

Friday Flyer – Friday 25th November 2022

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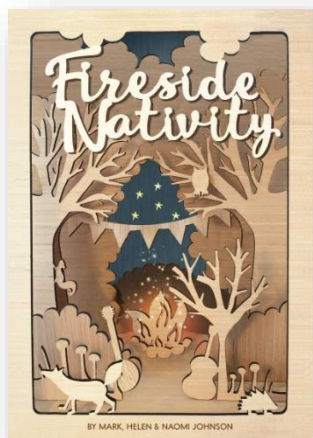
Only three weeks left of the autumn term and preparations for our **'Fireside Nativity'** are going well. Fingers crossed for a dry night. I will keep an eye on the weather and if needed we will push to Thursday 15th December; so keep that night in reserve. I am looking forward to a magical Christmassy evening and the children are excited to share their words and songs with you all. **Nursery** have a stay and play session for families on **Tuesday 13th December at 2:00pm** – Miss Nixon will send more details.

We are delighted to welcome **Mrs Emma Payne** to our team who will be leading our Acorns room. Emma brings a wealth of experience to the team and we are so pleased to have her on board.

Diary Dates

Friday 2 nd December 22	Santa Claus Breakfast and Reindeer Dash
Monday 5 th December 22	Nursery – St Philips Visit
Wednesday 7 th December 22	Y2 – Hope Journey Christmas Service
Thursday 8 th December 22	PTA Christmas Disco
Tuesday 13 th December 22	Nursery Craft Afternoon
Wednesday 14 th December 22	Whole School Christmas Performance – 5:00 onwards
Thursday 15 th & Friday 16 th Dec	Class Silent Christmas Discos
Thursday 15 th December 22	Christmas Lunch
Friday 16th December 22	School Closes for CHRISTMAS
Tuesday 3 rd January 23	INSET Day – Staff ONLY
Wednesday 4th January 23	School opens for pupils

Fireside Nativity



Preparations are well under way for our **'Fireside Nativity'**. All pupils from Reception to Y6 will be involved and we will welcome you to **'Kelsall Primary & Nursery School's Annual Christmas Camp 2022'** on **Wednesday 14th December @ 5:00pm**.

Year 2 will be taking on the lead parts with support from all other year groups as Kings, Angels, Sheep, Shepherds and more! Hot dogs, hot chocolate with marshmallows and AF mulled wine will be served. We invite you to join our Christmas Camp with your own chairs and blankets!

Class teachers will have loaded their See-Saw pages with the songs and words to learn at home. You can find all the songs and words here too...

[Fireside Nativity \(padlet.com\)](https://www.padlet.com/)

Attendance

Attendance at school is important both academically and for social/emotional reasons. Whilst we understand that pupils will be absent from time to time due to illness; absence from school for other reasons should only be for exceptional circumstances. As a school we look at each request for leave from school on a case by case basis.

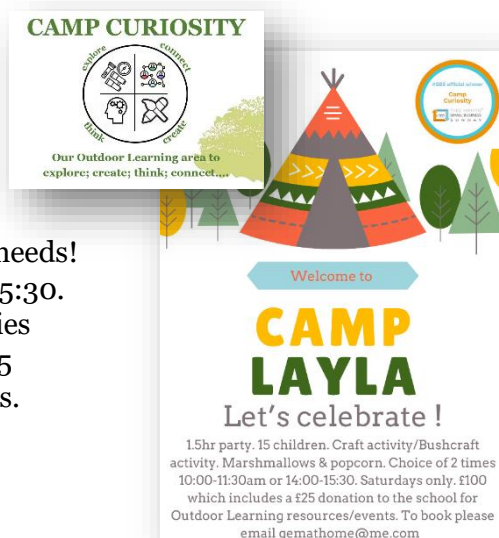
Holidays taken in term time will be subject to a fine. Where **attendance** falls below **90%** for any pupil, we will contact you to discuss this and put in any additional support needed. Persistent absence can also result in a fixed fine.

Job Vacancies

We have vacancies for **Midday Assistants** and a **Deputy Play leader** for our growing before and after school club – details on our website; [Kelsall Primary School: Vacancies](#) – Please do contact school if you would like more information.

Camp Curiosity

We continue to develop and enjoy our **Camp Curiosity** area and will be working on improving this area over the coming months. As a part of our growing relationship with **Gemma**, our outdoor learning expert, we will be offering a Camp Curiosity after school club (Tuesdays after Christmas) and **Camp Lyla, Let's Celebrate** for your birthday party needs! This will be on our school site; Saturdays, either 10:00-11:30 or 14:00-15:30. An hour and half party for **15** children to include craft/bushcraft activities alongside marshmallows and popcorn will be £100 which includes a £25 donation to our school which will be used for outdoor learning resources. Contact gemathome@me.com if you are interested in booking a party.



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](#)

KELSALL Club



The Chill-Out Zone



PTA Christmas Disco

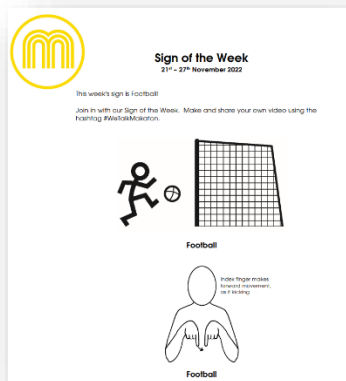
The DISCO is back!! Thanks to our hard working PTA, we will be holding a Christmas Disco for KS1 and KS2 on **Thursday 8th November.**

KS1 (Reception, Y1 and Y2) – **5:00 – 6:00pm**

KS2 (Y3, 4, 5 & 6) – **6:10 – 7:10pm**

DJ Dave will be providing the tunes – lots of 80s and modern with a splash of Christmas. So, dress to impress and get practicing those dance moves.

Makaton Sign of the Week



Thanks to **Mrs Crawford** for sending in our **Makaton** sign of the week for our Friday Flyer. It fits in nicely with the World Cup! The video for the sign can be found here; <https://youtu.be/G4U28RGp99I>

In addition, Mrs Crawford has added the Makaton signs to two of our songs for our Fireside Nativity. You can access them here on our **Padlet**;

[Fireside Nativity \(padlet.com\)](https://www.padlet.com)

– please do support your child with learning the songs and Makaton signs at home. Fair warning – the songs are very catchy and quickly become ‘earworms’!

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 \(padlet.com\)](https://www.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. Top tip from Mrs Whiteside for this week; As well as talking about our feelings, it's really helpful to scale them too. When we know how strong our feelings are, we can find appropriate strategies that will help us to feel a little calmer. Here is an example of an anger scale we use in The Nest...*



Internet Safety

Thanks to **Mr Sharp** for his hard work developing **E-safety and Computing** at Kelsall. The website link below has a range of support and guides to support you with navigating the tricky world wide web, apps and social media. It only takes a minute to create an account to access some superb resources. If you would like a physical copy of the latest ‘Digital Parenting’ booklet then please ask at the school office.

Y3 Water Cycle

Year 3 have produced some fabulous water coloured diagrams of the water cycle linked to their core connected curriculum book **‘Winter’s Child’**. Well done y3 – they look amazing.



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



Breaktime snacks

Please ensure that snacks for break are healthy – no crisps, sweets or chocolate please.

We are a **NUT FREE** school as many of our pupils have severe allergies – please **do not** send in snacks that contain nuts or nuts as snacks. Fruit is always offered free of charge firstly to **Nursery & Reception** and then to the rest of the school.

