

Friday Flyer – 18th September 2020

Dear Parent

We've come to the end of another successful and busy full week at school. After quickly settling into routines last week, the children and staff have continued in the same vein. I have had the opportunity to quickly drop into all classes over the past week and have observed fantastic learning in every visit. I've said on many occasion that the school felt empty and dull during lockdown. It certainly has come alive again. I am so pleased to see smiling, happy pupils and parents every morning. I would like to thank you all for continuing to support the staggered drop off and pick up times which are working extremely well.

8.40 - Year 5&6 and any younger siblings

8.45 - Year 3&4 and any younger siblings

8.50 - Year 1&2 and any younger siblings

8:55 - Reception and younger siblings

9.00 - Nursery

3.00 - Reception, Nursery and siblings

3.10 - Year 1&2&3 and siblings

3.20 - Year 4&5&6 and siblings

Please ensure that you are as **on time** as much as possible and that you do not congregate in groups on the playground or at the gates. Children should not play on the field or play equipment at any time before or after school and should stay at all times with parents. Also, please continue to follow our one-way system as it helps with the flow of pedestrians in and out of the school grounds.

Covid Update

Thank you for being so vigilant and for following the government guidelines for Covid. We have had a handful of cases and individuals have been able to be quickly tested and all have, up to now, resulted in negative tests and children are then able to return to school. Please continue to follow the guidance below, helping us all to keep local infection rates down as much as possible.

If you or someone in your immediate family develops one or more of the following symptoms then you should inform school, self-isolate and get a test. Once you have the result of the test you should inform school again. Please follow the quick guide attached alongside this flyer.

- **a high temperature**
- **a new, continuous cough**
(This means coughing a lot for more than an hour or three or more episodes of coughing in a day)
- **a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste.**

SCHOOL PING/PARENT PAY

School Ping is a mobile app that we use in school to communicate with you all. It is **vital** important that you are set up with the system so that any news or urgent messages from school can be shared quickly and to everyone.

In addition, ParentPay is our online contactless payment system. Please ensure you are set up.

If you are having difficulties setting up these apps please do contact the school office who will guide you through the process - businessmanager@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk

CONTACTING SCHOOL

If you are contacting school via e-mail could you ensure that you include your child's full name and year group in the subject of the mail. Thank you.

SNACKS

Thank you for providing a morning snack for your child/ren. The school fruit and milk scheme has restarted predominantly for Nursery, Reception and Year 1. We do have some extra fruit to offer in case children forget. We are a **nut free school** so please ensure any snacks sent in **do not** contain nuts and that they are healthy choices (*no crisps, sweets or chocolate bars please*).

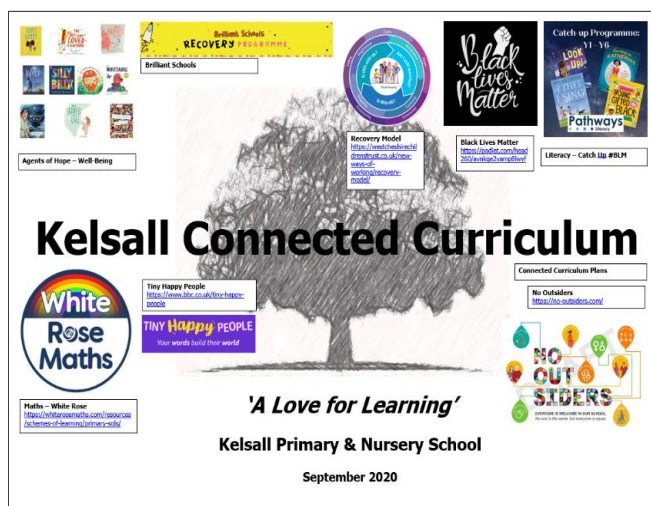
MUSIC FOR LIFE

If your child has a Music for Life lesson, please ensure that you send in instruments and any booklets as these cannot be shared at the moment.

HOMEWORK

Homework will set tonight for all year groups – Y1 to Y6 via our See-Saw online learning portal. Login credential will be brought home by children tonight. If you need support with usernames and passwords then please do contact your child's class teacher or Miss Creek chloe.creek@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk

CONNECTED CURRICULUM



We continue to develop our '**Connected Curriculum**' incorporating some additional elements to support children's mental health and well-being as they return to school. There are some great resources here for all families;

<https://westcheshirechildrenstrust.co.uk/new-ways-of-working/recovery-model/>

We are using the fantastic '**Catch Up Programme**' from the Literacy Company which uses high quality texts links to Black Lives Matter themes for this first term.

Agents of Hope uses high quality picture books to help children explore some of their thoughts and feelings towards lockdown and coming back into school. Click on the highlighted titles to hyperlink and find out more.

NURSERY/RECEPTION 2021



RECEPTION & NURSERY 2021

If your child is starting school or nursery in September 2021 and you would like an **individual tour** of our school, please call **01829 752811** to make an appointment with the Principal and Vice Principal.



Have a great weekend

Mr Wearing, Miss Creek
& the Kelsall Team.

