

# Kellington Primary School



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## Friday 22nd October 2021

We have made it to the end of our first half term of the academic year 2021/22. In some ways it has been a long seven weeks and in other ways it has flown by. Both the children and adults are ready for the half term break and some 'down time'.

It has been lovely to have some normality back into our school life this half term and the children have worked really hard, that is reflected in the progress they have made. I have encouraged children this week to take a look back at the work they completed only seven weeks ago, just to reflect on how far they have come in such a short time. There is evidence all across the school of the hard work the children have put into their learning and my staff into the teaching. Well done Team Kellington for all you have achieved this half term.

Unfortunately we have been plagued by various illnesses again this week and some of our children (and staff) have felt quite unwell. Fortunately it hasn't been as a result of Covid, however we do hope those who are poorly start to feel better soon.

**Harvest** A big thank you to Team Kellington from Selby Foodbank. They were delighted with your donations and they will support those in need over the coming months.

**Roses Class** Unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances Mrs Dixon was unable to join Mrs Beadnell-Bevan at her parents consultations this week, however we are looking forward to welcoming her to Team Kellington on Monday 1st November, when she will take over as the class teacher for Roses. Mrs Beadnell-Bevan will be in school on some days during the first two weeks after half term, before she starts her maternity leave.

**PTA** The PTA have drawn the raffle and hopefully the prizes will have made their way to the rightful winners by now. Thank you for your support.

**On Monday 1st November the PTA** will be running the Halloween disco. There will be a session for children in nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 from 3.30-4.15pm (parents of nursery children must stay at the disco with their child please, all other parents to leave their child unless discussed with school prior to the event) and then a second session for children in Years 3-6 from 4.30-5.15pm.



Children are encouraged to come in fancy dress, there will be music, games and refreshments. The price for the event is £2.50 per child which can be paid on the door. This price includes a drink, a hotdog, a small packet of sweets and a glow in the dark bracelet.

Please bring your child to the main entrance at the start of the disco and collect from the hall door (which opens onto the field), at the end of the session

**Our Christmas Fair is from 3.30pm on Friday 26th November.** If you are interested in hosting a stall at this event or know of anyone who may be interested, please contact the PTA via their facebook page or leave a message for them at the school office.



The PTA has a Facebook Page that parents can join to keep up to date with all their news. The link is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/678444229358277/permalink/1000713083798055/>

Please do not forget we also have a collection box for old ink cartridges in the entrance foyer. If you have any empty ink cartridges could you donate them to school as part of our fundraising. The preloved uniform is available to purchase at any time and donations of preloved uniform can be popped in the blue bin outside of school. .

**Parking** Whilst we are pleased that parents are not using the layby to park at drop off and pick-up, unless they are entitled to ( i.e Blue badge holder or school transport), unfortunately some people are continuing to be inconsiderate and unsafe when parking on the roads around school. We are all busy people and getting children to school in the morning can be stressful, however please be considerate and do not block our neighbours' driveways. Also please park your car safely. On more than one occasion there have been instances of cars just being 'dumped' not parked, making the road for vehicles and pedestrians unsafe. Please can we be a little more responsible when bringing your precious cargo to school and considerate of the other children and parents and of those who live within our school community. Come on Team Kellington, let's get this sorted and make drop and pick up times pleasant and safe for everyone .



### STARS OF THE WEEK

**Sunflowers - Noah**

**Daffodils - Emily**

**Roses - Lilly**

**Tulips - Karlson**

**Lilies - Mia**





**STAR OF THE TERM**

**Sunflowers - Frankie**

**Daffodils - Riley**

**Roses - Brax**

**Tulips - Maisy**

**Lilies - Monte**



## Houses

The winning house this week is **Roall**

The winning house of the term is **Roall**

## Waiting in the morning for classroom doors to open

Please when you are bringing your child to school in the morning can you ensure they stay close to you until the classroom doors are open and they are not running around the carpark or the discovery zone. We have had a report from one of our close neighbours that pebbles have been thrown over the school fence into their garden whilst children are waiting to go into school. We will ensure classroom doors are open promptly however please can I ask that your children are supervised appropriately until handed over to us for the day. Many thanks for your cooperation with this matter

## Uniform

**Please can we ask that you put your child's name in their uniform.** We are still finding jumpers, shorts, shoes etc around school without names and often there doesn't appear to be anyone missing them. Also having your child's uniform named helps prevent the wrong person going home in it!

## PE Kit

All PE kits will come home at half term. Please ensure that your child brings their kit back to school on the first day of the new half term.



## Water bottles and lunch boxes

All water bottles and lunch boxes need to come home over half term. Please ensure your child's bottle is labelled for the start of the new half term.

## School meals

Thank you again for pre-ordering your child's meals through Parentpay. This is a real help as we then know what you have chosen is something they like and we can, if needed, encourage them to eat.

