

Keyworth Primary School Newsletter



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Term Dates 2023-2024

September 2023							October 2023							November 2023							December 2023						
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School Holidays	INSET Days	Tutorial Day	Bank Holidays	Polling Day
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Important dates for your diary

Event	Class assemblies
08.01.24	INSET day
09.01.24	Children return
17.01.24	Reception celebration day at 9:00am
24.01.24	Reception reading workshop at 9:00am - part 1
31.01.24	Reception reading workshop at 9:00am - part 2
05.02.24	Year 1 reading workshop and celebration at 9:00am
07.02.24	Reception reading workshop at 9:00am - part 3
19.02.24	Tutorial day - school closed to children
13.03.24	Year 4 x-table check parent/carer workshop at 9:10am
20.03.24	Year 6 SATs parent/carer workshop at 9:10am
28.03.24	Last day of term
16.04.24	Children return
	24.01.24 6CS
	31.01.24 4EB
	07.02.24 2ER
	06.03.24 Year1
	13.03.24 5AA
	20.03.24 3GC
	27.03.24 RCJ

Celebrations

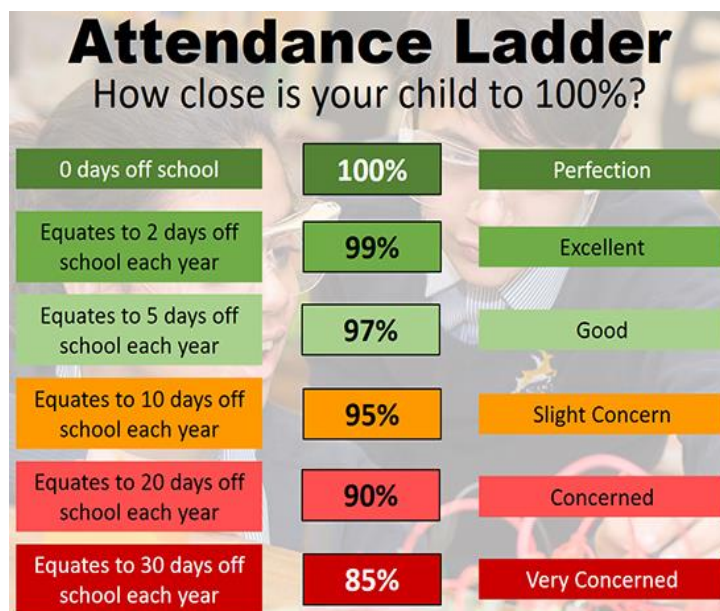
Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week	Presenter of the Week
RCJ	Adama	Muhannad	Shiloh	Lael	
1AJ	1AJ	Iruo	Raed	Freddie	Anna
1HE	1HE	Emily	Lacey	Khalid	Nicole
2PH	Ellie	Bastian	Abdul Ahadh	Mohamed-Alie	Jaime
2ER	Yasmina	Mabruka	Kayleigh	William	Romel

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week
3MR	Alayna	Lily-Mai	Jamelia	Munira
3GC	Adam	Ronit	Elise E	Nate
4AB	Arsema	Sumayah	Shakib	Sophia
4EB	Kaelan	Zarah	Frankie	Gibril
5BH	Adrian	Tyler	Stephanie	Awo
5AA	Isabella	Manuella	Anas	Lucas
6MV	Glenn	Michelle	Ayeyi	Saif
6CS	Mahdi	Jay	Keishana	Oliver C

This week's gem winners are...	Sapphires
This week's treasure chest winners are...	1AJ 3MR

Attendance

Class	Attendance
RCJ	96.84
1AJ	91.76
1HE	98.13
2PH	91.02
2ER	96.15
3MR	92.66
3GC	97.14
4AB	94.74
4EB	98.77
5BH	96.19
5AA	98.61
6MV	91.54
6CS	91.54
Whole school	94.41
School average (year)	94.4%
National average (year)	94.1%
School target	96%



This week's attendance winners are **4EB**

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

1st	2nd	3rd
3GC 97.46%	4EB 96.96%	4AB 96.35%

Latest News

Safeguarding at Keyworth

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility!

