



# Knypersley News

Learning Together, Learning for Life

7th January 2022

## Diary Dates

13th January 2022

Reception Open Morning—9.30am

14th January 2022

Year 2 Forest School Starts-a letter has been sent home this week

15th January 2022

Closing date for Reception, Year 4 Applications—September 2022

8th February 2022

Safer Internet Day

9th February 2022

Young Voices Concert-**POSTPONED**

Week Commencing 14th February 2022

Faith in Focus Week

18th February 2022

Finish for Half Term

28th February 2022

Inset Day

1st March 2022

Pupils return after half term

### Holiday lists and important

Please check our website and twitter for more news, dates and updates through the week at @knypersleyFirst or [www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk)



Happy New Year and welcome back Knypersley!



The children have returned to school with very positive attitudes, full of Christmas stories and enthusiasm for their learning.

This is fantastic—we are very much looking forward to the term ahead!

Thank you so much for following the guidance that we have reintroduced from our risk assessment; in particular following the one way system, arriving on the yard no earlier than your child's start and finish time to avoid close contact with others and wearing a mask at all times. As always, all decisions are made with the best interests of all the children, staff, families and wider community in mind.

Have a lovely weekend, love Mrs Rourke and Mrs Egerton xxx

### Attendance



Busy Bees	98.0%	Class 5	99.0%
Caterpillars	94.8%	Class 6	91.0%
Class 2	98.3%	Class 7	98.6%
Class 3	89.6%	Class 8	100%
Class 4	99.3%	Class 9	92.4%

Congratulations to Class 8 who have achieved 100% attendance for the week!

Week Commencing 13th December 2021

Whole School Attendance 96.1%

School target — 96.5%

Thank you for your support with attendance at this difficult time. Well done everyone!!

### Head teacher Update

We have not yet appointed a Head teacher to join our school at Easter. We will continue to advertise the post for September. Until then, we will continue to run as we are currently with Mrs Rourke, the CEO of the CFLP as the Executive Head Teacher, Mrs Egerton as Head of School, Mrs Harvey in Class 5, Mrs Faulkner in Class 3 and Mrs Sigley in Class 2.



### Message from Early Years Team

We did have an open day planned for potential new parents for our Reception 2022 class.

Sadly, due to the current challenges of COVID this has had to be changed to avoid too many visitors on site.

If you or anyone you know needs more information about our school before making the reception application please contact us on [admin@knypersley.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@knypersley.staffs.sch.uk) we will be happy to arrange for one of our staff to speak with you.

We start week 3 of the school dinner menu in the New Year.

## Celebrate Good Times!

### Achiever of the Week

Busy Bees	Oscar Colbert
Caterpillars	Rio Short
Class 2	Jessica Parry
Class 3	Elliott Kay
Class 4	Poppy Gregory
Class 5	George Duda
Class 6	Layla Snowdon
Class 7	Oscar Booth
Class 8	Oliver Adams
Class 9	Harry Ryan-Burns

Congratulations

## Knypersley Rockstars

This week Rockstars spread the love of Christmas!

Thank you so much for making Knypersley the best place to be!

Nursery	Leo-James Shirley & Seb Plant
Busy Bees	Joshua Hine
Caterpillars	Hollie-Mae Ball
Class 2	Aaleeya Jackson-Ward
Class 3	Arlo Baker
Class 4	All of Class 4
Class 5	Darcy Warburton
Class 6	Thomas Plant
Class 7	Sophie Blakeman
Class 8	Freddie Dickenson
Class 9	Isabelle Sansome



### Year 4 Applications to Middle School

The closing date for applications is 15th January, if you have not yet made your selections, please do so before this date.

[Admission to primary and middle schools September 2022 entry - Staffordshire County Council](#)

### Author of the Week

Class 2	Jenson Colton
Class 3	James Duda
Class 4	George Donnelly
Class 5	Tyler Blakeman
Class 6	Imogen Heath
Class 7	Lewis Plant
Class 8	Zach Mould
Class 9	Seth Tracey



### PTFA Meeting

We will be holding our next PTFA meeting on Thursday 13th January 2022.

This will be held virtually on Teams at 6pm.

### Reception Starters 2022

The applications for Reception places in September 2022 opened on 1st November.

Applications can be made online - [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions).

Please ensure all applications are made by 15th January 2022 your child will receive an offer of a Reception place on National Offer Day 18th April 2022.

All the information you need about the admissions process within Staffordshire is available on our website pages here. Please feel free to share this information with any prospective parents whose child will be 4 years old by 31st August 2022



### House Points



#### Congratulations to Earth

Fire	260	Water	251
Air	320	Earth	271

Keep up the good work everyone!

### Clubs

A letter has been emailed today via the homework email address about clubs that are available for each year group. In line with our Covid risk assessment and to try to limit disruption, teaching staff will be running clubs for their own year groups. They are as follows:



Reception-Songbirds-Monday-until 4pm

Year One-Monday lunchtime

Year Two-Origami-Thursdays lunchtime

Year Three-Drawing-Wednesday until 4pm

Year Four-Cartooning-Wednesday until 4pm

Please reply to the email if you would like your child to attend. Places are limited. You will be informed by email/ text on Monday if your child has got a place in the club.

### Nursery Funding Forms

Please call into the school office before Friday 21st January to sign your child's Nursery Funding Declaration Form for the spring term.

Any questions regarding this please speak to our school office.

## CHANGES TO COVID TESTING FROM 11th JANUARY 2022

From Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January if you or your child have a positive Lateral Flow device (LFD) test, you do not need to get a follow up PCR test and should stay at home and self-isolate immediately.

The self-isolation advice for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) has changed. It is now possible to end self-isolation after 7 days, following 2 negative LFD tests taken 24 hours apart. The first LFD test should not be taken before the sixth day.

