

Fortnightly Friday Flyer

2nd October 2015

Dear Parent,

Although we have only be back to school for just over four weeks, a lot has been packed in! I always try to cram as many celebrations as I can into the flyer but often run out of space to fit it all in. I know I always encourage you all to join Twitter and will continue to do so. It really shows all the fantastic learning and activities that happen here. We even have many followers tweeting us with their **#homelearning**. If you would like to follow us please search for **@KelsallSchool** – there is also a link to the twitter feed from the school website – www.kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk
If you are tweeting any home learning or something you see that might be useful for us, remember to include **@KelsallSchool** in your tweet as well as **#aloveforlearning**. Happy tweeting!

Sporting News

Mrs Oakley has taken on the role of **Sports Champion** in school this year. We are proud of all that we have achieved in sports over the past years including winning many trophies both individually and within teams. By giving Mrs Oakley some additional time out of class (Thursday 9am – 11:00am – Mrs Doyle in Y2) she is able to organise and grow our sports offer. She has also developed a section on the website to showcase our sporting achievements;

www.kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk/class/sport-at-kelsall

Mrs Struthers

You will all be pleased to know that Mrs Struthers' hip operation went as well as expected and she is well on the road to recovery. You may have met **Suzy Young** who will be supporting in the office on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Parking

Please can I remind you all to consider how and where you park at the beginning and the end of the school day. I have had a few phone calls and visits from residents around school reporting that their drives have been blocked.

Harvest

Our fabulous Choir were invited to sing at the Methodist Church this week at their Harvest Festival service. They really added a special element to the service – thank you to Mrs Morris and Miss Williams for organising. For our Harvest this year could you please bring in canned or dried goods to school next **Friday 9th October**. These will be given to the Mid Cheshire Foodbank who we supported last year.

Lost Property

You may have noticed that the yellow lost property bin has disappeared. We were finding that week by week the bin got fuller and lots more lost property was unclaimed. We have encouraged children to respect their property and look after their belongings and we do our very best to match children to clothing when it goes missing. If you can help by putting names into all items we can do this much quicker.

PTA

A huge thank you to everyone who attended the Friends of Kelsall AGM this week. As always they have many exciting family events to help raise funds for school throughout the year. With the support of the PTA we have been able to improve our ICT provision for children as well as subsidising class visits, refurbishing the gazebo and trim trail, supporting end of year gifts for Y6 children amongst many other smaller projects. Even if you did not attend the meeting I am sure that the PTA would appreciate any help at events – you can contact Mr Brookfield (Chair) via email pta@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk and follow on twitter @KelsallPTA

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Staff Training

As a part of our ongoing improvement work here at Kelsall I feel it is vitally important for staff to be engaged in high quality training that in turn improves outcomes for children. This year Mrs Oakley, Miss Williams and Miss Webb are enrolled onto Leadership Training leading to qualifications in Middle and Senior leadership. This involves them attending 6 face to face days throughout the year and leading on an improvement project within school that really makes a difference to the outcomes for all learners. In addition we are joining up more often with our CAT schools to share best practice and learn from each other.

School Council

This is a message from the school council members; Parents – can you please remind your children to bring **HEALTHY SNACKS** into school such as fruit and/or vegetables. Also, if possible, bring in water instead of juice. Thank you.

Praise Postcards

Thank you to all the parents and family members who attended our Praise Postcard assembly. This weeks' recipients for outstanding presentation within their curriculum work are;

Oak (Reception) – **Emily Thompson & Dante Polvani**

Beech (Year 1) – **Alex Roberts, Grace Paul & Jack Rowland**

Ash (Year 2) – **Sophia Windhaber, Levi Haughton & Kaitlynn Ashworth**

Maple (Year 3) – **William Hawkins & Isobelle Grover**

Elm (Year 4) – **Daniel Hunt & William Hide**

Willow (Year 5) – **Freya Johnston, Kelsey Sear & Olivia Brookfield**

Cedar (Year 6) – **Jasmine Cook & Jamie Richardson**

Tweeter of the Week – **Miss Creek**

Well done to you all! Keep up your fantastic attitudes towards school and learning.

Honks of the Week

Thanks to Miss Walsh and supporting staff for a fabulous EYFS Reading Evening – positive feedback from parents about 'A Love for Reading'

Well done and thank you to Y6 for hosting the Macmillan Coffee Morning which raised £225!

We now have a brand new music room with door thanks to the carpentry skills of Mr Elliott –

Thank you!

Choir! You sang beautifully at the Methodist Church – thanks to Mrs Morris and Miss Williams for organising at short notice.

Diary Dates

Please refer to the website calendar for all diary dates. Key dates for the rest of the term are;

Open Afternoon 'New Starters' (Sept 2016)	Thursday 15 th October 1:45pm-3:15pm
Open Morning 'New Starters' (Sept 2016)	Saturday 17 th October 10:00am
Year 6 to Tarporley High Challenge Day 1	Tuesday 20 th October
END OF HALF TERM	Friday 23 rd October
INSET DAY – Staff Only	Monday 2 nd November
AUTUMN TERM 2 STARTS	Tuesday 3 rd November
Parent Evening	Monday 16 th November 4:00pm – 7:30pm
Parent Evening	Tuesday 17 th November 4:00pm – 7:30pm
Infant Decorations Day	Tuesday 1 st December
School Clubs End	Friday 4 th December
Christmas Dinner	Friday 11 th December
Ks1 & KS2 Christmas Performances	Tuesday 15 th & Wednesday 16 th December
Christmas Party Day	Friday 18 th December
Autumn Term Ends	Friday 18 th December
INSET DAYS	Monday 4 th & Tuesday 5 th January
SPRING TERM STARTS	Wednesday 6 th January

Have a great weekend – Mr Wearing, Principal

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