



# Newsletter February 2018

## **Transport Meeting**



There will be a meeting held in school, on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm with Fiona Thurm and Dave Jopling from South Tyneside Council, who currently deal with transport arrangements for the children. This is the perfect opportunity for you to raise any concerns or issues regarding transport.

## **School Nurse Provision**

We have had a number of meetings with Health commissioning recently. Commissioners, made us aware of the intention to withdraw full time school nurse cover as of April this year. We will have the support of the Community Children's Nurses who will come into school to administer medication over the lunchtime period in particular. As a school we feel this is a very significant change to services. School nursing will operate as public health advisers but will not be based in school. If you have any comments you would like to make directly to commission or to school we would welcome your views. We will be meeting commissioners again on Friday to discuss in more detail. I will keep you up to date with any additional developments.

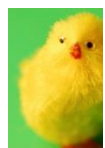
Below I have included information from commissioners

“The health needs of children within special schools have historically been supported by the public health school nursing team. However the clinical nature of some of the health interventions required is more appropriate for these children to receive care from the Children's Community Nursing Team. Therefore to ensure the health needs of children within Keelman's are met the Public Health School Nurses have worked in partnership with the Community nurses to ensure the care is transferred safely. Therefore your child will see a community nurse in school. The Public Health School Nurse will continue to work with the school to look at health and wellbeing for the whole school.”

Queries or comments can be sent to: [CommissioningTeam@southtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:CommissioningTeam@southtyneside.gov.uk) or 0191 424 7140. Or directly to school [pselby@keelmanswayschool.co.uk](mailto:pselby@keelmanswayschool.co.uk) or [vscott2@keelmanswayschool.co.uk](mailto:vscott2@keelmanswayschool.co.uk)

## **Easter Fair**

Our Easter Fair will take place on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March from 9.45am, with the usual arts and crafts on sale made by our fabulous pupils. Please come along and join in! During the Easter Fair we will be holding E-Safety sessions in the Music Room for any parents or carers who would like to attend, we will details of these sessions nearer the time. Also, please see below details of other E-Safety sessions.



## **Parent Survey**

Please find attached a copy of our Parent Survey, which we would appreciate you completing and returning to school. It can be printed and sent in or you can email it to [vscott2@keelmanswayschool.co.uk](mailto:vscott2@keelmanswayschool.co.uk)

## **Dates for Your Diary**

Half Term Break – Break up Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February returning Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February  
Parent Makaton Session – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March from 1pm  
Easter Break – Break up Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March returning Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April