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'A Love for Learning'

# Friday Flyer – 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Dear Parent,

We are about half-way through this academic year and is lovely to see the amazing learning going on in each classroom. We have started to hold our assemblies in the hall which has been well received by pupils and staff. As we start to live with Covid, we need to build back our school community. Children have been used to operating in isolation in their classes and it is important that we develop and create opportunities for classes and pupils to work together.

## Staffing Update

As many of you will know, Mrs Hook will be leaving at the end of this term for her maternity leave. I know you will all join me in wishing Mrs Hook and her husband well – we look forward to meeting their baby very soon. I am delighted to let you know that Mrs White has been appointed as Vice-Principal for the next two terms. Mrs White will be non-teaching in order to continue her SENDCO role alongside the Vice-Principal duties. We have appointed a fantastic teacher, Mr Glenn Pickup, who will take the Y5 class for the summer term. Y5 have already met Mr Pickup and over the next few weeks we will slowly hand over the class into his hands as well as allowing time for myself to work with Mrs Hook and Mrs White.

# **Covid Update**

Please click on the link below for the most up to date advice on self-isolation and LFD testing. We currently have low cases within school and the Covid rate in the community (Kelsall, Tarvin & Ashton Hayes and surrounding local areas) is currently 379 per 100,000; medium risk – an increase of 76 from 303 last week. Please do continue to be vigilant and follow the guidance;

What to do if you have or might have coronavirus (COVID-19) - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

## **Before and After School Club**

For working parents/carers, or those just needing some extra time in the day, Kelsall Club can help to ease the challenges. Fully qualified and trained staff care for the children in a safe and stimulating environment where children can socialise with their peers, engage in activities and have fun. Whether they wish to play games with their friends or just 'chill out' quietly after the school day, their needs will be catered for at the Club. Kelsall Club is open to all children from 3-11 years old.

#### **Breakfast Club**

- Operates Monday to Friday during term time
- Open from 7.30am 8.40am
- Located in the school hall
- Children are offered a selection of healthy breakfast items
- Cost £5.00 per session

#### **After School Club**

- Operates Monday to Friday during term time
- Two sessions to provide flexibility to working families
- Children attending the early session are offered a selection of healthy snacks.

• Children attending the full session are offered a further healthy snack at 4.45pm. Early Session – from 3.15pm – 4.45pm • Cost £6.00 per session Full Session – from 3.15pm – 6pm • Cost £12.00 per session

Payments are made in advance via ParentPay as per our terms & conditions. To book onto club please contact;

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KELSALL Club

**Club Manager: Donna Dunn on 07572264215** (Please leave a voice message if there is no reply.) More information here: <u>Kelsall Primary School: Before and After School Club</u>

#### **The Nest**

Our Nest is a superb sanctuary where pupils across school can be supported by our **ELSA** (*Emotional Literacy Support Assistant*) trained **Learning Mentor** – **Mrs Whiteside**. The Nest has its own entrance and a wide range of resources to support pupils and teachers. Mental health and well-being is an important part of our ethos at Kelsall and **The Nest** brings together a range of resources and strategies to do that in a highly effective way. Mrs Whiteside has recently taken courses in **Drawing Therapy** and **Lego Therapy** to support her role. In the near future we will be adding a sensory pathway to the Nest to support some of our pupils. We will keep developing our **Nest Padlet** to share a range of online resources - **The Nest** 



(padlet.com) – if you have any good sites that you think would be worth adding – please let us know.



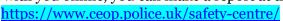




## **Internet Safety**

Please visit our E-safety padlet for hints and helpful tips for navigating the vast array of apps that our children are using. Click here - ->> E-Safety (padlet.com) I have also attached the latest edition of Digital Parenting that you can read online here; Digital Parenting | Vodafone

**CEOPS** is the Child Exploitation and Online Protection command agency. If you are worried about online sexual abuse or the way someone has been communicating with you online, you can make a report at the CEOP website.



There is also a wealth of information about keeping your child safe online. Our RSE curriculum ensures that children learn about e-safety at school and we ask that you follow this up by chatting to your child at home. Internet Matters has a huge range of advice from social media settings to home filtering. I would start with this website: https://www.internetmatters.org/

Think you Know (Think U Know) is dedicated to educating young people and parents on the dangers of the internet: <a href="https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/">https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/</a>

The Safer Internet Centre is also a good place for information: <a href="https://saferinternet.org.uk/">https://saferinternet.org.uk/</a>



Mrs White will be leading a Conscious Discipline Parent Workshop on Zoom on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 5:00pm**. The session will be recorded if you cannot make it but it will be an opportunity to ask questions in the chat and find out more about our approach to supporting behaviour in school; some ideas that may be useful at home too.

More information about our approach here:

Kelsall Primary School: Conscious Discipline#



# **Routines - IMPORTANT**

Please can you ensure you all use the **pedestrian entrances** into school. To avoid any accidents, please **DO NOT** use the main car park and the smaller car park as some staff and visitors use at the start and end of the school day.

#### Football Kit

A huge thanks to Matt and the team at Empire Commercial for sponsoring two brand new football kits. They look great! We look forward to using them very soon.

Well done to our Y1/2 Football team who came first in a mini tournament just before half-term and came back with a fabulous trophy.

Our Y6 team played brilliantly too against The Arches Primary in our first cup match. We lost 1-0 in a very wet and well fought game.





#### Forest School

Last weekend, a team of determined parents led by Mrs Dia tackled the overgrown area at the back end of school. This area is under development with plans for a fire pit, nature pond and den building area. A huge thanks to everyone who gave their time. As you can see from the images below – the team worked hard to clear and organise the area. If you can help this Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> in the morning – please come on down.





## **Y3** Residential

Y3 enjoyed a two night stay at the Tattenhall Centre this week. On the way, they stopped off at the SeaLife centre and tackled climbing and the zip-wire challenge as well as lots of team working activities. Thanks to Miss Cadwallader and Mrs Hook for organising and supervising such a brilliant visit.





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