



Kelsey Primary

Responsibility Determination Respect

Friday 5th September, 2025

To all our Kelsey families,

We've enjoyed welcoming our children back to school this week and it seems as though everyone is settling well into their new classes. Over the summer holiday, 'The Hive' was built (positioned on the field) and will soon be ready for use. We also had the EYFS and Y1 & 2 classrooms painted over the summer, as well as replacing the lockers in the connecting corridor. Everything is looking very fresh!



We are grateful to Miss Thompson, Mrs Coombes, Mrs Critten & Mrs Parkinson for supporting our Holiday Club at the beginning of the summer break. We would also like to welcome Miss Lowthian and Mr Clinch to our Kelsey team. Mr Clinch is beginning his PE Coaching apprentice with us, working predominantly in KS2. Miss Lowthian is completing her teaching assistant apprenticeship with us, working predominantly in EYFS. They've made a great start this week and are looking forward to getting to know all of the children.

Updates for this week:

PE Days –

Cherry Blossom (EYFS) – Wednesdays
Elm Class (Y1 & 2) – Wednesdays
Oak Class (Y3 & 4) – Wednesdays
Elder Class (Y5 & Y6) – Mondays and Thursdays

Indoor Shoes -

Please can you ensure that children have a pair of indoor shoes to change into? Slippers, Crocs or plimsolls are ideal.

Reading Books in Elm Class -

Reading books for Y2 pupils have been sent home. For our Y1 pupils, reading books will be sent home next week. Please can we strongly encourage reading at home daily, with their reading noted in their Reading Records. Both their reading books and Reading Records need to be in school every day. Thank you.

School Attendance –

Here are a few reminds for the new academic year:

Children of school age must attend regularly and on time during term time.
Your child can only miss school if:

- they are too ill
- the school has authorised the absence

You must get permission from the headteacher if you are planning to take your child out of school during term time.

Your child may be allowed to miss school for:

- doctor, hospital or dental appointments
- a death in the family or funeral
- religious observation

Headteachers can only permit leave for a holiday in term time where there are **exceptional circumstances**.

If you do not get permission and you take your child out of school, you may get a fine.

Parents and carers may be issued with a Penalty Notice if their child is absent from school without permission. This includes:

- any absence marked in the register as unauthorised
- arrival at school after the register has been taken
- a holiday in term-time, which has not been agreed by the headteacher

The school refer this information to Lincolnshire County Council.

Penalty Notices are issued per parent, per child and are an alternative to prosecution.

The current penalty is:

- £80, if paid within 21 days
- £160, if paid between 21 and 28 days

There is no option for a reduction for a second fine, and a third fine cannot be issued within 3 years, we must consider prosecution instead.

If you do not pay a fine within 28 days, have received the maximum number of fines, or we feel that a fine would not be effective, we may prosecute you for non-attendance. After 28 days we may prosecute you.

Calendar events –

Week beginning 08.09.25

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch time	Mindful Colouring with Miss Grantham (KS2)		Makaton Club with Ellen	Chess Club with Oscar (KS2) Messy Massey Club (Craft Club!) (KS1)	Running Club with Mrs Trotter and Mrs Chamberlin (KS2)
After school (4:30pm finish)	Basketball with Mr Clinch (KS1)	Mini Football Club with Miss Hunt (EYFS & KS1) Football Club with Mr Clinch (KS2)	Badminton Club with JB Sports (KS2)	Film Club with Mrs Heeley (EYFS – KS2)	
					Celebration Assembly 9am

Future events –

Monday 22nd September – **SEND Coffee Morning**

Tuesday 23rd September – **Individual and sibling photographs**

Thursday 25th September – **Flu Immunisations**

Tuesday 14th October and Wednesday 15th October – **Parents Evenings**

Thursday 23rd October – **Last day of term**

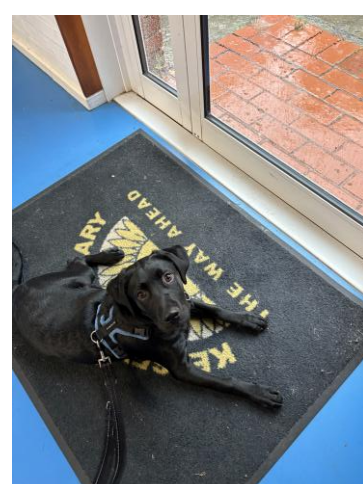
And finally -

I hope the summer break gave everyone the opportunity to have new adventures, enjoy family time and make some special memories. We were kept very busy with our now 14-month puppy – Chip. He has spent quite a bit of time in school over the summer, enjoying running around the KS2 playground and having a really good sniff around the classrooms. He is progressing well with his training (we're very proud of him!) and he will be spending some time in school in the autumn term. He loves stealing slippers, peanut butter and lots of tummy tickles. As you can see, he also loves being in school:



Have a lovely weekend!

Warmest regards,
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