



Kelsall Primary & Nursery School

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Friday Flyer – 15th March 24

Dear Parent,

We are into the last two weeks of the Spring term and the weather is finally starting to show some change that will enable us to utilise our grounds more in the summer term. In this flyer; Y4 Residential to Tattenhall, Y1/2 Football tournament, Camp Curiosity planting and more....

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.

Camp Curiosity & Storyhouse

Week beginning	Lottie – STORYHOUSE (Weds)				Gemma – CAMP CURIOSITY (Tues)	
	9:15 - 10:30	10:45-11:45	1:15 - 2:00	2:00 - 3:00	Morning	Afternoon
18th March 24	Y5	Y2	Y3	Y1	3	Reception
25 th March 24	Y6	Y1	Reception	Nursery	2	Reception

Tattenhall

Our Y4 Crew enjoyed their residential visit to Tattenhall last week. The visit started with a short coach ride to Chester. Once dropped off, we made our way to the Deva Experience where we consolidated our knowledge and understanding of the Roman period of history. We became centurions for the morning and used replica shields and (soft foam!) swords to recreate the testudo (tortoise) formation at the Chester Roman Amphitheatre. After exploring the museum artefacts we boarded the coach for the Tattenhall centre where we spent two nights and two days full of outdoor activities. Thanks to Mr Sharp for organising and to Mrs White, Mrs Williams and Mrs Smith for supporting the visit. The Crew were fantastic throughout, showing excellent manners and attitudes.







Quiz Night

A huge thanks to **Dave** from the **Crow's Nest** for organising and hosting a fabulous **Quiz Night** with all proceeds coming to the school PTA. Over **£200** was raised on the night and we look forward to the **Easter Bingo** at the end of term; **28**th **March @4pm also at the Crow's Nest**.

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 **95.9%** which is **1.5%** *above* the national figure and **1.6%** above other North West schools – let's all work on keeping this figure above **National and North West.**

	Kelsall	North West
Oak Crew (Reception)	96.1%	93.2% (+2.9%)
Beech Crew (Year 1)	96.2%	94% (+2.2%)
Ash Crew (Year 2)	<mark>97%</mark>	94.4% (+2.6%)
Maple Crew (Year 3)	93.7%	94.6% (-0.8%)
Elm Crew (Year 4)	96.9%	94.5% (+2.3%)
Willow Crew (Year 5)	95.6%	94.4% (+1.3%)
Cedar Crew (Year 6)	95.3%	94.3% (+1.0%)







WE ARE KELSALL CREW

No passengers • No one left behind

Toys

A reminder that toys, cuddly toys, football cards etc should **not** be brought into school. They often are the cause of fallouts and distraction amongst children and can potentially be lost or damaged.

Football

A huge well done to our Y1/2 football team who came 2nd place in a tournament held at Tarporley High School this week. Thanks to Mr Pickup for organising and to Mrs Smith for coaching the squad.



Camp Curiosity

Y1 Crew and Gemma, our Camp Curiosity expert planted a new hedgerow this week around the calm zone. This will hopefully establish quickly and be a habitat to attract different creatures to the area. Thanks to the Woodland Trust for providing the dog rose, hawthorn and dogwood whips.



Diary Dates

Monday 25 th March 24	Tempest Crew Photos
Wednesday 27 th March 24	Y5 Hope Journey - Easter
Thursday 28th March 24 (4pm)	PTA Easter Bingo @ The Crow's Nest, Kelsall
Tuesday 26 th & Wednesday 27 th March 24	Parent's Evenings
Thursday 28th 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

Be Curious, Creative & Kind

Mr Wearing, Mrs White and the Kelsall Crew

