

Kellington Primary School



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Friday 8th April 2022

Here we are at the end of the spring term. What a busy it one it has been and we are delighted with what the children have achieved. We have ended the week with our usual Star of the Week and Star of the half term celebrations along with contributions from Lilies' and Tulips' learning.

Children from Lilies class shared their suffragette speeches and we watched the news reel relating to Mount Vesuvius' eruption in Pompeii that Tulips class had created. The children have clearly been fully immersed in their learning, created some excellent pieces of work and have had fun.

Roses and Daffodils have been completing their learning linked to their science topic 'plants' that was enhanced by their trip to Ledston Estate last week and Sunflowers have enjoyed Easter activities.

I do believe everyone, children and staff, are now ready for the Easter break to relax and recharge their batteries ready for the summer term ahead.

Guitar lessons

Years 2-5 enjoyed an excellent music assembly on Tuesday which I am sure will have tempted many of the children to want to start guitar lessons. The company will be in touch early next term to facilitate the advertised free session, following which we hope that many will sign up for lessons. We will also be offering, via this company, 10 weeks of Ukulele lessons to one of our classes.

Reading

This week another four children received their book from our book vending machine(Ethan, Jenson, Oliver and Rupert). If your child reads to you or has read independently and this activity has been recorded signed by an adult in the child's



reading record x**10 times between the Monday 4th April and 25th April** , their names will be put into a hat on Monday 25th April and a selection of names will be drawn to receive a book from the vending machine. Happy reading over the holidays .

Goodbye

Today we said 'goodbye' to Miss Carr (teaching assistant) who has worked at Kellington Primary School for five years in both nursery and Reception. We thank her for her valued contribution to 'Team Kellington' and we wish her every success for exciting and successful times ahead.

Eggborough Spring Fair - Saturday 8th April

Spring Fayre – Eggborough Village Hall,

Saturday 9th April, 12 noon until 2pm.

Supporting; Kellington Primary School PTA, Egg tots Stay and Play and other local groups.

Refreshments including bacon butties

FREE Bouncy Castles

For further details contact John McCartney- 01977 662558

Please support this event if you can. Our PTA will be hosting a toy and book stall and a 'Name the Teddy' competition etc. to raise funds for school.

School Meals

Thank you to those of you who, following our correspondence, are now choosing their child's school meal. **Please can we ask everyone to pre order their child's school dinner on Parentpay?** As we have explained we have this system in place to support your child to choose a school dinner they are going to enjoy. The choice can be done up to 3 weeks in advance and up to 8am on the day of the meal. Our younger children especially find it difficult to make a choice from the pictures during school registration in the morning and whilst the adults in the classroom are available to help, unlike you, we do not know what your child does or does not like.

If you need any help with accessing the meal selector on ParentPay please speak to your child's class teacher or the school office.

By choosing your child's school meal it means we can confidently encourage them to eat what they have chosen as we know it is something they like and also, as the register can take quite a while if children haven't pre chosen their meal, we have more time for learning. Many thanks.

Covid 19

Fortunately the number of children with Covid has again remained low this week and we are keeping our fingers crossed it stays this way. It is really important that we continue to be vigilant in relation to our routines to keep everyone as safe as possible. Thank you for your cooperation with the new guidelines shared this week.

Please, If your child shows any signs of the covid virus (**A new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell**) it is important that they do not attend school, as with any other illnesses.

Uniform etc

Please do remember to label all parts of your child's school uniform including PE kit, coats and hats. It is our school policy that long hair should be tied up for school and definitely during PE. School shoes should be plain black shoes or boots, not trainers please, unless there are mitigating circumstances that have been discussed with school

Earrings need to be removed for PE (including swimming). Please speak to the school office if your child has just had their ears pierced so a suitable length of time can be agreed for when the need to remain in situ and the protocol explained. No jewellery should be worn for school, except a watch or small plain stud earrings please. Can we also ask that nail varnish is also removed for school.

Many thanks for your co- operation



STARS OF THE WEEK

Sunflowers - Amadis

Daffodils - Amelia

Roses - Sofia and Arthur

Tulips - Toby

Lilies - Thomas



STARS OF THE HALF TERM

Sunflowers - Nancy

Daffodils - Avril- Jayne

Roses - Annabel

Tulips - Grace F

Lilies - Charlotte

Miss Carr



Houses

The winning House this week is **Roall**

The winning House of the term **Roall**

Class Photographs - You should have received a link to the class photographs. Any problems please contact the school office.

Mobile Phones

Please can we ask that parents try and refrain from using their mobile phones when on the school premises. Some conversations that take place are not appropriate for children to hear and therefore unless it is an emergency, please could these calls be made or taken once you have left the school grounds. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Head Lice

Unfortunately we still appear to have a few cases of head lice in school. Please check your child's hair regularly and treat as directed. If you need any advice or support please contact the school. If you do find head lice, your child does not need to stay off school, however all family members do need to be checked and treated as directed. Head Lice are common in primary school children, but fortunately if we have an outbreak at KPS the positive response by our parents to checking their children's hair, clears it up quickly www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

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 96.84 % Tulips 91.29 % Roses 90.66% Daffodils 95.15 % Overall 93.%

We need children to be in school everyday they possibly can please. Please do not take your child out of school unless it is absolutely necessary. Everyday of learning that they miss is vital to their education journey, it is often hard for many children to catch up.

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,

Dates for the Diary

Monday 25th April - School reopens

Friday 29th April 9am or Thursday 12th May 5pm - How we teach Phonics and Reading and Kellington Primary School. All Year 1 and Reception parents are invited to one of the sessions. We look forward to seeing you there.

Friday 29th April - Year 6 SATs meeting - 3.15pm - All Year 6 parents invited. We look forward to seeing you there

Monday 2nd May - School closed - Bank holiday

Monday 9th- Thursday 12th May - Year 6 SATs week

Friday 20th May - Daffodils' Class Assembly -9am Parents welcome

Thursday 26th May - School closes for May half term holiday

Friday 27th May - Inset day -School closed to children

Monday 6th June - School reopens for the final half term of the academic year.

Friday 17th June 2pm - Sports day (Sunflowers 11am)

Wednesday 22nd June 2pm - Reserve Sports day (Sunflowers 11am)

Friday 1st July - Roses' Class Assembly - 9am Parents welcome

Week commencing 11th July Specific activities for Year 6 children - details to follow

Tuesday 19th July - 2pm and 6pm Lilies end of year production

Friday 22nd July

9am End of year assembly

3.15pm School closes for summer holidays

Tuesday 6th September - School reopens

I wish you all a fabulous Easter holiday and hope you have much fun, laughter and quality family time. Hopefully the sun will shine and if you are going away I hope you have a lovely break. Enjoy your Easter Eggs.

Take care and I look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 25th April 2022.

Helen Humphrys Headteacher.

