

# Keyworth Primary School Newsletter



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Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## 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

Further dates to be confirmed...

## Celebrations

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week	Presenter of the Week
RCM	Alex	Emily	Muhannad	Ionie	
1AJ	Jaren	Jasmine	Bhavya	Freya	Eden
1HE	Nasir	Sofia	Aidan	Nasir	Tajay
2PH	Manha	Malik	Mawaddah	Nate	Amir
2CS	Kayden	Lily-Mai	Raymand	Mariam J	King

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week
3MK	All of 3MK	Tawiah	Ayaan	Sana
3AB	All of 3AB	Kieron	Othniel	Arthur
4MV	Tyler	Kymani	Gabriel	Kaycee
4EB	Javel	Omobolaji	Ridwaan	Aza
5BH	Conor	Annabel	Majid	
5JA	Mamo	Ariella	Maida	Jawdan
6MO	Zach	Diaz	Chloe	Leyla
6JG	Zainab	Cianna	Leah	Muhammad

This week's gem winners are....

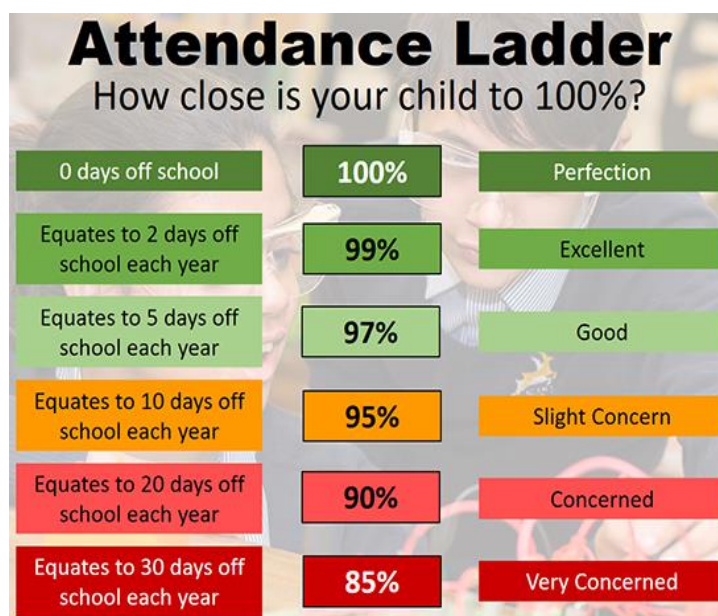
Sapphires

This week's treasure chest winners are...

2CS and 5BH

## Attendance

Class	Attendance
RCM	91.17%
1AJ	84.53%
1HE	93.94%
2PH	90.71%
2CS	88.55%
3MK	83.23%
3AB	82.32%
4MV	90.38%
4EB	83.51%
5BH	98.16%
5JA	94.39%
6MO	88.44%
6JG	98.55%
Whole school	90.27%
School target	96%



This week's attendance winners are 6JG

\*Attendance is below expected this week as several children have yet to start school this term.

## Latest News

### Welcome back!

It has been great to welcome back all of the amazing Keyworth children and to welcome for the first time our new starters! We look forward to working with our families in providing the best possible learning experiences and outcomes for your child/ren.

### Morning drop-offs

We started the week being lenient in terms of parents/carers being onsite at drop-off as we understand that the start of term is always a momentous occasion for children and adults alike. However, we will be again insisting that parents/carers drop their children off at the gate in the morning from now on. This is to ensure a smooth transition to the start of the school day and prevents learning time being wasted. Should you wish to speak to your child/ren's class teacher/s, you should do so at the end of the school day or by making an appointment via the school office. Parents/carers will still be able to access school from 3:15pm each day.

### Fauce Street entrance - closed

A reminder that children should only be using the Faunce Street school entrance if they are attending breakfast club or arrive to school late.

### Communication between home and school

Our main form of informing parents/carers about what is going on in school will be done via email. Please ensure that you check your emails regularly and then read any letters/newsletters that we send. Additionally, should your contact details change, please inform the school office.