As a reminder, the poster contains details of Keyworth's safeguarding team. Should you have any safeguarding concerns about any Keyworth child/family, please contact the school office to request a call back from a safeguarding offer.

Should you have a concern about any child/family/person, you can also contact directly the safeguarding team of the borough where the child/family/person lives i.e. Southwark, Lambeth etc.

Safeguarding - online safety at home

As parents/carers are aware, I am not a particular fan of social media when it comes to children. Obviously, this is individual parental choice but I must again raise that it has been reported to the school that there have been several incidents in recent weeks of inappropriate conduct when children are online away from school. These have included:

- The use/viewing of inappropriate language;
- The use/viewing of videos containing 'adult' themes.

Please ensure that you regularly check your child/ren's device/s and contact the school office FAO of a safeguarding lead should you become aware of inappropriate content shared/viewed by Keyworth children.

Further support can be found by clicking on the links below:

[Safer Internet advice for parents and carers](#)

[NSPCC guides](#)

Attendance - persistent absence

Regular attendance to school is the law. If your child's attendance is below 90%, then your child is not attending school regularly and are therefore persistently absent from school.

Research states that poor attendance to school impacts on a child's academic prospects both presently and in the future, as well as their mental wellbeing.

KPS Designated officer for child protection and safeguarding:



Ray Capper
Head of School

Deputy designated senior management for child protection and safeguarding



Claire Merritt
Assistant Headteacher



Sarah Beard
Executive Headteacher



Jaime Long
Deputy Headteacher

Additional deputy staff for child protection and safeguarding



Moynul Ameen
After School Club Coordinator



Lori Knight
Inclusion Manager

During the next few weeks, families whose child/ren is/are persistently absent from school will be sent a letter informing them of this and may be expected to attend a meeting with Sarah and/or myself. This action forms part of our school absence procedure with the aim of attendance improving moving forward. Should attendance not improve, the school will need to make a referral to the Local Authority.

Thank you to everyone for ensuring that your child/ren get the best start by bringing them to school every day, unless absolutely necessary.

Upcoming workshops

Please save the dates for two upcoming workshops that will take place in the Community Room from 9:10am:

Workshop	Date	Who for?
Multiplication check workshop	Wednesday 13 th March	Year 4 parents
KS2 SATs workshop	Wednesday 20 th March	Year 6 parents

Neurodiversity Week - message from Lori

Neurodiversity Week takes place from Monday 18th - Sunday 24th March 2024. There will be a number of panel discussions with inspirational speakers from a range of backgrounds and professions via the official site. The discussions will all be focussing on key neurodiversity topics, and aim to educate while inspiring conversations about neurodiversity. All events are free of charge and open to all - just register your interest. Please click on the link below for more details:

[Neurodiversity Celebration Week](#)

