



## Kelsall Primary & Nursery School

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# Friday Flyer – 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

Dear Parent,

Thank you for your support over this academic year. It has been one where we've slowly but surely got back to some normality despite some of the difficulties that we still faced, and continue to face, due to covid. It has been lovely to have you back in the school building as we build back after the various lockdowns and restrictions. In this final newsletter, I want to reflect on some of the successes from this year and look forward to 2022-23.

## **Year 6 (Cedar Class)**

This photo says it all really! We wave a fond farewell to our Y6 TEAM who all move on to the next part of their learning journeys at secondary school. You were all fantastic at the leavers play on Wednesday night with many a lump in the throat and a tear shed in recognition of all the individual and group contributions you've made to Kelsall school over the years. We wish you all well and will keep a close eye and ear on how you are all doing. Thanks to all the teachers and support staff who've guided you along the way; especially Mr Ward who has taught you for the last two years of your primary school. **You are all AMAZING!** Good luck for the future.





#### **KS2 SATs Results 2022**

Each and every pupil in Y6 has made tremendous progress during their time at Kelsall Primary & Nursery School. This is reflected in our Y6 SATs results for this year. Well done to all the pupils and a huge thanks to all of their teachers, teaching assistants and you as parents for the support and guidance you have given them over the past 7 years. I know that the pupils all leave with that 'Love for Learning' and have had many opportunities to experience a broad and balanced curriculum that will stand them in good stead for their move to high school.

Subject	Kelsall	National	Difference	Kelsall	Kelsall	National
	Percentage of children achieving the expected	Percentage of children achieving the expected	Kelsall v National	Percentage of children achieving <mark>higher</mark>	Average scaled score	Average scaled score
	standard	standard		standard	110+ =GDS	110+ =GDS
RWM* Combined	81%	59%	+22%	16%		
Reading	94%	74%	+20%	44%	109	105
Writing	88%	69%	+19%	19%		
Maths	91%	71%	+20%	28%	106	104
GPS**	94%	72%	+22%	44%	110	105

**RWM\*** - Reading, Writing and Maths Combined – achieved the Expected Standard in all three subjects **GPS\*\*** - Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling

GDS comparisons to National as well as progress data will be made available in Oct 2022.

## **Staffing**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank members of our staff who are leaving Kelsall Primary & Nursery at the end of the year. A huge thanks to Miss Bridges, Mrs Dia and Mrs Lappin. They have all left a lasting mark on Kelsall and we appreciate all that they have done over their time here. Rhianne from Storyhouse is leaving her position to travel next year; she has been amazing over the past 3 years and we will miss her. We will continue our relationship with another Creative Practitioner next year.

In the New Year we welcome new staff, highlighted below. I know that you will give them all a warm Kelsall Primary & Nursery welcome.

Class	Teacher	Teaching Assistant (am)	Teaching Assistant (pm)		
Acorns Nursery	Miss Kerry Edwards	Mrs Vicky Garner, Mrs Nic Davies, Mrs Kerry Woodford, Mrs Steph Whittaker.			
Saplings Nursery	Miss Hayley Nixon	Mrs Leah Robinson			
Oak Reception	Miss Lois Cadwallader	Mrs Kelly White	Miss Jess Owen		
Beech Year 1	Miss Laura Pope	Mrs Lucy Harrison			
Ash Year 2	Mrs Iola Ward Mrs Katy Smith (1 Day)	Miss Jess Owen (1:1/Class TA)  Mr Martin Hall (1:1)	Mrs Kelly White (1:1/Class TA)  Mr Martin Hall (1:1)		
Maple Year 3	Mr Duncan Sharp	Mrs Gillian Holder			
Elm Year 4	Mr Macauley Duncanson Mrs Katy Smith (1 Day)	Mrs Emma Page-Uren			
Willow Year 5	Mr Chris Ward		Mrs Gillian Holder		
Cedar Year 6	Mr Glenn Pickup	Mrs Kathryn Crawford (1:1)	Mrs Kathryn Crawford (1:1)		

#### **PTA Summer Fair**

Thanks to Emma, Lorna, Andy and many, many other parents for supporting our first Summer Fair in a long while. It was great to see so many parents getting involved to support fundraising for the school. The team raised £1351 and a further £112 on Sports Day. There will be a Family Welcome Picnic at the start of the next academic year with a PTA Annual General Meeting too. We hope to restart many of the fundraising activities that have supported the development of the school so well. We need your help so please do come to the AGM, even if it is to let us know you are able to support now and again.

Parent Survey

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
The school lets me know how my child is doing	29%	52% <mark>(81%)</mark>	15%	4%	0%
There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school	53%	40% <mark>(93%)</mark>	1%	0%	6%
My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school	50%	45% <mark>(9<b>5</b>%)</mark>	3%	1%	1%
The school supports my child's wider development	51%	39% <mark>(90%)</mark>	5%	0%	5%
I would recommend this school to another parent	Yes – <b>98%</b>	No – 2%			

Thanks to everyone who completed our last Parent Survey of 2022. Exactly **100 parents** answered the questions.

**The school lets me know how my child is doing**; we will be working on this next academic year to ensure that information that you receive is of good value and lets you know how your child is doing. This will be through parent's evenings, drop in events and other school events. Teachers are always available to e-mail if you have any concerns or worries throughout the year.

