



Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### Headteacher Newsletter

Good afternoon

The children have had a busy week and have settled back into school very well after the break. There is a lot of information in the newsletter this week, however reminders, messages and short messages will be sent out too via Parent App. If you are not sure how to access Parent App, please contact the school office.

This year will also be an exciting year for Knowsley. Knowsley is Liverpool City Region's Borough of Culture as mentioned in the letter from Councillor Harvey sent out earlier this week. The website [www.cultureknowsley.co.uk](http://www.cultureknowsley.co.uk) will keep you updated, and I will share information about events taking place throughout the year in future newsletters too.

#### **Weekly Attendance: Reception to Year 6**

<b>Classes from Reception to Year 6</b>	<b>Overall Percentage</b>
KV Penguins	91.4%
KV Dolphins	99.2%
KV Pandas	98.3%
KV Leopards	93.3%
KV Jaguars	89.5%
KV Tigers	94.4%
KV Lions	95.4%
Overall School Percentage Attendance	94.7%

Well done to Years 1 and 2 😊

Attendance is important, but please do not send children into school if they are unwell. Please inform the school office of absences by email, parent app or a phone call. Thank you for continuing to follow the guidance linked to coronavirus.

#### **PE Kits Reminders**

Just a reminder that all children should now wear school uniform PE kit and school uniform sports clothes. These items are available from Top Form and Kids Kirkby. Please ensure that children do come into school on PE days in the PE Uniform, which is a red t shirt/ red hooded top/ school jumper and plain black bottoms. Please come and see myself or Mrs Greensmith if you have a problem in getting a the school uniform PE Kit.

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## Uniform

The children have returned to school looking very smart. Thank you. It's good to see the children wearing the correct uniform including shoes, not trainers, and hair accessories in school colours. It makes such a positive difference to their attitudes to school and learning. Again, if anyone has any problems getting the uniform or the children wearing it, please see Mrs Greensmith or myself.

## School Special £1.00 Menu

On Thursday 20th January the school menu is Celebrating the World of Quentin Blake, who has illustrated many of the books by Roald Dahl. See below for the special menu.

*James and the Giant Peach*: Beef 'mud' Burger' with bbq sauce and chips

*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*: Chocolate mousse (find a Golden ticket and win a prize)

*George Marvellous Medicine*: Strawberry Milkshake

## Aspiration Day

Our Value this term is Success. We have been talking to the children about all the ways we can be successful including being helpful, a good friend, a team player, learning new things, and working hard at school and not giving up. To support the value of success, we are having an Aspirations Day on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January. The children can come in school uniform, or an outfit linked to something they would like to be when they grow up. The teachers will post lots of photographs on Seesaw of the day.

## Seesaw

Today your child's class teacher has re-sent an individual code for you to access your child's Seesaw account on the Seesaw App. Please login to the app to look at your child's work, photos of activities which the children have been doing in school and send a message to your child's class teacher. Each Friday, a weekly newsletter is posted to the class page and homework is also uploaded. If you have any difficulty accessing Seesaw, please speak to your child's class teacher and they will be happy to help you.

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### Homework Survey

Thank you to everyone who completed the Homework Survey before Christmas.

Questions:	Yes	No	Don't Know
Do you think your child should be given homework?	87.4%	11.5%	1.1%
Do you think the amount of homework given to your child each week is right?	73.6%	12.6%	13.8%
My child usually enjoys their homework.	54%	29.9%	16.1%
I know how to support my child with their homework.	93.1%	6.9%	0%
Homework can cause tension at home.	51.7%	35.6%	12.7%
Homework is set at the right level for my child.	78.2%	11.5%	10.3%
My child enjoys completing projects for homework.	78.2%	12.6%	9.2%
Homework helps to improve my child's learning.	83.9%	12.6%	3.5%
My child enjoys homework projects which last over a few weeks.	70.1%	23%	6.9%
I am able to easily access my child's homework on the Seesaw App.	83.9%	12.6%	3.5%

We have acted on your views and all classes this half term, have been set a project for homework. This project links closely to work they will be doing in class, and it will be an opportunity for them to share their learning with you and also extend their knowledge. We are looking forward to seeing all of their fantastic creations in the last week of this half term.

### Welcome to Knowsley Village School

I would finally like to welcome Mrs McCormick, the Year 2 teacher and Miss Wynne, our new Learning Mentor. I know you will join me in giving them a warm Knowsley Village School welcome.

Thank you for your continued support

Kind Regards

Mrs Barlow