International Women's Day and Lifting Limits

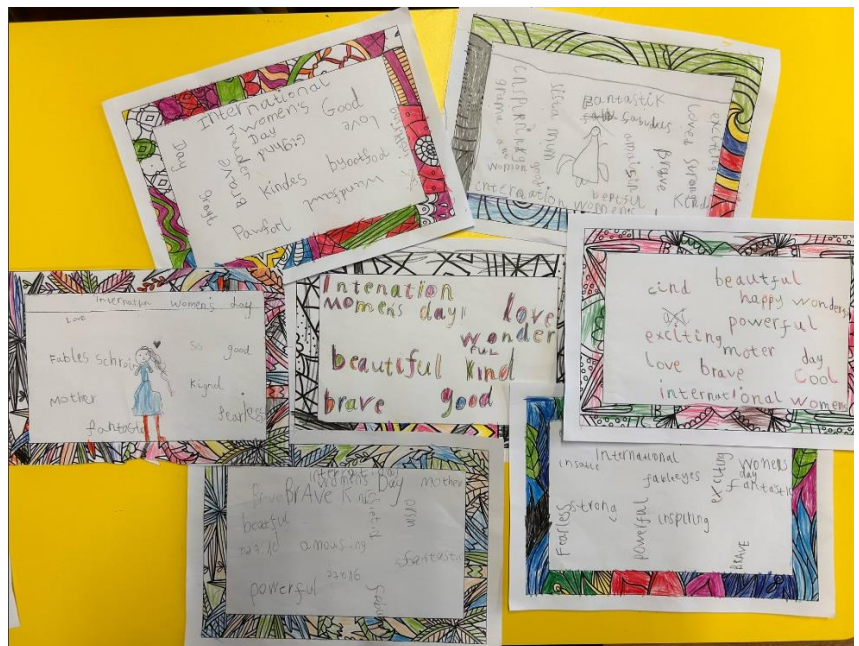
Gender stereotypes can limit children's choices from an early age, as seen in the careers children hope for, the school subjects they identify with and the ways in which they behave towards one another in and out of school. Gender stereotypes steer girls and boys in different directions which are reflected in later life in career choices, pay, mental health and behaviours.

At Keyworth, we work with Lifting Limits to deliver education in order to challenge such stereotypes and obstacles to progress.

International Women's Day (today)

is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating women's equality - join us in using today as an opportunity to discuss with your children the need to challenge discrimination and inequality! Further information about Lifting Limits can be found by clicking on the link below:

[Lifting Limits](#)



For International Women's Day the year 1 children thought about women who inspire them and wrote different adjectives to describe them.

Sports clubs - summer term

I am pleased to report that a selection of sports clubs will be returning during the summer term! Look out for further information in the next few weeks...

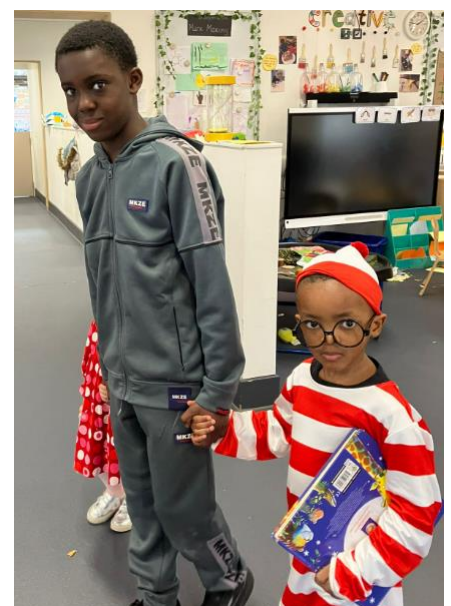
World Book Day

On Thursday, we celebrated our love of books by dressing up for World Book Day. There were some great costumes on show and a wealth of characters from a wide range of books.



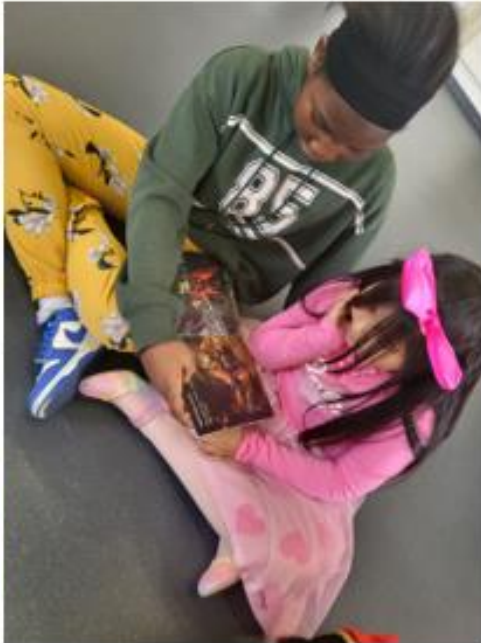
Keyworth's pop-up bookshop

Thousands of children grow up in homes with very few books of their own, sometimes none at all. They have fewer opportunities to lose themselves in a story, for shared reading with a parent/carer and to discover the world. Keyworth has been working with the *Children's Book Project* who aims to provide children with access to books. As you can see, the children loved receiving their new books!



