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Knypersley News

Learning Together, Learning for Life

3rd December 2021

Diary Dates

6th to 9th December 2021

Christmas Nativity Week

13th December 2021

Christmas Lunch

16th December 2021

Termly Reports Sent Out

17th December 2021

School Visit to the Pantomime

4th January 2022

School Reopens to staff and pupils

Holiday lists and important dates have all been updated and are available on our website.

www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk

[Calendar page](#)

There will be no swimming lessons next week.

Please check our website and twitter for more news, dates and updates through the week at @knypersleyFirst or www.knypersley.staffs.sch.uk

Wow and thank you! Following our fantastic sponsored events last week and your wonderful generosity we have managed to raise an astonishing £1148 for our school! We can't thank you enough! Year 4 had a fantastic turn out for their Forest School parental engagement today, it was lovely to see so many muddy smiles-and that's just from the grown ups! :-)

We are so excited for you to join us next week for our Christmas performances, the children and staff have been working so hard-you are in for a real treat!

We'd like to thank you for your continuing support and understanding around the restrictions and measures that we have in place to keep each other safe, especially ahead of our performances next week.

Finally, we would like to say a HUGE Happy Birthday to Knypersley First! On Saturday it is our 110th birthday! How exciting!

We hope you have a lovely weekend, love Mrs Rourke, Mrs Egerton and all of the Team Knypersley xxx

Attendance



Busy Bees	96.5%	Class 5	97.6%
Caterpillars	96.3%	Class 6	95.0%
Class 2	93.5%	Class 7	98.1%
Class 3	95.4%	Class 8	97.8%
Class 4	100%	Class 9	96.0%

Congratulations to Class 4 who have achieved 100% attendance for the week!

Week Commencing 22nd November 2021

Whole School Attendance 96.5%

School target — 96.5%

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

Message from our Reception Team



We have set a new date for our open morning and this will now take place on Thursday 13th January 2022 at 9.30am.

If you are looking for your child to join our Reception in September 2022 the closing date for your application is the 15th January 2022. The link is below if you have not yet applied for your child's place.

www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/Admissions-primary/Apply/Overview.aspx

If you know someone that would be interested in attending please ask them to book their place by emailing admin@knypersley.staffs.sch.uk

Thank you.

We start week 3 of the school dinner menu next week.



Year 1 Swimming Lessons

We would like to inform you that after the Christmas holidays Year 1 will be swimming on a weekly basis.

This will start from the 10th January 2022.



Celebrate Good Times!

Achiever of the Week

Busy Bees	Della Hibbert
Caterpillars	Millie-Grace Bunyan
Class 2	Florence Taylor
Class 3	Harley Murphy
Class 4	Indianna-Leigh Beardmore
Class 5	Sienna Baker
Class 6	Connor Wilshaw
Class 7	Maddison Shaw
Class 8	Kai Pryor
Class 9	Teagan Byng & Seth Tracey

Congratulations

Knypersley Rockstars

This week Rockstars can help each other to grow!

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

Nursery	Ellemi Hughes & Elsie Barnett-Stubbs
Busy Bees	Alyssia Bickerton
Caterpillars	Nova Lovatt-Cain
Class 2	Alithea Ibrahim
Class 3	Lexi-Leigh Highfield & Francesca Decker
Class 4	Mason Court
Class 5	Benjamin Cotterill
Class 6	Oakley Oosthuizen
Class 7	Layla Highfield
Class 8	Henry Reynolds
Class 9	Rohan Knapper



Author of the Week

Class 2	Charlotte Gregory
Class 3	Elliott Kay
Class 4	Emily Brough
Class 5	Daisy Stewart
Class 6	Colin Goddard
Class 7	Sophie Blakeman
Class 8	Maisie Evans
Class 9	William Roberts



Kingsfield First School Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor. If you are interested or know someone who may be, then please call the Kingsfield school office for an application pack. The position is term time only for 1 hour per day with an hourly rate of £9.43. (Grade 2 Scale point 2)

Proposed Admission Arrangements for Knypersley First School 2023/2024

The Children's First Learning Partnership would like to hear your views on it's proposed admission arrangements for our school for 2023/2024.

We would like to confirm there are no changes proposed to the admission arrangements and that we are merely consulting as it has been some time since we heard your views.

