



Cheshire Academies Trust
Inspiring hearts and minds

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'A Love for Learning'

Friday Flyer – 1st March 24

Dear Parent,

Thank you for all of your support during our recent Ofsted Inspection. From kind words of support, completing the online surveys and sending in biscuits and chocolate, it all really helped the staff in those very busy two days. I have had receipt of the draft report and this will be published in full within the next few weeks. A copy will be sent as soon as I have it.

This will be my last term at Kelsall and although I am looking forward to joining The Oaks Community Primary School I will really miss everyone at Kelsall and the special community that we have jointly built over the many years I have been headteacher.

Mrs White will be acting headteacher for the summer term. I know that the school will continue to grow, develop and change ensuring that our ethos of **'A Love for Learning'** continues under Mrs White's leadership. More details on the appointment of my successor to start September 2024 will be shared in the near future.

It is vitally important that parents or family/friends dropping off and picking up children ensure that they are with them at **all times**. In the mornings the play areas, MUGA, Calm area and equipment **should not be used**. **This applies at the end of the school day too**. Staff will dismiss your child into your care at the end of the school day. Please ensure that they **stay with you** and do not wander into these areas. The school grounds are large and we do not want any child going missing or hiding. Thank you for your support with this important part of the school day.

Camp Curiosity & Storyhouse

Week beginning	Lottie – STORYHOUSE (Weds)				Gemma – CAMP CURIOSITY (Tues)	
	9:15 – 10:30	10:45-11:45	1:15 – 2:00	2:00 – 3:00	Morning	Afternoon
26 th February 24			Reception	Y5		
4 th March 24	Y6	Y5	Y3	Y1	5	Reception
11 th March 24	Y2	Y4	Reception	Y3	1	Reception
18 th March 24	Y5	Y2	Y3	Y1	3	Reception
25 th March 24	Y6	Y1	Reception	Nursery	2	Reception

Children's Easter Bingo

There will be a **PTA Children's Easter Bingo** on **Thursday 28th March at 4pm** at the **Crow's Nest Café** in Kelsall. All proceeds will be donated to school. To support the event we are holding a non-uniform day on **Friday 15th March** and ask that you send in the following as donations for the Bingo.

Nursery and Reception	Easter Eggs
Year 1 and Year 2	Easter themed gifts. (e.g. sticker/colouring books, small toys/games, craft items, sweets etc)
Year 3 and Year 4	Toiletries and Smellies
Year 5 and Year 6	Drinks – Non Alcoholic and Alcoholic

Mindful March 2024

MONDAY



4 Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

18 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels

25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted

TUESDAY



5 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today

26 Choose to spend less time looking at screens today

WEDNESDAY



6 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down

13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

20 Focus on what makes you and others happy today
dayofhappiness.net

27 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are

THURSDAY



7 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do

21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else

28 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible

FRIDAY

1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness

8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food

15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly

22 Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult

29 Choose a different route today and see what you notice

SATURDAY

2 Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world

9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others

16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

23 Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them

30 Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling

SUNDAY

3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive

10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face

17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant

24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do

31 Discover the joy in the simple things of life

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

Attendance Matters

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.

Please ensure you are **on time too** – school starts at **8.40am** – it is important that children are here on time so that they **start the day well and can engage with their crew.** Gates will shut promptly at **8.50am.**

Thank you all for being on time – it makes a huge difference to the start of the school day for the children and staff.

Attendance at school enables us all to build a strong crew and to strengthen our learning powers. Our overall attendance for whole school is currently **95.8%** which is **1.6% above** the national figure and **1.7%** above other North West schools – let's all work on keeping this figure above **National and North West.**

	Kelsall	North West
Oak Crew (Reception)	96.2%	93.1% (+3.2%)
Beech Crew (Year 1)	96.2%	93.9% (2.3%)
Ash Crew (Year 2)	96.9%	94.4% (+2.6%)
Maple Crew (Year 3)	93.9%	94.5% (-0.6%)
Elm Crew (Year 4)	96.6%	94.5 (+2.2%)
Willow Crew (Year 5)	95.3%	94.3% (+1.0%)
Cedar Crew (Year 6)	95.2%	94.2% (+1.0%)

EVERYday
counts
attendance matters



Cheshire Phoenix Basketball

This **Sunday 3rd March** your local pro basketball team **Cheshire Phoenix** take on The Sheffield Sharks; looking for their 12th win on the run.

Our season ticket is available – check with the office to see if it has been bagged for this game; 2 adults and 3 children can attend for free.

Tickets can be bought in advance or on the door; [Fanbase | Select Ticket \(fanbaseclub.com\)](https://fanbaseclub.com)

Home Games;
Sunday 3rd March v *Sheffield Sharks*
Saturday 9th March v *Plymouth Patriots*
Saturday 23rd March v *Bristol Flyers*



WE ARE KELSALL CREW

No passengers • No one left behind

QUIZ NIGHT

+ RAFFLE!

@ THE CROWS NEST

PROCEEDS TO BE DONATED TO
KELSALL PRIMARY AND
NURSERY SCHOOL!

FRIDAY 8TH MARCH
8.30PM START
£2 PER HEAD

CALL 07949 678399 TO BOOK A TABLE
THE FARMERS ARMS, CHESTER ROAD, KELSALL

FUNDED PLACES*

AVAILABLE AT
KELSALL NURSERY SCHOOL

Kelsall Primary and Nursery School currently have places in their outstanding 2-3-year-old classroom and their 3-4-year-old classroom, term time only.

Wraparound care is available for children aged 3 years and above between 7.30am and 6pm.

From April 2024 eligible working parents in England with children aged 2 will have access to 15 hours childcare. Thousands of families could be saving money on their childcare costs, but some simply don't know what support they might be eligible for. Visit the Childcare Choices website to see what support you might be eligible for or give us a call.

Please book early to secure your child's place!

* Funded places for eligible families

Contact the school office on
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Diary Dates

Thursday 29 th February 24	Y5 Fire safety Talk
Weds 6 th to Fri 8 th March 24	Y4 Residential – Tattenhall
Friday 15 th March 24	Easter Bingo Non-Uniform Day
Monday 25 th March 24	Tempest Crew Photos
Wednesday 27 th March 24	Y5 Hope Journey - Easter
Thursday 28 th March 24 (4pm)	PTA Easter Bingo @ The Crow's Nest, Kelsall
Tuesday 26 th & Wednesday 27 th March 24	Parent's Evenings
Thursday 28 th March 24	School Closes for EASTER
Friday 29 th March 24	School Closed – GOOD FRIDAY
Monday 15 th April 24	School Opens for SUMMER TERM 1
Monday 6 th May 24	School Closed – BANK HOLIDAY

Be Curious, Creative & Kind

Mr Wearing, Mrs White and the Kelsall Crew



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