

Keyworth Primary School Newsletter



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Friday 3rd February 2023

Keyworth Term Dates 2022-2023

September 2022						
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School Holidays

Inset Days

Bank Holidays

Tutorial Day

Other Closures

Important dates for your diary

Event		Class assemblies	
26.01.23 at 9:05am	Reception reading workshop - part 1	25.01.23	1AJ
01.02.23	School closed to children - strike action	02.02.23	6MO
02.02.23 at 9:05am	Reception reading workshop - part 2	08.02.23	3AB
06.02.23-10.02.23	Nursery reading celebration week	01.03.23	4EB
06.02.23	Tutorial day - school closed to children	08.03.23	RCM
07.02.23 at 9:05am	Year 1 reading workshop and celebration	15.03.23	1HE
09.02.23 at 9:05am	Reception reading workshop - part 3		
15.03.23 at 9:10am	Year 4 multiplication tables check workshop		
20.03.23 at 9:10am	Year 6 SATs workshop		
22.03.23 at 9:10am	Year 2 SATs workshop		

Celebrations

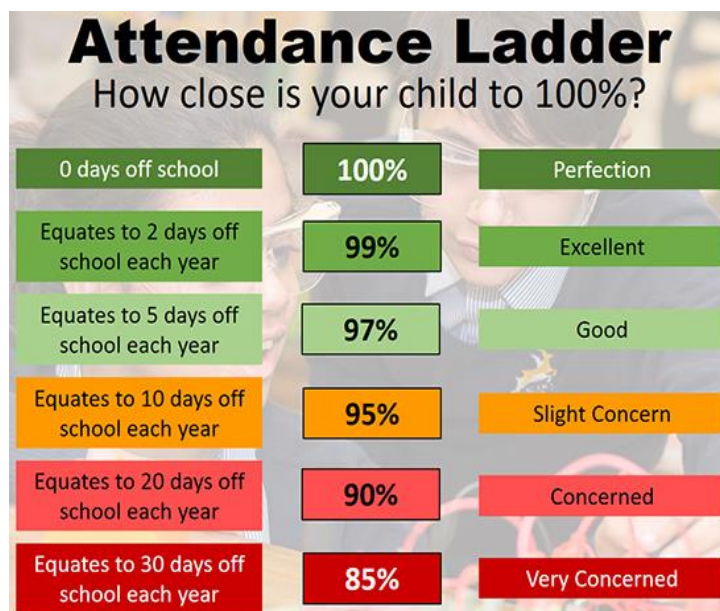
Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week	Presenter of the Week
RCM	Erovre	Benyamin	Abdella	Sara	
1AJ	Freya	Matilda	Kayleigh	Eden	Maida
1HE	Sofia	Alice	Zanetor	Tayjay	Reuben
2PH	Alayna	Idris	Ronit	Alan	Princess
2CS	Ashley	Amanah	Nadira	Kallum	Anniya

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week
3MK	Eli	Ayaan	Eli	Tilly
3AB	Sophia	Nora	Zaynab	Amy Jane
4MV	Hawa	Tyler	Lucas	Awo
4EB	Lillie	Genesis	Manuella	Nathan
5BH	Nickari	Abdul	Sara	Tamarni
5JA	Jhesica	Nicholas	Millie	Imaan
6MO	6MO	Joel	Leyla	Ainhara
6JG	Daniel	Leah	Muhammad	Cecilia

This week's gem winners are....	Sapphires
This week's treasure chest winners are...	1AJ 5BH

Attendance

Class	Attendance
RCM	97.3
1AJ	90
1HE	92.79
2PH	89.71
2CS	93.75
3MK	94.12
3AB	86.93
4MV	89.89
4EB	86.93
5BH	92.08
5JA	90.63
6MO	97.02
6JG	95.83
Whole school	92.65
National average	93.7%
School target	96%



This week's attendance winners are

Classes with the best attendance this term so far...

1st	2nd	3rd
6JG 96.35	4MV 95.08	5BH 94.67

Latest News

Tutorial day - reminder

Tutorial day takes place on **Monday 6th February**, with the school being closed to children. Parents/carers will have the opportunity to meet with their child/ren's teacher/s as well as look at their child/ren's work. Please sign up using your Magicbooking account. You will be able to access the school via either Gaza or Doddington gates.