Your opinions are important to us and we are keen to hear views before they are formally approved.

The consultation will close on 6th January 2022.

A full copy of the proposed admission arrangements are available on our website.

Any comments should be sent to Mrs N Smith, Knypersley First School, Newpool Road, Knypersley, ST8 6NN or via email office@childrenfirstlp.org.uk



House Points

Congratulations to Water

Fire	266	Water	334
Air	283	Earth	250

Keep up the good work everyone!

Staffordshire County Council Holiday Activities and Food Programme

The Department for Education have funded winter holiday activities and a food programme. It's free for children aged 5-16 years old who are in receipt of benefit related free school meals.

If your child is eligible Staffordshire County Council will write to those parent/carers with a unique code to register your interest.

Registration will go live on 29th November at 7pm and will close once eligible places have been filled.

To avoid disappointment you will need to register and book via www.staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities



The Children First Learning Partnership Multi Academy Trust: Director Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy on the Directors Board of our Multi Academy Trust. This is an exciting opportunity for someone who would like to contribute to the decision making of our 5 schools; Knypersley First, Kingsfield First, Reginald Mitchell Primary, Oxhey First School and Castlechurch Primary.

If you have a background in PR, HR, legal or business management we would LOVE to hear from you. Please email CEO@childrenfirstlp.org.uk for more information.



Christmas Performances

An important letter has been sent home tonight, please ensure you read it carefully so that you know the arrangements for next week's performances.



Nursery and Reception will be performing Wriggly Nativity
Year 1 will be performing Mary's Knitting
Year 2 will be performing Prickly Hay
Year 3 will be performing Baubles
Year 4 will be performing Christmas Extravaganza

- Monday, 6th December Year 4 Performances-2pm and 6.30pm
- Tuesday, 7th December Nursery and Reception Performance -9.30am
- Tuesday, 7th December Year 2 Performance -6.30pm
- Wednesday, 8th December Year 2 Performance 9.30am,
- Wednesday, 8th December Nursery and Reception Performance-2pm
- Wednesday, 8th December Year 1 Performance-6.30pm
- Thursday, 9th December Year 1 Performance-9.30am
- Thursday, 9th December Year 3 Performance-2pm
- Thursday, 9th December Year 3 Performance-6.30pm



You should have received your tickets for the performances this week, please contact your child's class teacher if you have not yet received your tickets.

COVID EXPECTATIONS FOR NATIVITIES

- Please take a lateral flow test before coming to school.
- Please sign in and provide contact telephone numbers for Track and Trace before entering the hall.
- We will take your temperature and ask that you please sanitise your hands
- Masks MUST be worn throughout the performance unless exempt
- If you have any COVID symptoms we ask that you DO NOT attend any of the performances.

Thank you so much for your cooperation and understanding.

(A letter confirming these details has been sent out tonight with your child and is also on our COVID area of the school website.)



Grandparents Singalong

It is with great disappointment that we have decided to cancel the grandparents Singalong for this year.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause but feel that this is the right decision at this time.

Christmas Jumper Day

This year we will be holding our Christmas jumper day on Friday 10th December.

We will be making a donation to Save the Children from each class in school and will not be asking for any money from parents unless you wish to, the Just Giving link below is optional

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Knypersley-First4



Its Pantomime time! Oh yes it is!



Exciting news! We will be having a special treat on the last day of term this year, as we will be visiting The Mitchell Arts Centre to watch Dick Whittington.

- The cost of the trip is £10 per child which can be paid on ParentPay. Please remember to click to give your permission for your child to attend.
- We would also like to give a huge 'Thank you' to our PTFA who have kindly agreed to cover the cost of the coaches.



Dates for your diary...

- 10th December Nursey and Reach for the Stars Christmas Visit from a Magician
- 10th December—Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
- 13th December Christmas Lunch
- 17th December Years R-4 Panto visit to Mitchell Arts Centre to watch Dick Whittington





Knypersley First School

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APPLICATIONS FOR RECEPTION 2022 ARE NOW OPEN!

Application information can be found on our school webpage - www.knypersleyfirst.sch.uk under key information, admissions.

**Closing date for admissions -
Monday 17th January 2022**

Please call our school office if you
• require any further information -

01782 973810
