# **Keyworth Primary School Newsletter**



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Friday 5th November 2021

#### Important dates for the diary

Autumn Term 2		Spring Term 1	
01.11.21	Children return	04.01.22	INSET day
09.12.21	Early Years Celebration Day	05.01.22	Children return
15.12.21	Reception and Year 6 height and weight check		
17.12.21	Last day of term		
20.12.21-03.01.22	Full-term		

#### **Celebrations**

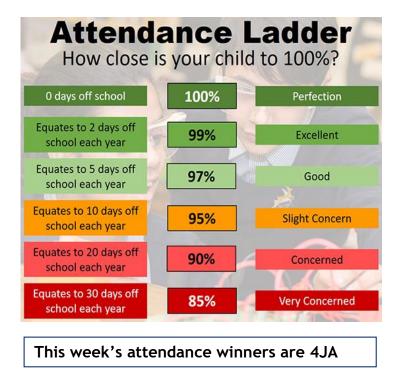
Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week
RCC	Alana	Teddy	Sonnie	Nasir
RSP	Avianna	Matilda	Noah	Nile

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week
1CM	Mikey	Matias	Nate	Malik
1AJ	Alan	Adam	lsa	Abib
2PH	Tilly	Hamja	Gibril	Izabella
3MK	Hawdyar	Jayme	Kaycee	Anas
3CS	Ridwaan	Ethan	Hawa	Sheray
4JA	Abdul	Keeva	Bazeet	Keishana
4MV	Ariella	Brianna	Millie	Atahan
5JG	Payshenz	Osman	Diaz	Kiahya-Rae
5BH	Khaziah	Aya	Ainhara	Jeremiah
6JA	Ximena	Hazel	Jayden	Jayden
6JB	Eliab	Harvey	Zoe	Issa

This week's gem winners are	Sapphires
This week's treasure chest winners are	1CM and 6JB

#### <u>Attendance</u>

Class	Attendance
RSP	98.17%
RCC	95.83%
1CM	95.65%
1AJ	91.44%
2PH	91.4%
3MK	87.96%
3CS	96.98%
4JA	98.99%
4MV	98.49%
5JG	91.83%
5BH	96.15%
6JA	93.75%
6JB	97.45%
Whole school	94.73%
School target	96%



#### **Latest News**

#### Parent/carer surveys

At Keyworth, we understand that there needs to be a positive partnership between home and school so that the children can thrive with their learning and wellbeing. The pandemic meant that the main communication between home and school during the last year and a half was done mostly electronically through email and text, or over the phone. This term we have reinstated things like Parents Evening in person, senior leaders on the school gates at drop-off, access to the school office in person, the ability to make appointments with school staff, as well as parents/carers being able to come into school at the end of the school day. These have all further improved the opportunities for ongoing communication but I would like some feedback from a parent/carer perspective. Therefore, I would really appreciate parents/carers completing the short survey below about Keyworth:

# https://forms.gle/BfYGp65NzEGvxFSP6

Additionally, the children's wellbeing is extremely important to us and we would like to make plans for how we can support them further so again I would really appreciate it if you could complete the following survey about your child/ren's wellbeing:

### https://forms.gle/PMgvxzri1d3RMFAdA

The deadline for completing the surveys is **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November**. Thank you in advance for your support.

#### International Men's Day



# Big boys don't cry.

# Boys will be boys.

Stop behaving like a girl.

Phrases and sayings that make you feel you cannot do something or cannot feel a certain way because of your gender can be very harmful. Sometimes words and phrases have hidden meanings.

Phrase/saying	Usually used when	Hidden messages
Man up!	A person is upset or has hurt	Being a man means pushing aside your
	themselves.	feelings and carrying on, even if you feel
		upset or hurt.
Big boys don't	A boy is upset or has hurt	Hide your emotions and be more 'grown up'.
cry.	themselves and is crying.	Boys shouldn't show weakness.
Stop acting	When a boy is showing their	Only girls and women should show their
like a girl.	feelings or emotions.	emotions - this is also insulting to girls.
Boys will be	When boys are being physical	It's OK to fight and be physical because it is
boys.	e.g., fighting or being rough.	just the way boys are. Being physical or
		even being violent and disruptive is ok, it's a
		natural thing for boys to do.

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November it is *International Men's Day*. This day provides everyone with the opportunity to think about the positive male role models that are in our lives and to reflect on how stereotypes of men and boys can be damaging. At Keyworth, we teach the children to challenge harmful stereotypes and expectations imposed on them as a result of their gender. I would ask families to take this opportunity to reflect on the language that you may use and/or hear in relation to the stereotypes of both boys and girls, the hidden messages contained in these phrases/sayings and the impact that this could have on children.

#### **Rearranged Parents Evenings**

As the teachers of classes 4JA, 4MV and 6JA were unable to hold their Parents Evenings at the same time as the rest of the school, we have set new dates of Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November for these classes. If you have a child in any of these classes, you can now book your appointment using your Magicbooking account.

#### Times Tables Rockstars competition 1 (KS2)

Keyworth will be competing against other schools to find the most dedicated rockstar class in England! Further details are as below:

- > Starts on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30am to Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm.
- ➤ You can only play between the hours of 7:30am and 7:30pm each day for a maximum of 1 hour.



