

5.9.2025

It has been a pleasure to welcome our children this academic year. They have spent time with their new teachers and as a new class team building relationships and getting used to the routine again. The children have had such a positive spring in their steps this week and have been looking very smart. Please could we take this opportunity to remind you that long hair needs to be tied back to avoid headlice.

We are looking forward to building on this strong start and showing the whole community that we are 'small and mighty'.

# - UPCOMING EVENTS



**YEAR 4 FOREST SCHOOL** 



KINGSWOOD QUESTION DROP IN



**YEAR 3 FOREST SCHOOL** 



**YEAR 1 FOREST SCHOOL** 



**YEAR 2 FOREST SCHOOL** 

TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

3:30PM

FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

MONDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER

# Kellington Primary School

# Introducing Yorkshire Learning

Trust

As we begin this new academic year, we are proud to introduce our new Trust family: Yorkshire Learning Trust (YLT). Following the merger of The STAR Multi-Academy Trust and South York MAT, our school is now part of a wider group of like-minded schools, working together to give every young person the very best possible start in life.

While each school remains deeply rooted in its local community — and will always feel like your child's school first — we know that there is real strength in unity. By working together as a Trust, we can share expertise, support each other more effectively, and open up wider opportunities for both pupils and staff.

YLT stands for aspiration, inclusion, integrity and collaboration. We believe in the power of belonging: when children and young people feel seen and supported, they can thrive. We also know that it takes a village to raise a child — and through this new partnership, our "village" has grown stronger than ever.

We look forward to an exciting year ahead and to continuing to work closely with you to help every young person flourish.

Ian Yapp

CEO, Yorkshire Learning Trust

# How did we SHINE this week?





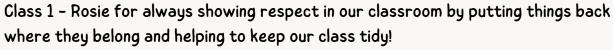


- Class 2 Noah for a fantastic first week back at school.
- Class 3 Siavash for a super start to year 3. You have worked so very hard.
- Class 4 Amber for showing resilience in maths and trying your best in all lessons.

### Golden Welly

Following our celebration assembly today, we are excited to be on the watch for our most respectful group of children with our OPAL equipment. I wonder if you will be chosen next week?

## Respect Award



Class 2 - Josie for showing respect in our classroom by looking after the resources and always tidying up.

Class 3 - Jaxon for showing great respect. This was noticed several times when you said 'Thank You' throughout the week.

Class 4 - Imogen for always following the Kellington Way. Your manners and respect that you show to everyone are impeccable.

# Our Learning For This Half Term

We are excited to share with you our class's learning for this half term. Please click the link below or go onto your class's Google Classroom to see our curriculum overviews.

Please take time to speak with your children about their learning.

Explaining it to others will not only share the enthusiasm but will help it to 'stick'.

Class 1 - Autumn 1 Curriculum Overview

Class 2 - Autumn 1 Curriculum Overview

Class 3 - Autumn 1 Curriculum Overview

Class 4 - Autumn 1 Curriculum Overview



#### This week's attendance:



15 minutes lost to lateness overall

Whole School Attendance

87.6%

Our target in school is to have 97% attendance.

Please ensure your child is in school and on time. Each day of school is crucial to establish relationships and understand routines so they feel safe and secure. Come on Kellington - we can do it!

## JLT Elections: Our Junior Leadership Team

Elections will take place in the week commencing Monday 15th
September and all children are welcome to stand as prospective JLT
members.

The children will be given the opportunity to share their manifesto with their class members and then each member of the class will vote in a secret ballot. The two children with the most votes in each class will be the JLT members for the year.

If you are helping your child prepare their manifesto please ensure it is no more than 3 minutes (it can be less). Our JLT are very active within school and with local and national initiatives. This allows the pupil voice to be a big part of our school.



#### Is your child due to start Nursery or Reception?

Why don't you come along and join us for a stay and play session?

We would love to invite you and your child to see our fantastic Early Years' classroom and get a glimpse of the learning and development that takes place in our wonderful environment!





Come and join us for a Stay and Play session!

When: Thursday 25th September 2025
Time: 2:15 - 3:15 pm
Where: Kellington Primary School's Early Years'
Classroom

Please phone 01977 661127 or email admin@kp.starmat.uk to confirm your attendance.



Our focus during this session will be 'Our Families'. The children will be encouraged to introduce their special people during play and engage in activities together. There will also be a Tapestry Workshop to support getting the most out of your child's online journal.

## Free School Meals

Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 are entitled but if you are in receipt of the following benefits, we may be able to secure extra funding for school. Universal Credit, income support, income-based job seekers allowance, support under Part VI of the Asylum Seekers Act 1999, the guaranteed element of Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit or Working Tax Credit.

## Free School Meals Link

Please speak with the office if you need any support.









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School/Academy Training Days
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# SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEPOURYOUNGPEOPLESAFE Primary | September 2025

#### Welcome back to school!

As we begin a new school year, it's normal for children (and parents and carers!) to feel a mix of excitement and nervousness. Establishing consistent daily routines can make a big difference to your child's emotional well-being and sense of security. Routines help children feel safe, supported and ready to learn – all of which are central to safeguarding their mental and emotional health.

#### Why routines matter

Routines create structure and predictability, helping children manage transitions, reduce anxiety and build independence. A well-supported child is more confident, calm and able to thrive – both at school and at home.

#### Talk, listen, reassure

Emotional check-ins help children feel heard and valued. Ask questions like:

- "What was something good that happened today?"
- "Did anything feel tricky?"
- Let them talk at their own pace. Behaviour changes (clinginess, tiredness, moodiness) are common in September — patience and connection go a long way.

#### Five Minute habits that matter

- A morning hug or chat
- A quick bag check and praise
- A bedtime moment to reflect on the day Small things, done regularly, build big emotional strength.

#### In this issue:

- Supporting well-being through routines
- Body safety matters

Key routines that support children's



# WELL-BEING

- 1 Sleep time
- Regular bedtimes and wake times
- Avoid screens an hour before bed
   Try a calming wind-down routine (story, bath, quiet time)



#### 2 Mealtimes

- Encourage family meals where possible
- Predictable meals help children feel nourished and safe



#### 3 Mornings

- Keep mornings calm, encouraging and predictable
- Include a healthy, filling breakfast
- Prepare bags, lunches, and clothes the night before



#### 4 After school

- Balance homework, play, and rest
- Allow for downtime or creative activities
  - Prepare for the following day



#### 5 Screen time

- Set clear limits, especially before bed
- Encourage screen-free moments to reconnect



@the\_enlightened\_parent

#### When to talk to school

If you notice:

Ongoing changes in mood or behaviour or withdrawal, aggression or trouble sleeping, please reach out.

Our safeguarding and pastoral teams are here to support both you and your child.

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28 August 11:00 - 12:00 Transition into year 7

25 September 16:00 - 17:00 Friendship

23 October 16:00 - 17:00 Resilience

20 November 16:00 - 17:00 Anxiety

# 11 December 16:00 – 17:00 Winter wellbeing and low mood

All webinars can be accessed through Microsoft teams and are free to join. We welcome young people, parents and carers, teachers and other professionals to join.

Joining information will be posted on our social media channels closer to the time.



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If you have any questions please contact tewv.wimtwsa@nhs.net