

Friday Flyer – 7th October 2022

Dear Parent,

We have two busy weeks left before we break for half term on **21st October**. A reminder that the first Monday after the half-term break; **Monday 31st October is an INSET day for staff only**—pupils return on **Tuesday 1st November**.

Please look out for details of how to book your Parent's Evening slots next week. This is an opportunity to speak to your child's class teacher and to discuss successes and areas that may need some support, both at home and school. We have decided that these meetings are best face-to-face.

Teach Active

Our staff meeting this week was delivered by Jon Smedley, the CEO of **Teach Active**. Teach Active is a multi-award winning resource that provides schools and teachers with lesson plans and resources designed to deliver the Maths and English curriculum through physically active learning. Teachers will start to weave some of these sessions into their curriculum over the coming term. You can find out more about the resource here;

[What is Teach Active? - Teach Active](#)



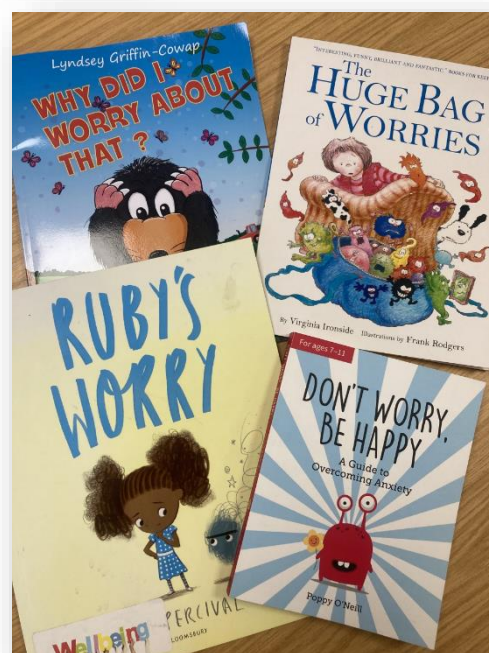
The NEST

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. Our **Nest Padlet** shares a range of online resources - [The Nest \(padlet.com\)](#) supporting pupils mental health and well-being – if you have any good sites that you think would be worth adding – please let us know.

In each Friday Flyer, Mrs Whiteside will sign post you to some valuable resources.

This week Mrs Whiteside would like to signpost you all to these fabulous books as conversations starters;

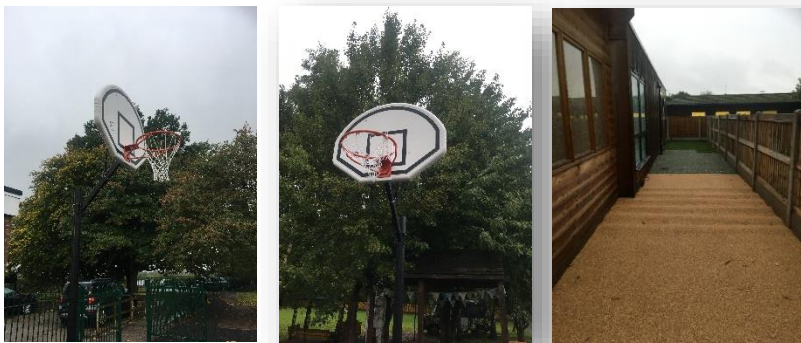
Stories can be a great way of talking to children about sharing their worries, no matter how big or small. Here are a few of my favourites that I use regularly in The Nest. They are great way of starting conversations that help children to begin to make sense of their own feelings and understand ways to manage their emotions.



Wellbeing Little Lending Library

Mrs Whiteside has set up a **Lending Library** – on the entrance to [The Nest](#) where you can loan some of the books shown above to support your child at home. All that we ask is that you sign it out and return once you've used it. If you have any books you feel would be of use, please let us know.

Basketball Posts



Thanks to **Pentagon Play** who were here last week to install our two new fixed **basketball posts** and a super new **sensory pathway** to our Learning Mentor base – **The Nest**. The team will be back after half term to complete our Y2 canopy and to enclose some of the Reception canopy to make an outdoor classroom area.

No Outsiders Parent Guides

We are proud to be a flagship school for **No Outsiders**. As a trustee for the charity, I continue to develop ideas to support equality and diversity in our school and many others. Recently, our fabulous IT support group – headed up by Dan Woolley have kindly sponsored **1000 No Outsiders Parent Guides**. The guides explain the scheme of work and how this supports our RSE curriculum. I have attached an electronic copy to this flyer but if you would like a paper copy please ask at the school office. All Reception parents will have a copy sent home tonight.



SchoolSpider

As a school we've been using our PING communication app for some time now and it has proved really successful. There is a substantial cost to school for this service and the company that has provided our school website for a number of years now offers this service to us for free. We will save £2000 per year by switching to use **School Spider** for our communications to you. The office will have been in touch notifying you all of this. Please do download the School Spider app and login in – you may already be used to this as we use it to book after school clubs. **We will fully use this app after the half-term break.**



Conscious Discipline Parent Workshop

Mrs White will be leading a Conscious Discipline Parent Workshop next **Thursday 13th October 22 - 5:00pm – 6:00pm**. The session will be an opportunity to ask questions 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#](#)



PARKING

Please can we all make sure that we park safely and considerately around school. **The yellow zig-zag lines at the main and nursery entrance to school should NOT be parked on under any circumstances.** These are the areas where children are more likely to be crossing. Could you also remember to only use the pedestrian gate to enter school; not across the staff car park as cars come and go at all times of the day.

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](#)



The Chill-Out Zone

Internet Safety

*During the past week I have been concerned with some of the websites and apps that pupils have been discussing and potentially using that are not age-appropriate; backdoor and huggy wuggy etc. Some of the content is horror based and inappropriate for primary pupils. **Please try and check in with your child around the content they are using and watching.***

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.

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

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: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

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



Has someone done something online that has made you or a child or young person you know, feel worried or unsafe? Click on the link to the left

Dates for after half-term including Reindeer Dash, Santa Breakfast, Christmas Performances and much more will be on next week's flyer.

Thanks for your continued support...

Kind Regards – Be Curious, Creative and Kind.....

Mr Wearing, Mrs White and the Kelsall T.E.A.M