

Keyworth Primary School Newsletter

Part of The Gem Federation

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Friday 13th June 2025

Term Dates 2024-2025

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School Holidays

INSET Days

Tutorial Day

Bank Holidays

Important dates for your diary

Summer 2

18.06.25	Sports day - Reception and Year 1 at 9:15am - in school	03.07.25	Reception 'stay and play' at 3:30pm
19.06.25	New to Keyworth parent workshop at 9:30am	09.07.25	Carnival at 2:30pm
19.06.25	Sports day - Years 2, 3 and 4 at 9:10am - Kennington Park	11.07.25	Summer fair at 3:30pm
19.06.25	Sports day - Years 5 and 6 at 1:30pm - Kennington Park	15.07.25	Year 6 production at 5:00pm
24.06.25	Sports day - Nursery at 2:15pm - in school	17.07.25	Year 6 BBQ - 3:30pm to 5:30pm
02.07.25	Transitioning to year 1 parent workshop at 2:45pm	18.07.25	Year 6 graduation at 9:10am
02.07.25	Year 1 'stay and play' at 3:30pm	21.07.25	Class parties - pm
03.07.25	Current nursery parents to Reception workshop at 2:45pm	22.07.25	Last day of term - 2:00pm finish

Celebrations

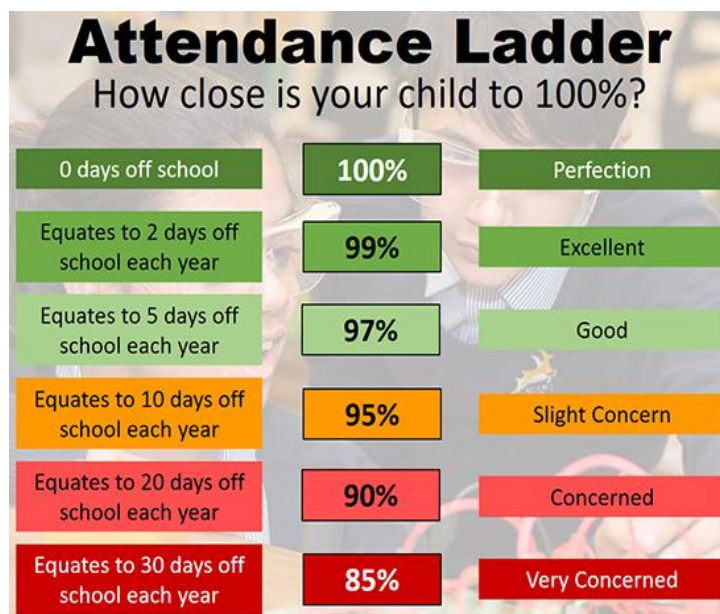
Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week	Presenter of the Week
Pearls	Amy	Matteo M	Mateo F	Adam	Aasiyah
Opals	Axel	Mohamed	Yussuf	All of Year 1	Penny
Moonstones	Muhammad Yahya	Ibrahim	Oliver	Charlie	Axel
2PH	Joshua	Jaiden	Saint	Abdella	Emily

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week
3EB	Eden	Tajay	Kaiyah	Tyler
3GC	Jasmine	Sade	Ian	Adam
4AB	Mohamed	Anniya	Kamron	Mawaddah
4HE	Ivy	Millie	Muna	Luky
5AA	Hamja	Sophia	Kieron	Keyla
5BH	Yahya	Denzel	Ben	Tawiah
6CS	Samih	Maxi	Forry	Francis
6MM	Halimo	BJ	Sammy	Stephanie

This week's gem winners are....	Diamonds
This week's treasure chest winners are...	R1AJ 3GC
This week's healthy lunch winners are...	Jayden 2PH Sonnie 3GC

Attendance

Class	Attendance
Pearls	87.15
Opals	90.83
Moonstones	87.92
2PH	89.26
3EB	93.46
3GC	84.44
4AB	92.98
4HE	84.23
5AA	89.78
5BH	88.89
6CS	91.54
6MM	84.17
Whole school	88.2
School average (year)	93.01%
National average (year)	94.9%
School target	96%



This week's attendance winners are **3EB**

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

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
5BH 97.09	6CS 96.83	5AA 98.87

Latest News

Goodrich Primary School

It is now official that Goodrich Primary School will be joining The Gem Federation from **1st September 2025**. Goodrich has made significant improvements to its provision since The Gem Federation began supporting it and this has been recognised by the Local Authority, Goodrich governors, Goodrich staff and Goodrich parents/carers, who collectively would like to thank everyone at Keyworth and Bessemer for the outstanding level of support provided. On behalf of everyone at Keyworth, I would like to warmly welcome Goodrich into The Gem Federation.

