



Dear Parent/Carer,

We are all very proud of how well the children have settled into school and nursery during the past four weeks. Everyone has embraced the new procedures we have had to implement in order to keep us all safe. It brings us great joy to see the children re-establishing friendships as they play together in their playground/playroom bubbles. We are especially proud of how well our youngest learners in both the nursery and school have settled into their new learning environment. Children across the school have been making us all proud as they demonstrate our school values of **Kindness, Perseverance and Success** on a daily basis.

We continue to be impressed by how engaged and enthusiastic children are to learn and you will know that we, as a staff, are determined and committed to providing your children with a rich learning experience.



Kindness



Perseverance

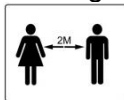


Success

Thank you for supporting our start of the day and end of the day procedures. I am delighted to see how independent and responsible your children are when entering and exiting school.



I appeal to you to be mindful of the 2m distancing guidance at all times as it is so important to keep ourselves healthy and safe.



I would like to thank all our staff for going above and beyond, yet again, by giving up their own time to ensure your children feel safe and secure whilst entering and exiting the school and the Early Years Centre.

If your child is going to be late arriving at school/nursery please telephone the office to let them know and someone will come out of the building to collect them.



All late arrivals should come to the front entrance to either building. If you need to collect your child early to take them to an appointment, please let us know as soon as possible so we can make arrangements to have your child ready when you arrive to collect them.

Please telephone the office and someone will bring your child out of the building to meet you.



Please remember that school children should not bring any personal items to school e.g. toys, books, games or stationery. This will reduce the risk of cross contamination. Children should bring a bottle of water and their packed lunch bag if they are not having a school lunch.

If your child requires a school bag to carry these belongings to school please provide this. However, a school bag is not necessary as home learning activities will be on line and books will not be sent home. Nursery and Primary 1 children should bring a school bag daily with a change of clothing.



Teachers will have notified you of your child's PE day. Please ensure that children come dressed for PE on this day. Please consider that the weather may be cold and wet, therefore provide them with suitable outdoor PE clothes. Please remember that football colours are not permitted in any WL school.



As we move into Autumn and the weather changes children may need to wear Wellington boots to school. In this case please provide your child with a change of shoes (gym shoes) as it is not comfortable for children to wear Wellington boots throughout the day. If it is difficult to provide your child with gym shoes, please telephone the school office and we will arrange to provide your child with a change of shoes.

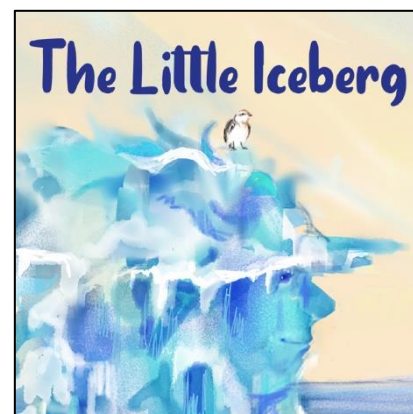
Unfortunately, we will not be able to invite you into school for our annual **Come Visit My Class** event this session. However, I am delighted to tell you that your child's teacher has made a short video showing you around the classroom and sharing relevant news and information with you. These videos will be posted on our school blog and website on **Wednesday** for you all to enjoy.



During the month of August we have been focusing on Health and Wellbeing throughout our learning community to support the children's return to nursery/school. We have used **The Little Iceberg** book written by Nicky Murray and illustrated Sylvia Lynch to explore themes such as Friendship, Hope and Trust.

On Thursday, your child will be provided with a **QR code** which will enable you to scan it which will take you to our YouTube channels where you will be able to share in this lovely story with your child and talk about the story and the messages in the book. You may even recognise some of our star storytellers' voices!

Each class has been learning about different aspects relating to the story and will be sharing their learning with you on **Friday**. This will be shared on class blogs and our website. Please take time to look at this work and be proud as it has been acknowledged as a creative piece of work by the author and those associated with the book. We would really welcome your feedback on this project as we are using this work to further build our reading culture.



- Health and Wellbeing
- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Social Subjects
- Expressive Arts

To further promote our communication please watch out for the launch of our school App in the coming weeks. This will provide you with a '**one stop shop**' for all of our school/nursery information, activities and correspondence.



Please remember if we can help you with anything you can contact us by email at – wlknightbridge-ps@westlothian.org.uk

Alternatively you can telephone us on – **01506 434012**

Follow us on Twitter at - @KnightsridgePr1

Follow us on our school blog at - <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/KPSBlog/>



As we continue to adapt and respond to our ever changing situation it is so important that we all work together to ensure all children feel nurtured, safe and ready to learn.

Please contact the school/nursery office if there is anything we can to help your child or yourself. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Allison Kennedy

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Head Teacher

DIARY of EVENTS	
September	September 2020
2 nd September	Come Visit My Class – Class videos posted on blog and website
3 rd September	The Little Iceberg story shared - QR codes linking to YouTube channel
4 th September	The Little Iceberg – class learning shared on blog, Learner’s Journal, website
21 st September	Mid Term Holiday – Nursery open
22 nd September	Mid Term Holiday – Nursery open
23 rd September	All back to School
25 th September	European Day of Languages
28 th September	Math Week Scotland KPS Money Week
October	October 2020
5 th October	KPS Money Week
5 th October	Parent Consultation Week
12 th October	All break for October holidays – 12:30pm
19 th October	Staff In Service Day – Nursery Open
20 th October	Pupils Return to School