If you have any questions or queries about the process, our school meals, your child has any dietary requirements, or you have not yet received a log-in activation letter, please do not hesitate to contact the school office ([admin@kp.starmat.uk](mailto:admin@kp.starmat.uk)). There is a copy of the autumn term menu on our website.



**The North Yorkshire catering team is running a Pumpkin carving competition. More information can be found here. There are some nice prizes and also some great recipes to make with the pumpkin you carve away.**

[https://www.nyeducationsservices.co.uk/pumpkin-carving-competition-now-live?utm\\_campaign=1944192\\_PUMPKIN%20CARVING%20COMPETITION&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=North%20Yorks%20County%20Council&dm\\_i=4BPJ,15O5C,4X1W6Q,5AZGJ,1](https://www.nyeducationsservices.co.uk/pumpkin-carving-competition-now-live?utm_campaign=1944192_PUMPKIN%20CARVING%20COMPETITION&utm_medium=email&utm_source=North%20Yorks%20County%20Council&dm_i=4BPJ,15O5C,4X1W6Q,5AZGJ,1)

### **Craft Fair**

On **Saturday 23rd October** there is a craft fair at **Kellington Village Hall 1-4pm**

A selection of local crafts , tombola, raffle and refreshments available. Monies raised are to support the furnishing of the parents room at Sheffield Children's Hospital. Please support this worthwhile cause if you can

### **Morrisons' Good to Grow scheme**

We have signed up to this scheme and therefore if you shop at Morrison's we would value your support. You can help, without really doing anything other than your normal shop. As we have such an amazing outside space here at Kellington we are really keen to ensure we utilise it to enhance the children's learning experience.

### **Attendance**

**Please continue to ensure that your child comes to school everyday that they possibly can.**

We are working extremely hard to enable all the children to not be disadvantaged by their lost learning due to the issues over the last 18 months and therefore they need to be here, in school, for us to be able to support them to be the best they can be .

Please can I remind everyone to inform us promptly if your child is absent from school, we do need a message via telephone or email as early as possible, by 9.30 am at the latest, however sooner is preferable. If we do not hear from you we have a duty of care to make contact to establish where your child is. We will keep ringing you until we get a reply. If we don't get a reply we could have to report your child as a missing child.

We know this is sometimes difficult but whenever possible please try and make any appointments outside of school hours, or at the beginning or end of the school day.

### **Attendance this week (Friday-Thursday)**

Lilies - 93.64% Tulips - 95.27% **Roses - 97.33%** Daffodils - 85.45% Overall - 94.38%

### Keeping children safe: Covid 19-

Please can I remind you that if your child or anyone in the family shows any of the following symptoms you should seek a PCR covid test ASAP

**A new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell.** Please then follow the guidance in relation to isolating given by Track and Trace. Do inform school if your child tests positive or if they are advised to isolate.

### Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please do contact the school for further information on how to check your eligibility and apply. Even if your child is in KS1 and is currently receiving a universal free school meal, if you are eligible for FSM it is really important that you apply, as there are still additional benefits for your child.

### Flu Vaccinations

You should have already received information on how to book your child's flu vaccination in school on the morning of **Thursday 9th December**. We would like to encourage children to take up this opportunity, if they have not accessed a flu vaccination via another source. For children the flu vaccination is not an injection, but a liquid squirted into the child's nostril which does not cause discomfort.

### Parents consultations

Thank you to all of you who attended parent consultations this week. I hope you found them useful and please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's class teacher if you have any further questions or queries.

### Dates for the Diary

**Friday 22nd October** School closes for half term

**Monday 1st November** School reopens

**3.30- 4.15pm** Nursery and KS1 Halloween disco **4.30-5.15pm** KS2 (Years 3-6)Halloween disco

**Tuesday 2nd November** - Lilies school trip to Murton Park

**Thursday 11th November** - Years 1 and 2 school trip to Bradford Industrial Museum.

**w/c 15th November** Anti-bullying week

**Friday 19th November** - Children in Need (more details to follow)

**Friday 26th November 3.30pm** - Christmas Fair

**Friday 3rd December - 9am** Lilies' class assembly

**Tuesday 7th December (9.30am) Wednesday 8th December (9.30am ) and Thursday 9th December (2pm)** Sunflowers, Daffodils and Roses Christmas performance.

*We have added a third date for the performance as we are going to ticket the performances. The tickets will be free of charge but numbers will be limited at each performance in order to keep everyone safe.*

**Monday 13th Christingle Service. (Afternoon)** -more details to follow. Father Mike has kindly agreed to return to support us with this service.

**Tuesday 14th December** Whole school trip to the pantomime in Doncaster.

**Thursday 16th December** - Christmas dinner

I hope you all have a good half term break and there is the opportunity to relax and recharge batteries, ready to do it all again next term, maybe even better.

Whether you have a quiet or busy week planned, hopefully it is filled with fun and laughter.

Take care and kind regards

Helen Humphrys

Headteacher.

Our assembly this week was the N of SHINE -New Opportunities