Assembly - hydration

During the next few weeks we will be focusing on healthy eating and physical activity, with our upcoming sports days and MasterChef concluding the learning. In assembly this week, I focused on the importance of keeping hydrated, the symptoms of dehydration and how we can keep hydrated through what we drink and eat.



How can I support my child with their hydration?

1. **Drink six to eight cups of water a day**

We should aim to drink six to eight cups of water a day. Younger children do not need quite as much. Remember, you also get water from eating some foods, like fruit, and other drinks, like milk.

2. **Drink with every meal**

One way to stay hydrated is to try drinking some water with all of your meals.

3. **Drink more on hot days**

We need to drink more on hot days because our body loses more water when we sweat.

4. **Drink more water when you are active**

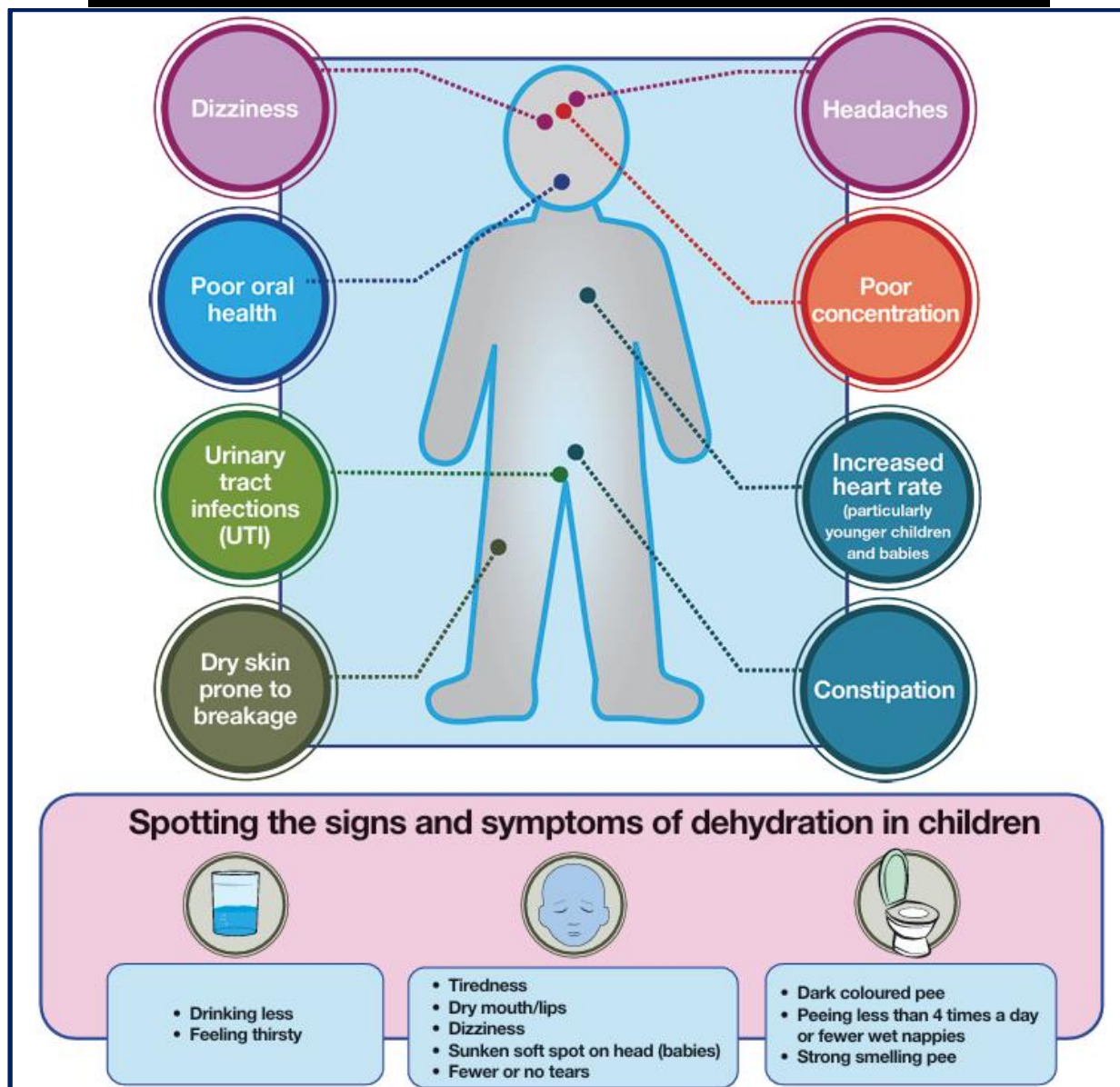
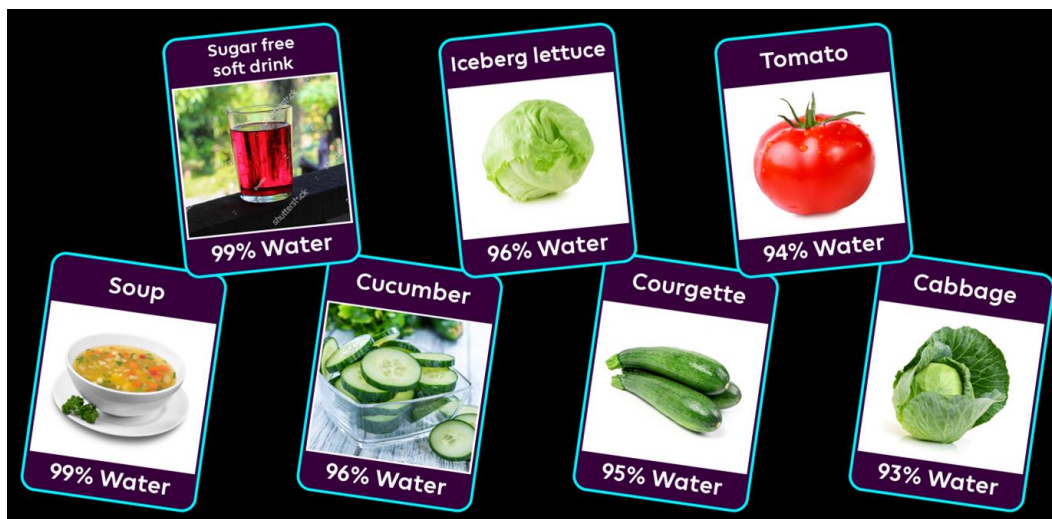
When we are active, we tend to lose more water through heavy breathing or sweat. That's why it's important to drink more water when you have been very active, like after cycling.

