



## Kelford School

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Dear Families,

Thank you to everyone who returned the parent / carer questionnaires recently. The results will be posted on the schools website. I am delighted that so many of you are happy with the provision, care and education provided for your child at Kelford School. We are always eager to improve and a few of you provided additional comments which we are already addressing individually. We received more than one comment about the information provided in the Home School Diaries. This will be the next thing we try to improve as a result of your feedback. I am hoping to set a date for a parent focus group next half term and know several parents / carers expressed their interest in supporting this and you will be contacted early next half term. Of course, any other parents or carers are very welcome to attend, I will make sure the date is highlighted in future newsletters.

### Term date Easter 2019.

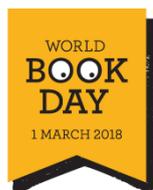
I would like to draw your attention to the term dates for NEXT school year (2018-2019). We are aware that the Easter break is different to some of the mainstream schools in Rotherham. The reason for this is because the Rotherham term dates would mean that we had a 3 week 3 day half term and then an 7 week half term. By moving the Easter break back we can have a 4 week 3 day half term and a 6 week half term. We strongly feel that this will better support the childrens' learning in school and we also know that our children find the long half terms difficult. I do understand that this may pose some difficulties for planning holidays and as always we will do our very best to support you if this causes any significant issues. (Rotherham mainstream will break up 12/04/19 and we will break up 05/04/19). See [www.kelfordschool.com](http://www.kelfordschool.com) for the full list of dates.

### Polling Day.

**We were informed this week that the council intends to use the school building as a Polling Station on the 3<sup>rd</sup> MAY 2018.** The school will need to close to children due to the school being unable to secure the site and the building being open to the public.

### History Day

On Tuesday Stuart Johnson (Holly Class) has organised a whole school History Day. The day will be themed around the history of space travel. We will explore music from the 1960's and create space dances, explore the materials found in planets, make rockets, recreate the moon landing, programme a Mars Rover Bee-bot and at lunchtime we will be eating food from the International Space Station menu! I am sure everyone will enjoy the experiences on offer and will have a great day.



### World Book Day

On the 1<sup>st</sup> March we will be celebrating World Book Day. We will be having a fun day, dedicated to reading our favourite stories and doing activities around books and story. All of the children (and staff!) will be invited to dress up in their favourite costume or character on the day.

Thank you

Jacky Tattershall  
Headteacher

### Dates for your diary:

6<sup>th</sup> Feb – whole school History Day.

8<sup>th</sup> Feb – Epilepsy clinics (David Beard, specialist nurse).

**9<sup>th</sup> Feb – School finishes for Half Term @3.15.**

28<sup>th</sup> Feb – Chinese New Year celebration

23<sup>rd</sup> March – Last School Day

Please note:

The key stage 2 residential will begin WB 14<sup>th</sup> May.