

Friday Flyer – 26th January 2024

Dear Parent,

Another fabulous week with the **Kelsall Crew**. In this Flyer, we look at Cedar Crew's amazing Mini-Zine, Camp Curiosity, playground developments and more.

Routines

Thanks to everyone for ensuring that you are on time for a calm and engaging start to the school day. A reminder that the gates will close promptly at **8.50am**.

It is vitally important that parents or family/friends dropping off and picking up children ensure that they are with them at **all times**. In the mornings the play areas, MUGA, Calm area and equipment **should not be used**. **This applies at the end of the school day too**. Staff will dismiss your child into your care at the end of the school day. Please ensure that they **stay with you** and do not wander into these areas. The school grounds are large and we do not want any child going missing or hiding. Thank you for your support with this important part of the school day.

BIG Spring Tidy

BIG Spring Tidy We need you! On **Thursday 8th February**, we will be holding a BIG Spring Tidy day. If you can spare an hour or two, either in the morning or afternoon then please let me know – principal@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk We are looking at developing our Camp Curiosity further as well as tidying up some areas of the playground that need a little TLC. Tea, coffee and cakes provided!

Camp Curiosity & Storyhouse



Wednesdays	Lottie – STORYHOUSE				Tuesdays	Gemma – CAMP CURIOSITY	
	9:15 – 10:30	10:45-11:45	1:15 –2:00	2:00 3:00		Morning	Afternoon
31st January	6	5	4	3	30th January	2	Reception
7th February	6	5	4	3	6th February	1	Reception
14th February	N	R	1	2	13th February	Nursery	Reception

Mud Kitchen & Block Play

We have added a block and mud play area to the range of activities children can enjoy at lunch and break times.

If you have any old pots/pans/spoons etc that we could use to enhance this area then please send them in.



Attendance Matters

Attendance at school is **important** both academically and for social/emotional reasons. Whilst we understand that pupils will be absent from time to time due to illness; absence from school for other reasons should only be for exceptional circumstances. As a school we look at each request for leave from school on a case by case basis.

Holidays taken in term time will be subject to a fine. Where **attendance** falls below **90%** for any pupil, **we will contact you** to discuss this and put in any additional support needed. Persistent absence can also result in a fixed fine.

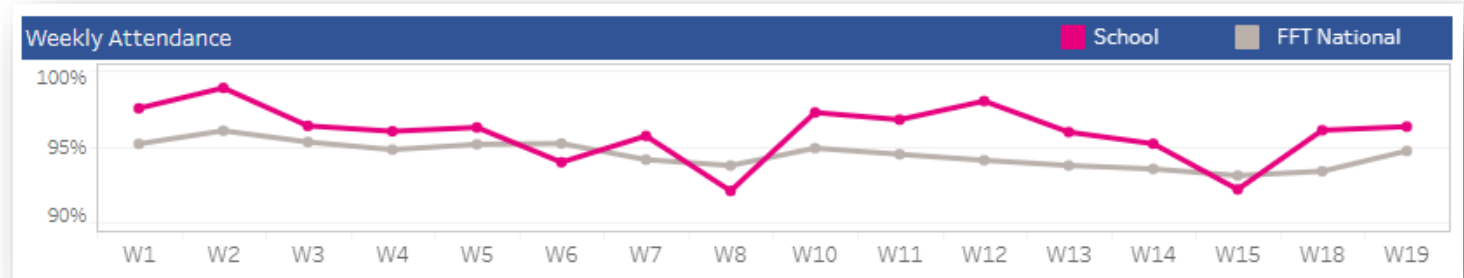
Please ensure you are **on time too** – school starts at **8.40am** – it is important that children are here on time so that they **start the day well and can engage with their crew**. Gates will shut promptly at **8.50am**.

Thank you all for being on time – it makes a huge difference to the start of the school day for the children and staff.

Attendance at school enables us all to build a strong crew and to strengthen our learning powers. Our overall attendance for whole school is currently **96%** which is **1.4% above** the national figure and **1.5%** above other North West schools – let's all work on keeping this figure above **National and North West**.

	Kelsall	North West
Oak Crew (Reception)	96.3%	93.3% (+3%)
Beech Crew (Year 1)	96.5%	94.1% (2.4%)
Ash Crew (Year 2)	96.9%	94.6% (+2.3%)
Maple Crew (Year 3)	94.1%	94.7% (-0.6%)
Elm Crew (Year 4)	96.9%	94.7 (+2.2%)
Willow Crew (Year 5)	95.2%	94.5% (+0.7%)
Cedar Crew (Year 6)	95%	94.4% (+0.6%)

EVERYday
counts
attendance matters



Can we save the Tiger?