The school office is open between 8:00am and 4:00pm daily, and office staff can be contacted via phone, email or in person.

### Reporting a child absent

If your child is going to be absent from school on any given day, you should call the school office and provide a reason. If your child is absent on consecutive days, you still need to call the school office every day that they are absent. *Please note that, if we are unable to contact you, this could result in senior leaders having to undertake a home visit for safeguarding reasons.*

### Year 6 secondary school applications

Jason will be holding a secondary school application meeting on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 9:10am**. On the day, please go via the school office so that you can sign-in. Further information about the application process for Southwark and Lambeth can be found on the websites below:

[Southwark](#)

[Lambeth](#)

### Playground equipment at hometime

Children are not allowed to use the fort at hometime (pictured). This is due to it only being safe for older children and when supervised by school staff. Children can use all other playground apparatus if supervised by a parent/carer.



### Keyworth Friends

*Keyworth Friends* are our school PTA. In order for the school to put on additional events and activities, we need parents/carers to volunteer their time - this does not have to be a massive commitment and is a great way of meeting other parents/carers. It would be amazing if more parents/carers joined the group and support making our community school an even better place for the children. Please contact *Keyworth Friends* via email/Classlist for further information.

Keyworth Friends can be found on the following platforms:

- Twitter @KeyworthFriends
- Facebook Keyworth Primary School Friends Association
- Instagram @KeyworthPrimarySchoolFriends
- Classlist Keyworth Primary School Parents
- You can also email them at [KeyworthFriends@gmail.com](mailto:KeyworthFriends@gmail.com).

### Reading at home

As I have said on numerous occasions, if there is something that parents/carers can do at home that will really help their child/ren with their learning, it is to ensure that they read every day. Parents/carers will be receiving a reading record book which needs to be signed when your child/ren has/have read. In school, the children will receive rewards as shown below. I have asked school staff to monitor their class' home reading and to communicate with parents/carers either when reading may not be taking place or not frequently enough.

Number of reads	Prize
5	Bronze sticker
10	Silver sticker
15	Gold sticker
20	Bronze sticker
25	Silver sticker
30	Gold sticker
35	Bronze sticker
40	Silver sticker
45	Gold sticker
50	Certificate presented in class

Number of reads	Prize
55	Bronze sticker
60	Silver sticker
65	Gold sticker
70	Bronze sticker
75	Silver sticker
80	Gold sticker
85	Bronze sticker
90	Silver sticker
95	Gold sticker
100	Certificate presented in assembly

### Home learning

At Keyworth, the completion of some additional learning at home is encouraged. As said above, daily reading is extremely important. Below are some additional home learning opportunities/support. Please contact your child/ren's class teacher/s for further clarification, as necessary.

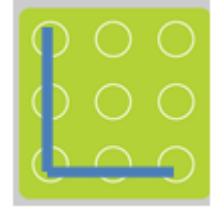
- **Years 2 to 6 Maths and Spelling Rockets** - The children will be given rocket cards containing all of the spelling and mental maths objectives for the year. Starting from the bottom of the rocket card, the children will be learning weekly spellings and mental maths in school and are encouraged to also practise these at home.
- **Topic homework** - The children will be given a topic homework book with some ideas of what you can do at home as part of their topic learning. This might be creating some art or craft, eating some food from a particular country, visiting a place of interest etc.
- **Mathletics (year 1 up), Reading Eggs (year 1 up), Purple Mash (year 2 up) and Timestable Rockstars (year 2 up)**. Your child/ren should have received their login details for the above online tools or within the next few days. If they have not received their logins or you have any queries, then please contact their class teacher/s.
- **Letter-join** - Letter-join is the handwriting scheme that we use in school. We have a parent subscription where you can watch online tutorials of how letters and words are formed through the scheme, complete pre-set activities and create your own worksheets. In school, we often link our handwriting to the spellings and sounds that we are learning. If using a tablet device, children can learn to use their fingers to practise forming letters.

