

Keyworth Primary School Newsletter



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Friday 6th January 2023

Keyworth Term Dates 2022-2023

September 2022						
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August 2023						
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School Holidays

Inset Days

Bank Holidays

Tutorial Day

Other Closures

Important dates for your diary

Event		Class assemblies	
03.01.23	INSET day	25.01.23	1AJ
04.01.23	Children return to school	01.02.23	6MO
06.02.23	Tutorial day (parent/carer meetings) - school closed	08.02.23	3AB
10.02.23	Last day of half-term	01.03.23	4EB
13.02.23-17.02.23	Half-term holiday	08.03.23	RCM
20.02.23	Children return to school	15.03.23	1HE
31.03.23	Last day of term		
03.04.23-14.04.23	Full-term holiday		
17.04.23	Children return to school		

Latest News

Welcome back

On behalf of all the staff at Keyworth, I would like to welcome back all of our families and wish you all a very Happy New Year!

Dates for your diary

Our class assemblies will continue this term. Please refer to the “important dates” section of the newsletter for further information.

We have also added the following dates to our termly schedule:

Date	Event	Location
Thursday 19 th January at 9:05am	Reception celebration day	Reception
Thursday 26 th January at 9:05am	Reception reading workshop - part 1	Reception
Thursday 2 nd February at 9:05am	Reception reading workshop - part 2	Reception
Monday 6 th to Friday 10 th February (TBC)	Nursery reading celebration week	Nursery
Tuesday 7 th February at 9:05am	Year 1 reading workshop and celebration	Year 1
Thursday 9 th February at 9:05am	Reception reading workshop - part 3	Reception
Wednesday 15 th March at 9:10am	Year 4 multiplication tables check workshop	Community Room
Monday 20 th March at 9:10am	Year 6 SATs workshop	Community Room
Wednesday 22 nd March at 9:10am	Year 2 SATs workshop	Community Room

Attendance and referrals

As a reminder, parents/carers must contact the school every day that their child is absent from school. A reason must be provided and evidence may be requested.

The overall attendance of children to Keyworth during the first term of the academic year was extremely poor. While the school understands that there are lots of illnesses about, it is really important that all children attend school regularly. In the coming weeks, I will be reviewing attendance and making referrals to the local authority for families who are regular persistent absentees from school, with a view to prosecution.

Unauthorised term-time holidays

As I have said previously, it is against the law for families to go on unauthorised holidays during term-time. I have tried to be reasonable with this but still feel that we are not always being supported, therefore I will be reporting families who take unauthorised term-time holidays to the local authority, with a view to prosecution.

Disease management in schools

In the news, you will have seen that various illnesses are on the rise post-Covid - at Keyworth this is no different, particularly at this time of year. For clarification, I would like to make you aware of the following information:

- Keyworth follows the advice and guidance of Public Health Southwark;
- As children get lots of different illnesses, schools are not expected to communicate this with parents/carers unless there is an outbreak and where cases are closely linked. Ray/Jaime will always contact Public Health Southwark for advice before taking any further action.

With all illnesses, good hygiene is important. Please encourage your child/ren to wash their hands regularly and remind them of the “catch it, bin it, kill it” message in relation to using tissues. Resources can be found using the link below:

[E-Bug](#)

For advice and information about a range of health issues, you can refer to the NHS website:

[NHS advice](#)

Children's belongings

We have lots of clothing and bags that are piled up outside children's classrooms. Please encourage your child/ren to check if they have left anything in school. Also, please remember to label your child/ren's belongings with their name and class so that, if found, the items can be easily returned to them.

PE clubs

This term, we will continue to provide a selection of FREE PE clubs, which will start next week. Look out for letters and contact the school office should you require further information.

Coffee morning

Next week, we will be hosting another School-Home-Support coffee morning. Everyone is welcome!



COFFEE MORNING

Parents/Carers introduction to services and support in Southwark

Start: 9:00 am - School Hall

Date: 11/1/2023

Held by: Abena Opong, Family Support Worker

Services that will be attending on the day:

- Safer Neighbourhood Team
- SIAS - support for SEN
- Sapphire Community
- Southwark Works
- Public Health, Children & Adults Services
- Cambridge House – Solicitor

There will be information leaflets from other services that cannot attend. There will also be second-hand clothes items available.

Please spread the word and your attendance would be appreciated.

Little Stars

We have places available in our Little Stars provision. Refer to the poster below for further details and contact the school office if you are interested in finding out more!



Keyworth Primary School

Free Education for 2-year-olds

Did you know your 2-year-old could get free early education and childcare if you live in England and qualify for a benefit?

New 2-year-old Nursery Provision



Mornings Only

8.50-11.50am



We still have spaces in our 2-year-old provision!

Both paid and free spaces available!

Telephone: 0207 735 1701

If your child is 2 years old please fill out an expression of interest form at the school office and visit emsonline.southwark.gov.uk to obtain an eligibility code. If you have a code we can offer your child a free morning space.

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Support for families 1 - ESOL classes for parents/carers

We will be running classes to support families whose first language is not English. Please refer to a poster at the end of this email for further details.

Support for families 2 - School-Home-Support weekly drop-in

At the end of this newsletter you will find details of our weekly Home-School-Support drop-in sessions.

Support for families 3 - Conflict and awareness workshops

At the end of this newsletter you will find details of upcoming “conflict and awareness” workshops.

Word of the Week

This week’s *Word of the Week* is **transform**. 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., **transformation/al**? 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
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I would like to wish you a lovely weekend!

Ray Capper
Head of School

ESOL Classes for Parents at Keyworth Primary



Starting in January 2023

**If you are interested please contact
Abena Opong
Parent Support Worker
07812 461 193 or abena.opong@shs.org.uk**

SHS Weekly Drop In

Here to support whatever your needs



Ask me questions and find out how I can support you and your family to have a better school experience.

Date : Every Wednesday

Where: Community room

Time : 9am - 10am

Contact : 07812 461 193

School-Home Support Practitioner works with children, young people and parents/carers of those who struggle to engage in school due to complex family issues. My aim is to get children and young people back into education and ready to learn, whatever it takes. My name is Abena and I deliver intensive or light touch support for families at Keyworth Primary School



CONFLICT & AWARENESS WORKSHOPS

**TO BEGIN JANUARY 2023 AT KEYWORTH
PRIMARY**

CHOICES AND CONSEQUENCES

COMMUNICATION AND CONFLICTS

WORKING WITH CHALLENGING BEHAVIOUR

MINDFULNESS

SOCIAL MEDIA

AFFIRMATIONS

**REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE WITH SHS
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07812461193**

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