5. **Keep a water bottle with you - strongly encouraged!**

Keeping a reusable water bottle with you throughout the day can help you stay hydrated.

6. **Eat food that contains a lot of water**

Eating high water content foods, like strawberries and cucumbers, can help us stay hydrated.



Please provide your child/ren with a labelled water bottle and remember that Keyworth is a water only school.

Further hydration support can be found by clicking on the following link:

[NHS - hydration](#)

Sports days

Subject to the weather, please note the dates, locations and times of the upcoming sports days. Children in Years 1 to 6 should wear clothing in the colour of their gem house, where possible (red, green, blue, white).

Date	Action
18.06.25	Sports day - Reception and Year 1 at 9:15am - in school (go to the Pitch)
19.06.25	Sports day - Years 2, 3 and 4 at 9:10am - Kennington Park
19.06.25	Sports day - Years 5 and 6 at 1:30pm - Kennington Park
24.06.25	Sports day - Nursery at 2:15pm - in school (Faunce Street gate)

Please provide your child/ren with a labelled water bottle and appropriate sun protection.

Staffing update

After 20+ years, Tina Robinson will be leaving us on **Friday 20th June**. I would like to thank Tina for her efforts, dedication, commitment and talent in making a significant difference to the lives of the children and families of Keyworth.

Keyworth Friends' Summer Fair

The Summer Fair is fast-approaching! Please contact Keyworth Friends to volunteer your time on the day and/or to support the organising before then.



Health and safety reminder - drop-off and collection

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been brought to my attention that Keyworth is **breaking legal restrictions** when it comes to the use of Faunce Street and Faunce Street gate. This is due to Parents/Carers using the gate to access the School when they should not be and/or cars being driven down Faunce Street unnecessarily. As a result of this, **the School is currently dealing with complaints and could face legal action.**

Faunce Street gate cannot be used other than for Breakfast Club, when children arrive late to school, to access the office during the school day, or after 4:00pm.

Please avoid driving your car down Faunce Street as this is a health and safety risk which could result in someone's child being knocked over, as well as polluting the School.

Parents/Carers must use Doddington and Gaza Street gates at drop-offs and collections.