Year 1 reading workshop and celebration

Our year 1 reading workshop and celebration will take place on **Tuesday 7th February from 9:05am** in the year 1 classrooms. All parents/carers of year 1 children are welcome!

Reception reading workshop

Reception will be hosting the third of their three reading workshops on **Thursday 9th February from 9:05am**. The workshop will take place in the Reception classroom - all parents/carers of Reception children are welcome to attend.

Strike action

I would like to thank parents/carers for their support and understanding on Wednesday in relation to the strike action taken by teachers. The school appreciates that it would have been an inconvenience to you and your families, but there was no other option than to close Keyworth to guarantee the health, safety and safeguarding of your children and the remaining staff.

For your information, I would like to share the reasons why members of the National Education Union went on strike.

Why did teachers take strike action? (NEU)

- **Fair pay for teachers:** *“Real term pay for experienced teachers has declined by 13% since 2010, and that over the same period average pay in the whole economy has increased by 2% in real terms. This adds up to a decline in teacher pay of 15%. Senior teachers in England have in effect had their pay cut by £6,600 since 2010.”* (Institute for Fiscal Studies)
- **Budget struggles:** *“School spending per pupil in England fell by 9% in real terms between 2009-10 and 2019-20, the largest cut in over 40 years. The government has allocated an extra £7.1 billion for schools in England through to 2022-23. Whilst this will increase spending per pupil by over 8%, school spending per pupil in 2022-23 will still be 2% lower in real terms than in 2009-10.”* (Institute for Fiscal Studies)
- **Workload:** Due to the cuts to funding, teachers and school staff are having to do more as schools have had to reduce staffing levels and resourcing, and fill the gaps left by the cuts to other services.
- **Keeping good teachers:** *“Nearly a third of teachers leave the profession within five years of qualifying, meaning schools have to employ supply staff and/or do not have enough qualified teaching staff to educate children effectively”.* (Department for Education data)

The quality of teaching and learning at Keyworth is outstanding. The teachers work extremely hard, are really good at their jobs and care wholeheartedly about the children. On behalf of the teachers, I would like to thank you for your continued support of the school and your child/ren's education.

Children's Mental Health Week

Children's Mental Health Week 2023 will take place from **6th - 12th February 2023**. This year's theme is **Let's Connect**. Let's Connect is about making meaningful connections. People thrive in communities and this connection is vital for our wellbeing. When we have healthy connections - to family, friends and others - this can support our mental health and our sense of wellbeing. For Children's Mental Health Week 2023, we're encouraging people to connect with others in healthy, rewarding and meaningful ways. In school next week, the children will be learning about the importance of mental health and wellbeing, as well as the importance of being able to express who they are. The week will end with the children being able to come to school on **Friday 10th February** in outfits that express who they are.

DRESS TO EXPRESS

THIS CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Shine a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health this Children's Mental Health Week.

Help to ensure every child has easy access to mental health support whenever they need it.

When: Friday 10th February 2023

What: Come to school dressed in your favourite outfit/colours to express how you are feeling!

Place2Be's
CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

6-12
FEBRUARY
2023

#ChildrensMentalHealthWeek childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk

Coffee afternoon

After school on **Thursday 9th February**, we will be hosting a coffee afternoon where parents/carers will get to talk to people from different agencies including housing support, financial support, safety in the community and health services - everyone is welcome to pop in! Further information can be found on the poster below:



Parent's introduction to services and support in Southwark

Starts at 3:15pm to 4:15pm in the main school hall

Date: 09/2/2023

Held by: Abena Opong - Family Support Worker

Services that will be attending on the day:

- **Safer Neighbourhood Team;**
- **SIAS - support for Special Educational Needs;**
- **Sapphire Community;**
- **Southwark Works;**
- **Public Health, Children & Adults Services;**
- **Family Volunteering.**

There will be information leaflets from other services that cannot attend. Please spread the word and your attendance would be appreciated.

Storytelling - year 2

As part of storytelling week, children in year 2 read stories to Roxy the tortoise! Reception also met Roxy and watched an animated retelling of The Tortoise and the Hare. Thank you to Roxy for visiting us!



Climate activism in year 1

Year 1 have been learning about global warming and the effects on the polar regions. They made banners and demonstrated on the playground.



Year 6 samba

Children in year 6 continued their samba lessons this week. They are preparing to perform as part of a school's musical collective later this term at The Royal Festival Hall.