If using Letter-join on a tablet device, you will need to use the following details:

**Username:** Keyworth

**Swipe code:** a capital 'L' shape starting at the top left

Click on where it says 'Tablet login' first.



If using Letter-join on a computer, you will need to use the following details:

**Username:** key

**Account password:** worth

Please note: Letter-join recommends that you use Google Chrome, Firefox or Safari for the best compatibility.

*We do not want to inundate you with home learning expectations so please communicate with your child/ren's class teacher/s to discuss how families can best help.*

### Google classroom

We will continue to upload homework and class newsletters to *Google classroom*. We will be reviewing this provision in the coming weeks with a view to relaunching it to improve its effectiveness.

### Support for families 1 - School Home Support (Abena)

Keyworth has a *School-Home Support* practitioner called Abena. Her role is to support families with a variety of issues. At the end of this newsletter, you will find further information about Abena and the support that she can offer you.

### Support for families 2 - Speech and Language

At the end of this newsletter, you will find posters advertising Speech and Language support in Lambeth and Southwark.

### Support for families 3 - coding courses

At the end of this newsletter, there is a poster containing details of FREE coding courses for children aged 7 to 18 - places are limited!

### Word of the Week

This week's *Word of the Week* is **certain**. 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., **certainly/certainty**? Can they identify any synonyms or antonyms?

I would like to wish you a lovely weekend!

Ray Capper  
Head of School

## About me

I am employed by an independent education charity called School-Home Support (SHS). I work in partnership with your school to support children and their families to get the most from the educational opportunities on offer.



### My role includes...

- ✓ Acting as a link between home and school
- ✓ Listening to you
- ✓ Offering practical suggestions and advice
- ✓ Going to meetings with you
- ✓ Promoting regular attendance
- ✓ Arranging adult learning courses
- ✓ Facilitating a parent drop in
- ✓ Supporting you



If you're feeling **worried**, **concerned** or just need a bit of **advice**, you're not the only parent in the school that feels that way. I'm ready to help you find solutions; that's **what I'm here for.**

## How I can help

### I can help with information and advice on:

- ✓ Fitting in at school
- ✓ Housing and money worries
- ✓ Feeling happy and confident
- ✓ Benefits and support
- ✓ New starts, changes and settling in
- ✓ Supporting your child's learning
- ✓ Getting to school on time
- ✓ School attendance
- ✓ Mental or physical health issues
- ✓ Family problems
- ✓ Behaviour at home and school
- ✓ School grades and results
- ✓ Courses, training and volunteering
- ✓ Bereavement and family breakdown

### Why not come in for a chat?



I can also visit you at home.

### For more information please contact:

T: **07812461193**

E: **abena.opong@shs.org.uk**

Every family's story is different. We will work to make sure you get the right kind of support that you need.



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## About School-Home Support

**School-Home Support (SHS)** has been a centre for excellence in school-home work for over thirty years.

Today, **SHS** is the leading independent provider of School-Home Support Services. We offer practical and emotional support for children and young people and their families across the country.

For more information about SHS, please go to [www.shs.org.uk](http://www.shs.org.uk).

### Confidentiality

I **do not** and **will not** tell anyone anything that you tell me without your permission, *except* if I believe a child/person is at risk, or if it may have an impact on a child's learning or well-being.



## Here to help



Hi, I'm Abena Opong

your SHS Practitioner at

**John Ruskin Primary School/  
Keyworth Primary School**

I am available from

**Monday to Friday**



# Chattertime



A weekly **online session** for parents and children aged from **15 months - 4 years** who are registered with a **Lambeth or Southwark GP**

Run by a qualified Speech and Language Therapist

During the session we will share advice and support on the development of early speech and language skills.

The session includes singing, stories, support and advice

**Mondays**  
**10:30 –11:00 am**



To book a place please register with your local Lambeth children's centre or email [gst-tr.contactslt@nhs.net](mailto:gst-tr.contactslt@nhs.net)  
You will then be sent a link for the session.  
You must provide your child's full name, date of birth, GP and postcode.



