

Keyworth Primary School Newsletter



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Friday 9th December 2022

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	
09.12.22	Keyworth Friends' Winter Fayre	05.10.22	6JG
12.12.22	Christmas concert at 9:10am - years 4, 5 and 6	12.10.22	3MK
13.12.22	Christmas concert at 9:10am - years 1, 2 and 3	19.10.22	4MV
14.12.22	Christmas concert at 9:10am - Reception	02.11.22	5JA
14.12.22	Christmas lunch	09.11.22	2PH
15.12.22	Christmas concert at 9:10am - Little Stars and Nursery	16.11.22	5BH
15.12.22	Class parties	23.11.22	2CS
16.12.22	Last day of term - 2:00pm finish		
03.01.23	INSET day		
04.01.23	Children return to school		

Celebrations

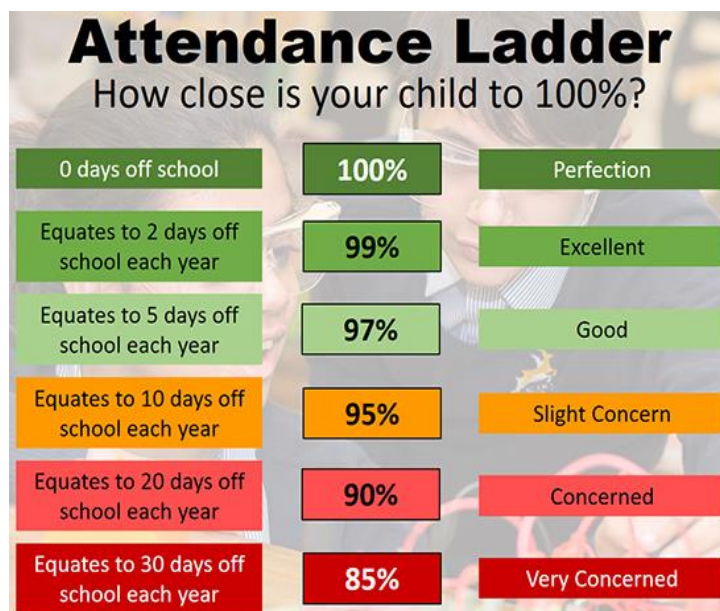
Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week	Presenter of the Week
RCM	Ionie	Yusuf	Cleo	Jolade	
1AJ	Sade	Humaira	Adam	Suhail	Shahid
1HE	Jaime	Ami	Evazi	Ellie	Alie
2PH	Yussef	Princess	Ifeoma	Monica	Zack
2CS	Kamron	Raymand	Ashley	Kayden	Adam

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week
3MK	Samet & Eymen	Samet	Zara	Tawiah
3AB	Zaynah	Jahmorei	Kieron	Otheniel
4MV	Awo	Maxi	Hawa	Jayme
4EB	Lillie	Valentina	Manuella	Austin
5BH	Honyar	Qhalil	Mataias	Tamarni
5JA	Millie	Aiden	Glenn	Suleyman
6MO	Maryama	Joanna	Janet	Kiahya-Rae
6JG	Shayla	Rapheu	Nathaniel	Cianna

This week's gem winners are....	Rubies
This week's treasure chest winners are...	2PH 4EB

Attendance

Class	Attendance
RCM	91.59
1AJ	91.01
1HE	92.06
2PH	94.61
2CS	94.87
3MK	93.49
3AB	93.43
4MV	96.94
4EB	93.65
5BH	95.48
5JA	93.81
6MO	95.99
6JG	97.28
Whole school	94.29
National average	94.3%
School target	96%



This week's attendance winners are **6JG**

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

1st 6JG 97.28%	2nd 4MV 96.94%	3rd 6MO 95.66%
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Latest News

Last day of term

A reminder that school finishes for the term on **Friday 16th December at 2:00pm**. The children return to school on **Wednesday 4th January**.

Gem winners

Congratulations to **Sapphires** who have won the gem prize for this term! Years 1 to 3 will be going to *The Blue Elephant Theatre* for a show, while Years 4 to 6 will be going ice-skating. If a child has had an internal exclusion this term, they will sadly be unable to attend.

Attendance

At Keyworth, we expect all children to have good to excellent attendance and punctuality to school. Children's attendance and punctuality to school has a direct impact on their academic performance, social skills, friendships, life skills, future prospects and general wellbeing.