Year 5 hockey tournament

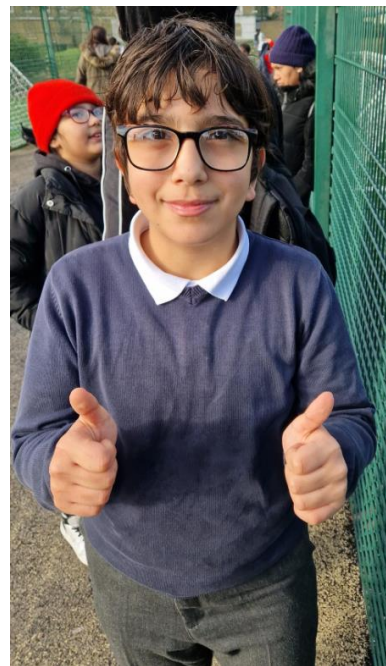
Year 5 had a fantastic time at the Southwark hockey tournament. Unfortunately, we did not get to the finals but every single player represented the school brilliantly. A special mention to our hat-trick hero, Suleyman.

Support for families - autism workshops for parents/carers

At the end of this newsletter you will find posters containing information about upcoming autism training which will be delivered by Evelina London for parents/carers.

Word of the Week

This week's *Word of the Week* is **discontent**. Please discuss its meaning with your child/ren and encourage them to share what they have learned with their teachers in school to receive gems. Do they know the origin? Can they use the word correctly in a sentence? Can they identify and explain the meaning of alternative forms e.g., **discontented/discontentment**? Can they identify any synonyms or antonyms?



Please find below previous words that we have used in school:

Previous words	certain, mourn, congregate, collaborate, community, progressive, convention, respectful, resilient, prevent, rigor, responsible, prejudice, festive, transform, despondent, devoted, prosper
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I would like to wish you a lovely weekend!

Ray Capper
Head of School

After Diagnosis - Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

An Online Workshop for Parents and Carers
after your child's assessment with ARD Service

Meet other families from Lambeth and Southwark and ask your questions to the Speech and Language Therapists

Children Under 5 Years	Date	Time
	Monday 27 th February 2023	10:00 – 11:30am
	Wednesday 1 st March 2023	1:00 – 2:30pm
	Tuesday 28 th March 2023	10:00 – 11:30am

Primary Age Children (approx. 5-11 years)	Date	Time
	Monday 27 th February 2023	1:00 – 2:30pm
	Monday 13 th February 2023	10:00 – 11:30am
	Tuesday 28 th March 2023	1:00 – 2:30pm

Secondary Age Young People (12 years +)	Date	Time
	Monday 13 th February 2023	1:00 – 2:30pm
	Wednesday 1 st March 2023	10:00 – 11:30am

How to book – email your details to gst-tr.contacts@nhs.net

- include your name, your child's name / date of birth
- date you wish to attend
- add 'After diagnosis - Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorder' workshop as the subject of your email



OR

- Scan the QR code



For any other queries related to the Autism and Related Disorders (ARD) Clinic please contact:
Lambeth (Mary Sheridan Centre): 020 3049 5964 Southwark (Sunshine House): 020 3989 0370

Welcome to the Autism and Related Disorders (ARD) Service

Your child has been referred to the ARD Service for an assessment

Book your place onto:



'What will happen at my child's autism assessment: An online workshop for Parents and Carers'

The workshop includes information about:



- What Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is
- What will happen on the day of the assessment
- Where to look for more information about ASD

The workshops are run by the Speech and Language Therapy (SLT) Team

Children Under 5 Years	Date	Time
	Wednesday 1 st February 2023	10:00 – 11:30am

Primary Age Children (approx. 5-11 years)	Date	Time
	Wednesday 1 st February 2023	1:00 – 2:30pm
	Tuesday 14 th March 2023	10:00 – 11:30am

Secondary Age Young People (12 years +)	Date	Time
	Tuesday 14 th March 2023	1:00 – 2:30pm



How to book: Please email gst-tr.contactslt@nhs.net

Write 'Subject' of email as **ARD Assessment Workshop**

To:	gst-tr.contactslt@nhs.net
Cc:	
Subject:	ARD Assessment Workshop

Include **your name**

To ARD team

My name is XXX

Your **child's name / date of birth**

My child's name is XX and date of birth (DOB) is XXX

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