



Kelsey Primary

Responsibility Determination Respect

Friday 2nd October, 2025

To all our Kelsey families,

We've had a very busy week at Kelsey, with National Poetry Day yesterday certainly being the highlight. Our pupils enjoyed a trip to the library at Brigg, where they were able to enjoy choosing some books they'd like to borrow using their library cards. There were a few children who were not signed up, but the wonderful staff at Brigg Library have put these books aside until Monday in case they are able to visit and collect their choices with a library membership. The library is open until 5pm weekdays and 12pm on Saturdays. Please note that library books will need returning to Brigg Library, children are able to keep their books for 3 weeks. Attached to this newsletter is information about two upcoming events they're hosting, both are Halloween themed. Enjoy!



Earlier in the week, Year 5 & 6 attended a virtual workshop in which they picked up some tips and advice about writing poems of their own. Their poems about remembrance were stunning:

Hester:

*As candles blow in the wind
Silence covers the room
Everyone bows their hand in thanks*

Hoping danger doesn't come soon

*Soldiers marched out to war
So many lost their lives
And we give all our thanks
To those who did survive*

Cece:

*Silence whispers in the sky,
Strong but also fearful,
And stands with you and I*

Next Friday (10th October) is World Mental Health Day. We are commemorating this by joining Young Minds 'Hello Yellow' campaign and inviting pupils to wear a little/a lot/some yellow to school on Friday 10th. Each class will enjoy an afternoon away from normal curriculum time to engage in the NHS 5 Ways to Wellbeing – Connect, Be active, Take Notice, Keep Learning and Give.

As well as Friday 10th being World Mental Health Day, it is also our Harvest Festival. We are excited, as always, to join Reverend Marian at the Church on Friday morning. All parents, carers, grandparents, friends and family are warmly welcome to join us. Children from reception age upwards will walk to the Church with their classes. If you have a child in Pre School and you would like them to attend the Church service, we do ask that you take them to Church and drop them back to school afterwards – please let Miss Thompson know if you'll be doing this.

We will be collecting donations for Caistor foodbank from Monday 6th October through to Friday 10th. Donations of canned goods are always useful, along with rice, pasta, biscuits, sanitary items, breakfast cereal, etc. All donations can be dropped into the school office or sent into school with the pupils. Thank you in advance for your support.

Updates for this week:

Picking up pupils from school –

We appreciate that throughout the day plans can change and sometimes arrangements for who is picking your children up change too. Please can we ask that you let Mrs Blackburn know if there is going to be a change so that she can let your child's class teacher know. There may be times when an adult unfamiliar to your child's class teacher may be picking your child up – this is why we have a password system in place, with agreed passwords set by yourselves as parents. If any of our staff are unsure about who is picking a child up or haven't met that person before, we do ask for your patience and understanding whilst we clarify who that person is. This is part of our safeguarding duty – which is always our number one priority in school. Thank you.

Pupil absence -

Please can we remind parents/carers to get in touch with the school office first thing in a morning if your child is unwell and won't be attending school. We require this information each day that your child is absent from school – thank you.

A gentle reminder of home learning expectations for KS1 -

- Children to read on a daily basis and reading records to be updated.
- Complete spelling practice three times per week and return books on a Friday.
- Numbots is also available for maths practise (children can access Times Tables Rock stars, but it is not an expectation for KS1 at this point in the year).

This will all help to consolidate their learning at school and enable them to be ready for the next steps on their learning journey – thank you for your support.

Dyslexia Outreach –

Please see the flyers attached for information about upcoming workshops for parents, carers and pupils.

Times Tables Rock Stars (KS2) & Numbots (EYFS and KS1) –

This week, Elm Class won our Times Tables Rock Star trophy – well done Elm Class! We gave our lots of Numbots certificates to our Year 1 pupils in this morning's assembly – keep up the super work everyone!

Attendance –

This week, our class attendance with the highest attendance was **Chery Blossom** Congratulations!

JB Sports half term provision -

A green poster for JB Sports Half Term Holiday Camps. The title 'OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS' is at the top. Below it, a list of camps with dates: Horncastle Primary School (27th - 30th October), St Hugh's (Swimming available) (27th - 31st October), Skegness Academy (30th - 31st October & 4th November), Laceyfield Louth (23rd & 27th October), Market Rasen Primary School (Swimming Available) (28th & 29th October), St Margaret's C of E Primary School, Withern (27th - 29th October), and Mablethorpe Academy (3rd, 5th, 6th & 7th November). At the bottom, there is a 'BOOK NOW' button with a right arrow, the website 'www.jbsporteducation.ipalbookings.com/app', and the JB logo with 'SPORT • EDUCATION HOLIDAYS' and 'jb-sport-education.co.uk'.

PTA updates –

Our Spooky Halloween Disco is coming up on Thursday 23rd October – tickets are available online at www.nkpta.com.



We've got a very small amount of 100 Club tickets remaining, it would be great if we could sell the last few tickets ahead of this afternoon's draw. Good luck everyone!

Calendar events –

Week beginning 06.10.25

	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)	
	SEND Coffee morning with Mrs Mann	Year 3 & 4 girls football tournament – in the morning Year 5 & 6 girls football tournament – in the afternoon			Harvest Festival – 9am at North Kelsey Church Hello Yellow: World Mental Health Day – children are invited to wear non uniform with a splash/a lot of yellow ☺

Future events –

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

Thursday 23rd October – **Last day of term** (*Thursday 24th October is a training day*)

Monday 3rd November – **Return to school for the second half of the autumn term**

Tuesday 4th November – **KS2 Cross Country event at De Aston**

Monday 10th November – **Oak Class visit to Lincoln Zoo**

Thursday 13th November – **Michael Rosen Poetry Day, Tag Rugby event for Year 5 & 6 in the afternoon**

Friday 14th November – **Swimming begins for Year 1 & 2 in the afternoon at Brigg Leisure Centre**

Tuesday 18th November – **Boccia & New Age Kurling event for Year 3 & 4 at De Aston**

Thursday 20th November – **Flu immunisations ‘mop ups’**

Monday 24th November – **the beginning of UK Parliament Week**

Tuesday 25th November – **Year 5 & 6 boys football tournament**

Monday 1st December – **SEND Coffee morning with Mrs Mann**

Monday 8th December – **EYFS and KS1 Nativity performances**

Thursday 11th December – **Whole school visit to see Beauty & the Beast at Grimsby Auditorium**

Tuesday 16th December – **Reception class visit to Rand Farm**

Thursday 18th December – **Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Service at Church with Reverend Marian and Christmas Dinner day**

Friday 19th December – **the last day of the autumn term**

Looking ahead:

KS2 SATs week: Monday 11th May – Thursday 14th May 2026

Have a lovely weekend!

Warmest regards,
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