This term, we held a competition where the class with the best attendance receives a prize. Each week, we have been sharing the top three attending classes in the school during our assembly and in the newsletter. Congratulations to 6JG who are our winners this term with 97.26% attendance - they will be able to select a treat next term. Well done too to classes 4MV, 6MO and 5BH who also have good attendance. As you can see from the table, some classes have very poor attendance and this needs to improve next term.

Position	Class	Attendance this term
1 st	6JG	97.26%
2 nd	4MV	96.94%
3 rd	6MO	95.66%
4 th	5BH	95.45%
5 th	2CS	94.67%
6 th	2PH	94.46%
7 th	5JA	93.74%
8 th	3MK	93.55%
9 th	3AB	93.40%
10 th	1HE	92.49%
11 th	4EB	91.98%
12 th	RCM	91.66%
13 th	1AJ	90.90%
Whole school		94.04%
National average		94.30%

Thank you to all parents/carers who have high expectations of their children's attendance and punctuality to school.

We will restart the competition next term through to the Easter holiday - *will 6JG win again?*

The main reasons for poor attendance this term are:

1. The persistent absence of some children (below 90%);
2. Sickness, but particularly when children are off for 3+ days at a time;
3. Unauthorised term-time holidays.

As a reminder, the school monitors all children's attendance regularly and parents/carers will be contacted should a child's attendance fall below 90%. Initially, this will be at an informal stage but with a view to reporting to the local authority should attendance continue to be unacceptable.

Warm clothing

Throughout the winter months, we will continue to play outside. Please ensure that your child/ren wear/s plenty of layers to school and that all their clothing is labelled with their name/s.

Contact details

Please ensure that you communicate with the school office any changes to your contact details, whether that be your mobile number/s, home address or any emergency contacts.

Christmas dates

Below are the dates for our upcoming Christmas events. All concerts will take place in the main hall (lunch hall). As a reminder, the children can wear their winter dress-up clothing to their concert, for Christmas lunch and their class party.

Date	Event
Friday 9 th December	Keyworth Friends' Winter Fayre
Monday 12 th December	Christmas concert at 9:10am - years 4, 5 and 6
Tuesday 13 th December	Christmas concert at 9:10am - years 1, 2 and 3
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas concert at 9:10am - Reception
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas lunch
Thursday 15 th December	Christmas concert at 9:10am - Little Stars and Nursery
Thursday 15 th December	Class parties
Friday 16 th December	Last day of term - 2:00pm finish

Class parties

Class parties will take place on **Thursday 15th December**. Children are allowed to wear their party clothes to school all day on Thursday. You may have been asked by your child's class teacher for contributions towards the party - please remember that we do not allow nuts, grapes or pork products in school. Also, if you are making food, please provide us with a list of ingredients.

Ensure that you regularly update the school office should your child/ren have any allergies or medical needs.

Christmas lunch

Our Christmas lunch will take place on **Wednesday 14th December**. Should your child/ren wish to wear their festive jumpers/clothing again, they can do so on this day.

Free school meal vouchers - Christmas holiday

Southwark remains committed to supporting its disadvantaged pupils during the Christmas holiday 2022 and will do this by using part of the *Household Support Fund* to fund meals for those pupils who are eligible to receive *benefits-related free school meals*. Children who meet these requirements will receive £33 worth of food vouchers per child for the duration of the holiday.

If your child has previously not been entitled to receive *benefits-related free school meals* and your financial circumstances have changed in the past year, please complete the entitlement form that can be collected from the school office.



Applying for a primary school place 2023

Is your child starting primary school next year? If your child was born between **1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019**, your child is due to start primary school in September 2023. Keyworth has up to 60 Reception places available for September 2023 and you can apply for a place using the link below. Please do share with others!

[Apply for your child's primary school place by 15 January 2023](#)

Letter reminder - Public Health Southwark

Below you will find details of a letter sent earlier this week:

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE FOR SOUTHWARK PARENTS/CARERS

Below is a message from *Public Health Southwark* that we have been asked to share with you:

SCARLET FEVER: BE AWARE OF THE SYMPTOMS

Scarlet fever is caused by a bacteria called *Group A Streptococcus* and cases are higher than we would typically see at this time of year. The first signs of scarlet fever can be flu-like symptoms, including a high temperature, a sore throat and swollen neck glands. A sandpaper like rash appears 12 to 48 hours later.