Reading buddies

As part of World Book Day, children in KS2 'buddied up' with children in the Early Years/KS1 to enjoy a book together.





Year 2 visit to Westminster Abbey

This half term the children in year 2 are learning about Christianity and the story of Easter in their RE lessons. On Tuesday, to bring their learning to life and to gain a greater insight into the Christian faith, they visited Westminster Abbey, a Christian place of worship.



Competition winners

Congratulations to all of our competition winners for our Reading Celebration Week:

World Book Day costumes			
Iruoghene 1AJ	Jake 3MR	Naiyah 5BH	Kaycee 5BH
Story opening and magic land competitions			
Teddy 2ER	Ian 2ER	Albie 6CS	Lucretia 6CS

All winners have received a book as a prize! Thank you to everyone who took part.

Public Health update - Southwark Council

[Measles](#) is a serious illness that can cause brain damage and other life-long complications, and leads to around 20% of those infected having to spend time in hospital.

Measles is spreading in South London due to low MMR uptake. [The MMR vaccine is safe and highly effective at preventing measles](#). Children and young people aged under 25 are being particularly encouraged to make sure they have had two doses of MMR vaccine, as younger people are more likely to catch measles. Anyone who works in a busy environment or has lots of contact with children and young people should also make sure they are up to date.

To help people who have not had two doses of their MMR vaccine catch-up, we are organising a series of community clinics in Southwark libraries. The first catch-up clinic is being held on Saturday 16th March between 11am and 3.30pm at Peckham Library.

[Book a slot at the clinic here](#). It is open to anyone who has not previously had a dose of MMR vaccine, or has only had one dose previously.

Marek Zmroczek-Sterenberg
Health Protection Policy Officer
Public Health, Children and Adults Services
London Borough of Southwark
Southwark Council

Mother's Day

Mother's Day is on **Sunday 10th March**. Thank you to all at Keyworth Friends for their support with the Mother's Day gift sale!

I hope that every mother (and parent/carer) has a wonderful day and gets treated well!



Support for families 1 - get rid of and donate (updated information)



COME AND HELP YOURSELF - FOR FREE!!

Get Rid of and Donate CIC collects unwanted items - preloved good quality clothes, shoes, household/textiles, books, toys, tech/electricals, *furniture, musical equipment/music/cd/dvds and more recycling giving back to those in need.

Something that you no longer want can still be used by someone else giving a 2nd or 3rd life span!.

Donations benefit the beneficiaries of the project refugees, asylum seekers, vulnerable families and the homeless.

The ongoing cost of living crisis has caused the demand to assist other disadvantaged users groups the elderly people living with mental health & people with disabilities we need YOUR donations.

**Items offered from the community subject to availability.*

All donated items are cleaned, checked, and sanitised to ensure items are in good usable, working condition

We promote 'waste not, want not' giving back to the community. You can also swap and recycle  unwanted children toys and books

LOCATION ADDRESS & SESSION TIMES:

St. Faith's Community Centre,
Red Post Hill,
London SE24 9JQ
(By appointment only)

Every Monday by appointment

10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Last entry at 1:30pm

Transportation:

Nearest rail station: North Dulwich Centre.
Bus routes: 42, P4 (brings you to Red Post Hill mini roundabout)

CONTACT US
07944 102 112

WWW.GETRIDOFIT-DONATE.COM

Word of the Week

This week's *Word of the Week* is **familiar**. 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. **familiarity/familiarise**? Can they identify any synonyms or antonyms?

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

Previous words	defensible, corresponded, exaggerated, recommended, determined, hinder, accommodated, controversy, sacrifice, persuade, awkward, thorough, convenient, suggested, harassed, relevant, definite, category, curious, occurrence, conscious
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I would like to wish you and your family a wonderful weekend!

Ray Capper
Head of School