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# Virtual Speech and Language Therapy Drop-In Sessions



**Do you have questions or concerns about your child's speech and language development? Are you registered with a Lambeth or Southwark GP?**

You can request a virtual drop-in session by emailing [gst-tr.contactslt@nhs.net](mailto:gst-tr.contactslt@nhs.net) and stating:

- your child's name and date of birth
- your telephone number
- your GP surgery name

In your email, ask for a virtual-drop in and you will be sent a link for our next available workshop



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A play session for children under 5 years with the Speech & Language Therapist.  
Join us for playing, singing, rhymes, stories, support and advice.

All sessions are run TERM TIME ONLY

<p><b>Liz Atkinson Children's Centre,</b> SW9 6PH</p> <p><b>Mondays</b> 10-11:30am</p> <p>Contact 020 4530 5735</p>	<p><b>Stockwell Children's Centre</b> SW9 9QJ</p> <p><b>Tuesdays</b> 10.00-11.30</p> <p>Contact 020 732 67328</p>	<p><b>Maytree Children's Centre</b> 4 Allingham Rd SW4 8EG</p> <p><b>Tuesdays</b> 13:30-15:00</p> <p>Contact 020 8671 3298</p>	<p><b>Treehouse Children's Centre</b> SW2 2RW</p> <p><b>Wednesdays</b> 13:30-15:00</p> <p>Contact 020 8674 6060</p>	<p><b>LEAP Baby Chattertime Loughborough CC</b> SW9 7UA</p> <p><b>Wednesdays</b> 1.30-2.30pm</p> <p>Contact 020 7274 8374</p>	<p><b>Ethelred Children's Centre</b> SE11 6BG</p> <p><b>Thursdays</b> 10-11:30am</p> <p>Contact 020 7582 9711</p>	<p><b>Benton's Lane Children's Centre</b> SE27 9UD</p> <p><b>Thursdays</b> 9:30-11:00am</p> <p>Contact 020 4542 3520</p>	<p><b>Sunnyhill Children's Centre</b> SW16 2UW</p> <p><b>Fridays</b> 9:30-11:00am</p> <p>Contact 020 4548 2561</p>
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<p><b>Victory Children and Family Centre</b> SE17 1PT</p> <p><b>Monday</b> 10.00-11.30</p> <p>Contact 0207 740 8070</p>	<p><b>Albrighton Children's Centre</b> SE22 8AH</p> <p><b>Wednesdays</b> 13:00-14.15</p> <p>Contact 0207 525 2017</p>	<p><b>Leyton's Square</b> SE15 6TP</p> <p><b>Wednesdays</b> 9:30-11:00am</p> <p>Contact 0207 252 8265</p>	<p><b>Ellen Brown Play Centre</b> SE1 3EU</p> <p><b>Wednesdays</b> 13:30-15:00</p> <p>Contact 0203 049 6003</p>	<p><b>Rye Oak Children's Centre</b> SE15 3PD</p> <p><b>Thursdays</b> 9.30-11:00</p> <p>Contact 0203 848 5780</p>
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LIMITED  
SPACES  
FOR AGES  
7-18

# Learn to Code

## Free remote instructor-led code-along classes

**DATA SCIENCE** - Starts 19th September  
Every Monday 6pm to 7pm  
For ages 10 to 14 years old

- Learn about data
- Analyse and present data
- No coding experience required

**HTML/CSS** - Starts 20th September  
Every Tuesday 6pm to 7pm

- Design and create cool websites
- Beginner and Intermediate

**SCRATCH** - Starts 21st September  
Every Wednesday 6pm to 7pm

- Great for new coders
- Build fun games using coding blocks
- All abilities

**PYTHON** - Starts 22nd September  
Every Thursday 6pm to 7pm

- Create programmes or apps
- Beginner and intermediate

Visit our website or email us to find out more and book

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