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Our Y6 Cedar Crew have now received the physical copy of their mini-zine newspaper 'Can we save a Tiger'. The Crew have worked so hard to produce writing and artwork to fill the pages of the newspaper. Copies can be purchased for £3 from me. A huge well done and thank you to Y6, Mr Ward and Mr Clayton for co-ordinating and producing the work that made this publication. I will be taking some copies to Chester Zoo.

This kind of public sharing of beautiful work is something that we hope to emulate with other classes as the year progresses. You can see the flipbook version here; [Copy of NC - MINI MAGAZINE - 16PP - TEMPLATE - FRONT COVER - OUTSIDE \(fliphtml5.com\)](#)

Special mention to Oliver who made his own placard and stood on the playground collecting donations to help **'Save the Tiger.'**

Miss Cadwallader

Our lovely Miss Cadwallader became Mrs Williams at the start of the New Year after getting married over Christmas break. The e-mail address for Mrs Williams is lois.williams@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk

FUNDED PLACES*

AVAILABLE AT KELSALL NURSERY SCHOOL

Kelsall Primary and Nursery School currently have places in their outstanding 2-3-year-old classroom and their 3-4-year-old classroom, term time only.

Wraparound care is available for children aged 3 years and above between 7.30am and 6pm.

From April 2024 eligible working parents in England with children aged 2 will have access to 15 hours childcare. Thousands of families could be saving money on their childcare costs, but some simply don't know what support they might be eligible for. Visit the Childcare Choices website to see what support you might be eligible for or give us a call.

Please book early to secure your child's place!

* Funded places for eligible families



Contact the school office on
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KELSALL
PRIMARY AND
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MOVEMENT FOR FAMILIES

Saturday 11am-12pm - Feb 3rd & 24th, Mar 2nd & 9th

Explore - Connect - Express



Movement & Enerchi

St Marys, Handbridge, Chester, CH4 7HL

'An intuitive, flowing and mindful movement session for families to bond together, involving Freeform Yoga, Somatics, Qi Gong and Freestyle Tai Chi'

These movement sessions are primarily aligned for Neurodivergent children and their parents/guardians to explore, connect and express themselves through various movements. However, anyone is encouraged to come whom feels it will benefit their family. The style of movements and somatic teaching language will help with sensory needs, self-regulation and becoming more embodied. Breathwork and Nature will be a common theme whilst expression, creativity and sound will be encouraged and explored through experimentation and imagination.

Music and Sound will also play an important role in the sessions and will be carefully selected to act as a sound journey. This will vary from calming atmospheric, ambient music to more uptempo and uplifting earthy/organic electronic music, often with elements of nature. Sounds of a healing essence will also be used, such as Therapeutic percussive instruments, Koshi Chimes, Frame drum, Singing bowls etc (You will require bringing a yoga mat, preferably two per family, though there will be lots of movements without the mat).

Contact
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Age - Children 5-12 Price - 1 Adult / 1 Child - £15
2 Adults / 1 Child - £20 2 Adults / 2 children - £25
£3 every extra child
Booking required as places are limited



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Diary Dates

Monday 5 th February	HealthBox Parents Course
Tuesday 6 th February	Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 6 th February	Y6 to THS - Matilda
Wednesday 7 th February	Y1 to Chester Zoo
Wednesday 14 th February	Valentines Special Lunch – Non- uniform day
Friday 16 th February 24	School Closes for SPRING HALF TERM
Monday 26 th February 24	School Opens for SPRING TERM 2
Thursday 29 th February 24	Y5 Fire safety Talk
Weds 6 th to Fri 8 th March 24	Y4 Residential – Tattenhall
Monday 25 th March 24	Tempest Crew Photos
Wednesday 27 th March 24	Y5 Hope Journey - Easter
Tuesday 26 th & Wednesday 27 th March 24	Parent's Evenings
Thursday 28 th March 24	School Closes for EASTER
Friday 29 th March 24	School Closed – GOOD FRIDAY
Monday 15 th April 24	School Opens for SUMMER TERM 1
Monday 6 th May 24	School Closed – BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 7 th to Friday 9 th May 24	Y5 Residential - Cholmondley
Thursday 16 th May 24	Tarporley High School Open Evening
Monday 13 th to Friday 17 th May 24	Y6 SATs Week
Thursday 23 rd to Friday 24 th May 24	Y3 Residential - Delamere
Friday 24 th May 24	School Closes for SUMMER HALF TERM
Monday 3 rd June 24	School Opens for SUMMER TERM 2
Wednesday 19 th to Friday 21 st June 24	Y6 Residential - Conway
Friday 19 th July 24	School closes for SUMMER HOLIDAYS



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Mr Wearing, Mrs White and the Kelsall Crew