

17/05/2024



The 'Knypersley News'

Learning together, learning for life!



A message from Mrs Rourke...

This week we have taken part in Mental Health Awareness Week. When I met with pupils they told me about the value of taking brain breaks, increasing access to learning outdoors, completing more exercise such as Cosmic Yoga and Jumpstart Jonny and also how they use their worry monsters and Time to Talk area in our school. I do hope you get time to have a chat together at home to find out all about their week and the ways our children are learning to manage their own feelings and emotions.

We hosted our first 'Come and Play' toddler session this week with 7 2-4 years old getting to know us and our newly refurbished EYFS provision. For further details on how to join us please see the advert on this newsletter.

I am pleased to inform you that we have been successful in appointing a new swimming teacher. Mrs Tilly Thwaite will be joining us as soon as we have completed all of the recruitment processes required. It is hoped that this will be on the first week back after half term, however the time DBS checks take can vary and is beyond our control. Therefore if we are not in a position to run lessons in the first few weeks of next term I will inform you on our return from the May half term break.

Finally, please can I urge you to complete the school development plan questionnaire via this link. <https://forms.gle/3NoYRibr8wGUZkVP6> (Y1-Y4) <https://forms.gle/w7rkXj25wgU7uGdv9> (EYFS) Your views are very much valued.

Have a great weekend

Important dates coming soon...

23/5/24 PTFA disco

27/5/24 May Half Term

4/6/24 School Re opens

7/6/24 PTFA non-uniform day:

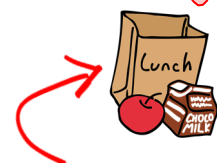
EYFS Sweets/ KS1 Chocolates/ KS2 Bottles

14/6/24 Year 4 multiplications testing

20/6/24 Biddulph Schools move up day

24/6/24 Health and Sports week. Sports day more details to follow

28/6/24 Summer Fair



Class	Attendance
Creative Caterpillars	94.3%
Busy Bees	94.3%
Class 2	94.7%
Class 3	94.9%
Class 4	96.6%
Class 5	96.3%
Class 6	96.8%
Class 7	94.8%
Class 8	97%
Class 9	95.8%



This Week's winner is: **Class 8**

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 **January-July** menu.

Break the Rules

Thank you so much for your support and engagement with Break the Rules day today! The children have had the best day taking part in a topsy turvy assembly, switching chairs in the main office and watching films during dinner time!

We will be totalling up the final amount and sharing this with you on next week's newsletter!

Our whole school attendance target is 95.61%.

This week, our school attendance was: **95.6%**

Rewards and Celebrations



Class 2- Archie
 Class 3- Jasmine
 Class 4- Jasmine
 Class 5- Rosalyn
 Class 6- Lucy
 Class 7- Scarlett
 Class 8- Amber
 Class 9- Darcy W

Nursery- Bonnie
 Creative Caterpillars- Hugo
 Busy Bees- Jack
 Class 2- Olivia
 Class 3- Blake
 Class 4- Isla
 Class 5- Travis
 Class 6- Amelia
 Class 7- Payton
 Class 8- Oliver B
 Class 9- Tyler

Nursery- Nancy
 Creative Caterpillars- Luna
 Busy Bees- Grace
 Class 2- Alesse
 Class 3- Naima
 Class 4- Poppy
 Class 5- Emily T
 Class 6- Jenson
 Class 7- Neo
 Class 8- Cory
 Class 9- Pippa



House Team Award Winners..



AIR

Achievements Outside of School...



Miss Mountford led a topsy turvy celebration assembly this morning. She flipped our seating plans and held the assembly the wrong way around! She now owes £5 to the PTFA pot...

Parental Survey

We value your thoughts and feelings as part of our school community. Our annual EYFS and KS1/KS2 parental feedback survey has been sent via Arbor today. We do encourage you to take the time to complete to support our development over the next 12 months.

Thank you for your support and time.

CFLP Job Opportunity

Kingsfield First School, Biddulph wish to appoint an enthusiastic and committed Playleader with NVQ 2 equivalent qualification, to be responsible for the day to day running and management of the school's before and after school provision.

This is a maternity cover post commencing September 24 until March 25.

