

Friday Flyer – 23rd October 2020

Dear Parent

This has been an **AMAZING** first term at Kelsall Primary & Nursery School. Despite the obvious Covid-19 changes, the whole school community has pulled together to ensure a smooth return for the children and staff. I would like to thank you all for your superb support and understanding. It is lovely to see the smiles on children's faces as they come into school, filling the classrooms and corridors once again with the buzz and excitement of learning. We will no doubt have some more challenging times ahead and we will continue with the positive relationships we have developed over the years, informing you clearly and quickly of any changes we need to make. Can I encourage you all to follow our twitter accounts that show the range of work that we do each and every day. Follow us **@KelsallSchool @KelsallNursery**

INSET DAY

A reminder that the children's first day back to school after half-term is **Tuesday 3rd November**. Staff will be in school as an INSET training day on Monday 2nd November.

Covid Update

If you or someone in your immediate family develops one or more of the following symptoms, then you should **inform school** (principal@kelsall.cheshire.sch.uk) **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.**

TIER 2 GUIDANCE

Attached alongside this flyer is a letter from Ian Ashworth (Director of Public Health for Cheshire West & Chester). It outlines our Tier 2 guidance...

*I would like to remind staff, parents/carers and pupils that to ensure we keep rates of the virus down you **should not**:*

- *mix with people outside your household (or support bubble), **this includes not mixing in the household of pupils you are in a bubble with at school.***
- *hold parties to celebrate Halloween with people outside your household (or support bubble)*
- *visit restaurants with people outside of your household.*

*I would **encourage** you to:*

- *Shop local*
- *Visit local restaurants with your household (or support bubble)*
- *Enjoy our great local outdoor parks and woodland*
- *Participate in local COVID secure events with people from your household (or support bubble)*
- *Wear face coverings when required*
- *Wash your hands regularly*
- *Maintain two metre social distancing from people outside of your household (or support bubble)*
- *Self-isolate with your household and get tested if you develop symptoms of COVID- 19*

ROUTINES

Our pick up and drop off times are working particularly well – thanks for your support with this. A few slight **changes** to the timings for after half-term below;

8.40 -Year 5&6 and any younger siblings

8.45 -Year 3&4 and any younger siblings

8.50 -Reception, Year 1&2 and any 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. The gates will **close** at **8:55 prompt**.

All adults to **wear a face covering** when visiting or entering the school premises **including outdoor yard areas**.

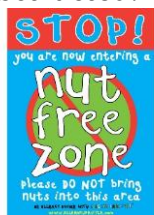
Parents/carers to arrive and leave promptly when dropping off/collecting their child – **please do not congregate** and maintain social distancing as we know that the virus is easily transmitted from person to person.

In schools where it has been agreed that a parent/carer can enter the school premises for drop off and pick up, **only one adult should enter**.

Please continue to follow our one-way system as it helps with the flow of pedestrians in and out of the school grounds.

PARKING

Please do park considerately around school, ensuring that neighbours driveways are not blocked or obstructed.



NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please remember that we are a nut free school. Please do not send in any lunch or snacks that have nuts of any type in the ingredients. We have a number of children with allergies and appreciate your continued support with this.

E-SAFETY

As new rules come into place and where individuals and families are asked to isolate, we will inevitably rely on a range of internet based entertainment and networks. This website - <https://www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting> is a great source of advice and ideas around supporting you and your family with navigating the internet safely. Whether on phone, tablet, computer or gaming platform – there are resources to help.

Please take the time to chat with your child about their online usage and safety, as we do regularly in school. The latest Digital Parenting magazine is here (and attached alongside the Flyer).

https://secure.schoolspider.co.uk/uploads/31/page/799147_page_file.pdf

These guides on our e-safety Padlet are also useful - <https://en-gb.padlet.com/head260/djn1jsffrduiyicz>

NURSERY

Nursery staff enjoyed a training evening this week resulting in some new activities for the children to support their fine and gross motor skills.