Amazon vouchers and certificates are up for grabs so get rocking!

#### <u>Times Tables Rockstars competition 2 (KS2)</u>

Last half-term, class 5BH won 'the battle of the bands' competition. Which KS2 class will win it this half-term?

#### Darker evenings

With many children attending various clubs after school and with the days becoming shorter and shorter, I would encourage that all children are collected from school if it is dark. If this is not possible, please consider older children (years 5 and 6) going home together in pairs/groups. A reminder that we can only allow children in the Early Years and KS1 to be collected by an adult.

#### Remember, remember the 5<sup>th</sup> November...

On 5<sup>th</sup> November, people across the UK celebrate Bonfire Night with fireworks, bonfires, sparklers and toffee apples. The reason we do it is because it's the anniversary of a failed attempt to blow up the Houses of Parliament - this was called the Gunpowder Plot.

When we light bonfires to remember this event, traditionally there would be a dummy man on the top. It is called the 'Guy' and represents a man who was part of the plot, called Guy Fawkes.



Guy (Guido) Fawkes was part of the Gunpowder Plot in 1605. He wanted to blow up King James I and his government - this was because of religion. England was a Protestant country and the plotters were Catholic. They wanted England to be Catholic again and thought they could force change if they killed King James I and his ministers. So, Fawkes and his group put 36 barrels of gunpowder in cellars underneath the Houses of Parliament in London, ready to set off a massive explosion. However, one member of Fawkes' group sent a letter to his friend who worked in Parliament, warning him to stay away on 5<sup>th</sup> November. The King's supporters got hold of the letter and the plot was rumbled! Guards broke into the cellars where the gunpowder plotters were waiting. They were arrested and later executed.

The link below contains videos and activities to learn more about the Gunpowder Plot:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks1-the-gunpowder-plot-home/zsb7wnb

With Bonfire Night approaching, it is important that anyone planning on attending an event or using fireworks at home reminds themselves and others of how to remain as safe as possible. Below you will find a link to a website with information about being safe with fireworks:

https://www.staffordshirefire.gov.uk/your-safety/safety-at-home/bonfire-night-safety/

#### Diwali

I would like to wish all who celebrate a very happy Diwali. For anyone who would like to learn more about Diwali, you can do so by clicking on the link below:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/15451833

#### Home learning - Nursery

During half-term, our Nursery children worked hard to complete home learning activities. They then uploaded their work to *Google Classroom*. Below we have work by River, Michelle, Kai, Jaiden, Fatma, Emily (and her older sister Amy) and Anna.



#### **Keyworth Friends - clothing collection**

Thank you to everyone who donated unwanted clothing to the school. It is now ready to be sent

off to be re-used by others and, in doing so, providing extra funds for the school.

#### **Keyworth Friends Cultural Fair**

We are still looking for parents/carers to volunteer their support at our upcoming Cultural Fair. Without the support of the community, the school is unable to host such events so please contact Keyworth Friends on the email below and/or call the school office if you can help the school:

#### KeyworthFriends@gmail.com

<u>Support for parents/carers - Place2Be</u> Children's mental health charity Place2Be has launched a new website aimed at supporting parents/carers with typical situations that they can find themselves in with their child/ren. Parenting advice from their child mental health experts and practical tips to support children's wellbeing and manage behaviour are available on the website below.

https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/



#### <u>Support for parents/carers - the local community</u>

At the end of this newsletter are a few posters shared by our school-home support practitioner Abena advertising local events/activities.

#### Word of the Week

This week's Word of the Week is vigour. 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., vigorously? Can they identify any synonyms or antonyms?

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

Previous words	euphoric, disclosed, premature, alleviate, gullible, bamboozle, elite,
	corrupt

I would like to wish you a lovely weekend!

Ray Capper Head of School



# FIGHT4CHANGE FREE BOXING SESSIONS

JACK HOBBS COMMUNITY HUB MADDOCK WAY SE17 3NH.



# **Every Thursday:**

Junior sessions: 4.30pm - 5.15pm

Adults session: 5.30pm-6.30pm

GET FIT. GET STRONG. HAVE FUN!

To sign up, scan the QR code or register on the day.

All are welcome. Registration is free of charge.





# **GAME CHANGERS**

MAKE CHANGE HAPPEN



## **Courses & Discussion group**

Thursday November 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th 10am to 1pm Jack Hobs Community Hub, Maddock Way, SE17 3NH

Grab a tea or coffee and slice of cake with us and and join in the workshops, learn how to avoid conflict, and be more Trauma informed.

To find out more and book your place on the course please scan the QR code or Contact; - Cherrelle@fight4change.org.uk or call 07859882974















Jack Hobbs Community Hub, Maddock Way SE17 3NH

# COMMUNITY DROP IN AND COFFEE MORNING



#### **ENJOY A TEA OF COFFEE WITH FRIENDS**

Find out what's happening on your estate Sign up for free activities for young people Find out about courses available and sign up Meet new friends and connections.

For more information contact Cherrelle@fight4change.org.uk or jhc@southwark.gov.uk or call 07859882974