22.5hrs per week – 7:15am – 8:45am every morning and 3:00pm - 6:00pm every afternoon (Temporary, term time only)

Salary: Grade 5, Scale: FTE £23,893 - £25,119 (actual salary £12,229 - £12,857).

Please contact the school office for more information and an application pack office.kng@cflptrust.co.uk or 01782 873800.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people / vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This position is subject to a criminal records check from the Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly CRB) which will require you to disclose details of all unspent and unfiltered spent reprimands, formal warnings, cautions and convictions in your application form. It is an offence to apply for this position if you are barred from engaging in regulated activity.



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 '[Holiday Activities and Food](#)' which can be found along with family support for over the up and coming half terms in our local area.

HAF funding offers a range of FREE physical and creative activities, including some specialist SEND provisions. The programme it's free for those eligible and healthy meals and snacks are included.

If you would like support accessing any of the offered support within the page please contact a [DSL listed on our school webpage](#). To check your eligibility please speak to Mrs Taylor in the school office.

Secret Reader!

In order to promote excitement for reading we would like your support in re-launching our very popular Secret Reader. We are inviting parents/ carers into school **every Friday at 2:30pm** to read our final home time story of the week! If you are interested in being a Secret Reader for your child's class please speak to your child's class teacher or call the office to arrange.

Newsletter

Thank you to you all for engaging with our school newsletter. We have tried hard to capture events that have taken place and events that are up and coming to support you in organising your calendars and communicating with your child about school.

Reminder that paper copies of our newsletter are available at the school office if you would prefer.



Knypersley in the Spotlight...

Class 4 have been enjoying some yoga and mindfulness activities this afternoon for their brain break @ChildrenFirstLP #MentalHealthAwarenessWeek2024



As part of our Mental Health Awareness Week Nursery have been having lots of brain breaks and enjoying some mindfulness yoga



Mental Health Awareness Week 2024

13th-19th May

TIME TO TALK STEPS:

BASED UPON PEER MEDIATION STRATEGIES.

1

MEET AND AGREE TO WORK THINGS OUT

2

TALK ABOUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED AND GATHER EVERYONE'S VIEWS FOR EACH PERSON INVOLVED

3

FIND A SOLUTION: "WHAT COULD YOU DO NEXT TIME SO THAT THIS PROBLEM DOES NOT HAPPEN AGAIN?"



ALL CHILDREN MUST HAVE TIME TO SHARE THEIR IDEAS. PASS THE WORRY MONSTER AROUND AND TAKE TURNS TO TALK.

4

SUMMARISE WHAT THE PROBLEM WAS: "THE PROBLEM WAS...."

5

REACH AN AGREEMENT: AGREE 1 SOLUTION TOGETHER AND SIGN THE MEDIATION AGREEMENT.

This week we have been shining the light on the positive impact that physical activities can have on our mental health. Each class has had planned 'brain breaks' that have had a physical health focus. The children have enjoyed hearing all about their class teacher's strategies for positive mental health such as dog walks, swimming and going to the gym.

The Knypersley Knights led this week's Learning for Life assembly with a focus on 'Time to Talk' and have supported children through Time to Talk steps. The children of Knypersley First School are very mature with their approach to mental health and understand the importance of looking after theirs.



Knypersley in the Spotlight...

Come and Explore!

Toddler Session

£2 donation will cover:
a biscuit, drink
and 1 hour of fun!

Thank you to all who attended our previous Minibeast session. We loved having you all with us!

OUR TERRIFIC TRANSPORT SESSION WILL TAKE PLACE ON:
Tuesday 11th June 10am-11am
WITHIN THE KNYPERSLEY FIRST SCHOOL NURSERY!

Our 'Come and explore' sessions will offer children the chance to play and make sense of the world around them. Our wonderful early years team will plan and run exciting activities for children aged between 2-4 to explore alongside other adventurers!

Adults are offered a hot drink throughout the session and will be encouraged to steal 2 minutes to themselves while the little ones explore!

DURING THIS SESSION WE WILL
EXPLORE:
Terrific Transport!

To hop aboard please call:
01782 973810 to book your
space!





Knypersley in the Spotlight...

We NEED your help!!!

our school needs some more flowers for our flower beds.



We were wondering if you could help us?

We are the Green AMBASSADOURS.

Please could you try and get flowers that go in flower beds



Thank you

Our Summer Bookshelf!



Nursery



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4