#### **Parent Pay**

Please can you ensure that any remaining debt on Parent Pay is cleared so that the admin office can set up for 2022-23.

## **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;

Club Manager: Donna Dunn on 07572264215 (Please leave a voice message if

there is no reply.) More information here: Kelsall Primary School: Before and After School Club

# Developments 2022

The school has seen some big transformations this year. Our new MUGA which has been a massive hit with all children as well as external clubs (Tarvin JFC) was installed at the end of August 2021. In addition the wetpour on the concrete areas of the playground has enhanced our sports provision and has dramatically reduced accidents.

Our Saplings Nursery outdoor area has been revamped and is a welcoming and well-resourced area. Acorns have also had new equipment and a full length window fitted so that staff and pupils can see into their outdoor areas.

Our early year's pupils have had brand new balance bikes, scooters, outdoor construction blocks, a kitchen role play area, mud kitchen as well as a range of other resources to support learning and development.

Our IT provision continues to develop with new I-pads for staff to support their teaching and learning. Our sound and vision equipment in the hall is due to be upgraded over the summer holidays with new speakers, PA system and an upgraded projector.



We have also been able to appoint more Teaching Assistant support this year and will keep growing the TEAM to support our pupils.

## **Projects for 2022**

Over the summer holidays and into the autumn term we have a number of exciting projects that will be completed. The wooded area at the back of the football pitch is being fenced off and will be transformed into an art area for the pupils to draw and create at breaks and lunch times. I have also submitted a National Lottery bid for an outdoor classroom which be added to this space too – fingers crossed!



Year 2 will have a door added through to the Kilner room to provide an area for small group work interventions. The Y2 outdoor area is also being redesigned to make it useable and will have a canopy and artificial grass surface. The playground will have two new basketball posts to replace the slightly worn ones is use at the moment.

A sensory pathway to our Nest provision (see below) will also be installed early autumn. A small area of Reception, under their canopy, will be glazed to provide a much-needed writing area outside. Our Camp Curiosity will have a shelter installed and the fire pit area will be developed, alongside a mud kitchen area.

Finally, the No Outsiders minibus will be completed as a quiet area to read.

## 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* 









#### **Internet Safety**

– please let us know.

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. <a href="https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/">https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/</a>

What parents need to know about

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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: <a href="https://www.internetmatters.org/">https://www.internetmatters.org/</a>

# **Diary Dates – 2022-2023**

Thursday 1st September 22	CAT INSET Day – Staff ONLY		
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 22	Kelsall INSET Day - Staff ONLY		
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 22	School Opens for all pupils including Nursery and Reception		
	Welcome Breakfast for pupils and families – 8:15 to 8:40 on the playground		
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 22	Year 6 Swimming sessions begin (every Monday) coach leaves at 9 am		
Tuesday 6th September 22	Camp Curiosity – Parent Helper Day – to tidy up and get ready for the new		
	year.		
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September 22	Welcome Picnic – All families; quiz, prizes and activities - 3.20pm – 5pm		
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September 22 to	Year 5 Bikeability.		
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September 22			
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 22	All Staff – Safeguarding Refresher Training – after school		
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> September 22	Meet the Teacher <b>Y6</b> and <b>Reception</b> $(3:15-3:45)$		
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 22	Meet the Teacher $\mathbf{Y5}$ and $\mathbf{Y1}$ (3:15 – 3:45)		
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 22	Meet the Teacher <b>Y2</b> (3:15 – 3:45)		
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 22	Meet the Teacher <b>Y3</b> and <b>Y4</b> (3:15 – 3:45)		
w/b 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Baseline Assessment Week		
Monday 26th September 22 to	School led After School Clubs to start (will not run w/b 17/10/22 due to		
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November 22	Parent's Evenings)		
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September 22	SEND at Kelsall – Information session for parents 3:30 – 4:30		
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 22	SCiE Team Health Check for Kelsall		
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 22	Conscious Discipline Workshop for parents – 5pm to 6pm		
Wednesday 19th October 22	Romeo and Juliet Workshops (Storyhouse)		
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 22	Parent's Evenings		
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 22			
Thursday 20th October 22	Tempest <mark>Individual</mark> Photos		
Friday 21st October 22	Share the Learning Afternoon – 2:00pm to 3:00pm		
Friday 21st October 22	School Closes for HALF TERM		
Monday 31st October 22	INSET Day – Staff ONLY		
Tuesday 1st November 22	School opens for pupils		
Friday 16th December 22	School Closes for CHRISTMAS		
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 23	INSET Day – Staff ONLY		
Wednesday 4th January 23	School opens for pupils		
Friday 17th February 23	School Closes for SPRING HALF TERM		
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 23	School opens for pupils		
Friday 31st March 23	School Closes for <b>EASTER BREAK</b>		
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 23	School opens for pupils		
Monday 1st May 23	MAY DAY – School closed		
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 23	School opens for pupils		
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 23	School Closes for HALF TERM		
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 23	INSET Day – Staff ONLY		
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 23	School opens for pupils		
Friday 21st July 23	School Closes for <b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b>		
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	School opens for pupils		

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