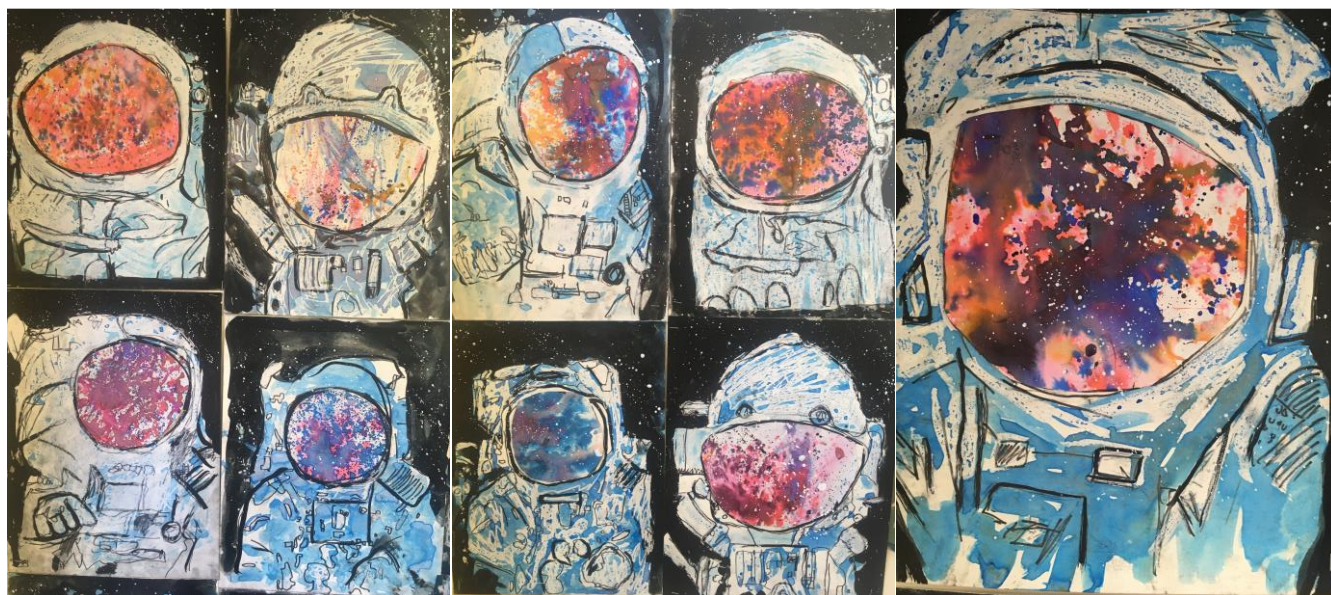
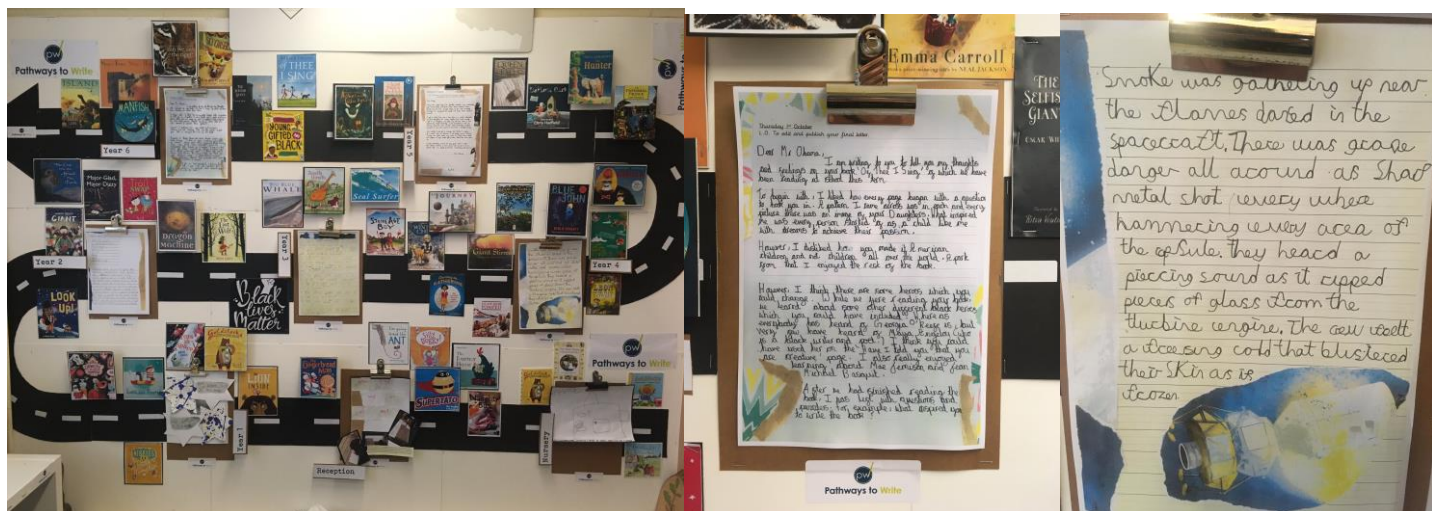
STEAM - #RocketKids

Y4 and Y2 have been working on designing, launching and modifying rockets this week using our new pneumatic air launcher. They all loved watching their rockets shoot skywards and were amazed at the heights that they went, too! We used mathematics and angles to work out the altitude of the rockets.



PATHWAYS TO WRITE

Our Pathways to Write #BLM units of work have been a fantastic way to kick start our curriculum with a range of activity in other foundation subjects linked in. We will start new units of work after half-term. Our road map below showcases the outstanding level of writing form Nursery through to Year 6 and some amazing Y2 Astronauts inspired by their book 'Look Up'!



Have a great half-term!

Mr Wearing, Miss Creek & the Kelsall Team.