For further information see:

[Scarlet fever - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk).

You should contact NHS 111 or your GP if you suspect your child has scarlet fever.

Group A Streptococcus can also cause other respiratory and skin infections and, in very rare occasions, the bacteria can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called invasive *Group A strep (iGAS)*. While uncommon, there has been an increase in iGAS cases this year, particularly in children under 10.

If your child seems unwell, please contact NHS 111 or your GP.

For information on symptoms see:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ukhsa-update-on-scarlet-fever-and-invasive-group-a-strep>.

NHS 111 or your GP should be contacted if a child has scarlet fever, as early treatment with antibiotics will reduce the risk of complications. As per national guidance, children and adults with suspected scarlet fever should be excluded from nursery / school / work for 24 hours after the commencement of appropriate antibiotic treatment. Good hand and respiratory hygiene are important for stopping the spread of infection.

For more information see:

[Home \(e-bug.eu\)](http://e-bug.eu).

Keyworth Friends Winter Fair

Thank you in advance to everyone who has organised and/or supported our upcoming winter fayre - we really value your support of the school.

Winter dress-up day

Today, the children came to school in their winter attire for our winter dress-up day. All money donated will go to the *Save the Children* charity.



Bike-ability

Throughout the week, children in Reception have been practising their cycling skills and learning how to be safe when riding a bike.



Being a Play Leader at Keyworth Primary School - message from Dorett

Playing outside is an integral part of our school and is where children have the opportunity to share ideas, take turns, build relationships and celebrate friendships. We want to continue to promote positive play, offering children space to develop their imagination and have fun. Our lunch breaks are the ideal time for this to happen and children from Years 5 and 6 have been

invited to help with this outcome and applied for the position of a Play Leader. The application form consisted of three questions including: 'What do you think makes a good play leader?'

In addition to the initial training, they were also asked to read and sign a contract to show their commitment. I am pleased to say that numerous children have been successful in applying for this position. Please look out for next week's newsletter to find out who they are and how excited they are to be in their new role of responsibility.

This is an extract from a new play leader on their very first day of duty.

"It is lovely to be a play leader as I have no words how to describe the feeling inside of me. I have a lot of joy because of this amazing job, it really has changed my life in a good way. I am never going to regret being a play leader, this is what I love doing and the kids look up to me and I am never going to let them down, not even if someone pays me... I've been let down before so will not let those amazing kids down now."

Support for families 1 - Southwark's winter of food and fun

Southwark Council want to help local families who need additional support to get free, healthy food and fun activities. These are aimed at children and young people aged between 4 to 16 years. There are many locations in Southwark who are providing the following programme of support:

- free, nutritious and tasty food;
- fun physical activity sessions;
- a wide range of other exciting activities to suit different ages and personalities;
- opportunities to learn more about food and nutrition for children and their families.

Further information and details of how to book can be found by using the link below:

[Southwark's Winter of Food and Fun](#)

Support for families 2 - help for households

Below you will find a link for the government's "Help for Households" campaign:

<https://helpforhouseholds.campaign.gov.uk/>

Support for families 3 - Southwark 'Cost of Living' booklet

Below you will find a link to Southwark's 'Cost of Living' booklet:

[Southwark 'Cost of Living' booklet](#)

Support for families 4 - kids winter sports camp

At the end of this newsletter, you will find a poster containing information about a local winter sports camp.

Word of the Week

This week's *Word of the Week* is **prejudice**. 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., **prejudicial**? 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
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I would like to wish you a lovely weekend!

Ray Capper
Head of School

KIDS WINTER SPORTS CAMP

FUN & CREATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR BOYS & GIRLS 5-12 YEARS OLD

8 days
19-23 DEC
28-30 DEC

Low income families may qualify **FREE** of charge!
A £5 refundable per day deposit is required
£10 per day otherwise

Limited spaces
SEND inclusive
First come first serve
Deadline to book-9 Dec

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- ✓ Sports
- ✓ Outdoor games
- ✓ Arts & crafts
- ✓ Sports day
- ✓ Field trips

Pedlar Acre Hall
1 Opal Street
SE11 4HZ
10.30am- 3.30pm

Apply online
<http://bit.ly/3EOnoHL>

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