Assistant Head Teacher & English Lead

Mrs J Beckett - Inclusion Lead

Mrs C Egerton - Maths Lead

Miss L Leese - EYFS Lead

Parent Engagement:

Phonics and Reading—30th September—2:15pm

Vocabulary and Communication—12th October—2:15pm



Homework will be sent home each half term on a homework menu and will be based on the learning that has taken place the half term before so that your child can apply what they have learnt.

Your child can choose the activities they wish to complete BUT they MUST complete at least three activities. Work can be completed and returned by TEAMS (photos), email or in the home learning book. We will collect them in mid-way through the half term to see how you're getting along.

SET MENU

Daily reading- just a couple of pages followed by a discussion about what has been read.

CHOICE MENU

We add a variety of choices including design it, write it, explore it, perform it etc—these vary each half term to try to inspire everyone.

