



Kelsey Primary

Responsibility Determination Respect

Friday 13th March, 2026

To all our Kelsey families,

This week has been British Science Week. Each class have been carrying out some experimental work into various aspects of science. Elm Class have loved learning all about the different seasons, they made bird nests and experimented to find out whether or not they were weatherproof.



The children also thoroughly enjoyed participating in the NFU's The Big Farming QUESTION, learning all about farming life and different animals. We will be sending home a sensory challenge and bird watching challenge that the children can do at home. This will be in their home learning books.



Updates this week:

Easter Service -

Our annual Easter Service will be held on Thursday 2nd April at 9am. This service will be the last one that Reverend Marian conducts for us prior to her retirement, so it would be great to see as many of you there as possible.

Comic Relief -

Next Friday (20th March) is Comic Relief. Children are invited to wear non-uniform and you can donate using the following link: https://donation.comicrelief.com/?cartId=rnd26-pmax&utm_source=google&utm_medium=pmax&utm_campaign=rnd26_uk_cr0003869&utm_term=foodinsecurity&gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=23624852393&gbraid=0AAAABB-zYbWkaTUVTWDDfshqsL2Ub5sWh&gclid=EAlaIQobChMIp-fU6KiakwMVOo9QBh3ExiM7EAAAYASAAEgKRZfD_BwE Thank you!

Attendance –

This week, our class attendance with the highest attendance was **Elm Class** - congratulations!

Attending medical appointments –

We appreciate that medical appointments, such as dentist appointments, can be difficult to schedule outside of school time. Where an appointment requires your child to be dropped off later/picked up during the school day/picked up earlier, we will ask for a screenshot/confirmation of your appointment in line with our attendance policy. Thank you for your anticipated support.

Spotlight on SEND – Autism -

Why autistic boys and girls may present differently:

Autism can show up differently in girls than in boys, which sometimes means girls are identified later or their needs are missed. Every child is unique, but there are some common patterns that help explain these differences.

Masking:

Many autistic girls work very hard to “fit in” by copying what others do. They may watch their peers closely and imitate their behaviour, which can hide their difficulties from adults.

Social differences:

Girls are often very motivated to have friends, but they may find it harder to keep friendships going. Their challenges can be subtle, so they’re not always noticed.

Interests:

Girls may have very intense interests, but these often look “typical” for their age (animals, books, crafts), so adults may not realise how strong or absorbing these interests are.

Internalising:

While boys may show their difficulties outwardly, girls often internalise them. This can look like anxiety, perfectionism, or quiet distress rather than disruptive behaviour.

Diagnostic history:

Most autism research and diagnostic tools were originally based on boys, so girls’ profiles don’t always match the traditional picture of autism.

In summary:

Autistic girls often work hard to blend in, may hide their struggles, and can present in quieter, less obvious ways. This doesn’t mean their needs are any less significant—it just means they can be harder to spot without looking beneath the surface.

More information can be found here: [Autistic women and girls](#)

PTA updates –

Take a look at: <https://www.nkpta.com/> for the next upcoming events. Easter Bingo is coming up on Thursday 26th March.

Calendar events –

Week beginning 16.03.26

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch time	Mindful Colouring with Miss Grantham (KS2)		Makaton with Ellen (KS2) Jewelry Club with Mrs Coombes (KS1 & 2)	Pokemon Club with Teddy & Jack (KS1 & 2) Chess Club with Marshall (KS2) Craft Club with Mrs Massey (EYFS & KS1)	Running Club with Mrs Trotter & Mrs Chamberlin (KS2)

After school (4:30pm finish)	Basketball with Miss Lowthian (KS1 & 2) Glee Club with Mrs Massey & Ms Gray (KS1 & 2)	Mini Football with Miss Hunt (EYFS & KS1)	Football with JB Sports	Film Club with Mrs Heeley (EYFS – Y6) Gymnastics with Miss Lowthian (KS1 & 2)	
					Star Pupil Assembly at 9am Oak Class swimming in the afternoon Comic Relief

Calendar dates:

Year 3 & 4 girls (am) and Year 5 & 6 girls (pm) Futsal Tournament at De Aston: Thursday 26th March

PTA Easter Bingo: Thursday 26th March

SEND Coffee Morning at 9am: Monday 30th March

Easter Service at 9am: Thursday 2nd April

Last day of the Spring term: Thursday 2nd April

Looking ahead:

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

PTA Summer Fair: Friday 26th June

And finally -

Next week is British Science Week. We'll be taking part in The Big Farming QUESTION, hosted by the NFU, on Thursday afternoon – as well as carrying out some practical investigations too. We look forward to sharing what the children got up to in next week's newsletter.

Warmest regards,
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