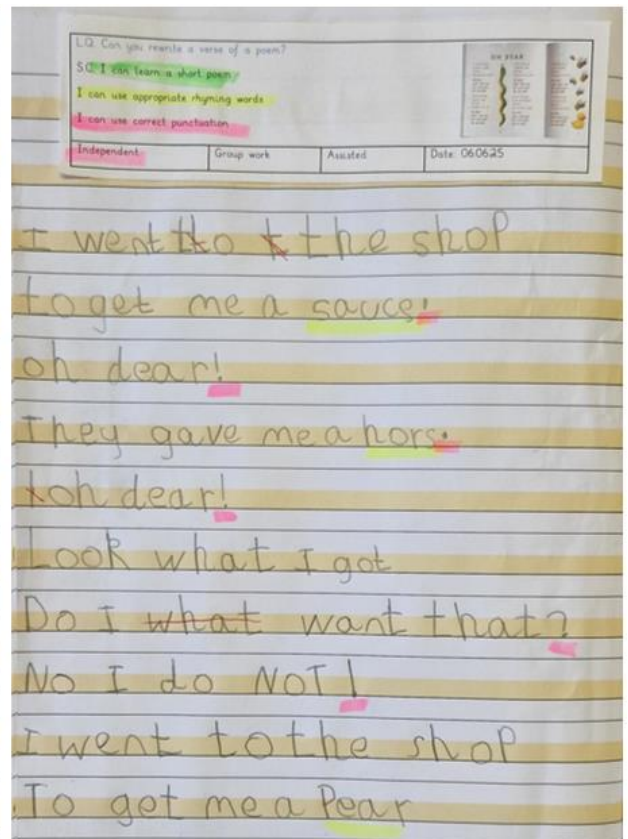
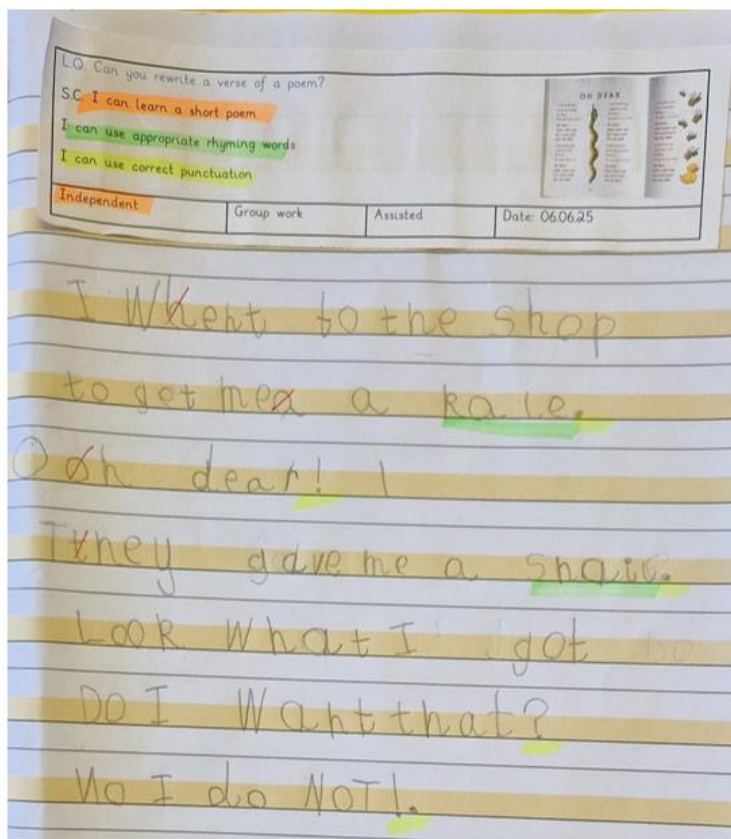
The school office staff have been instructed not to buzz people through Faunce Street gate at times that they should not be accessing it and Parents/Carers will be told that they need to walk around to use the appropriate gates.

Kind regards,

Ray
Head of School

Year 1 poetry

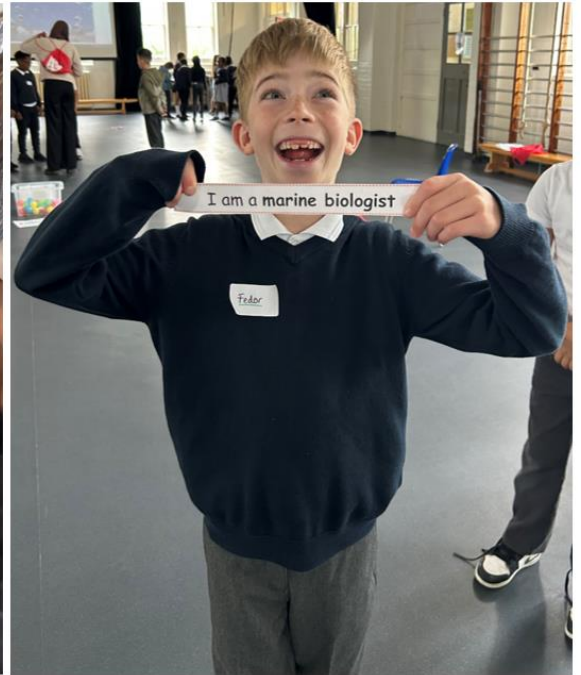
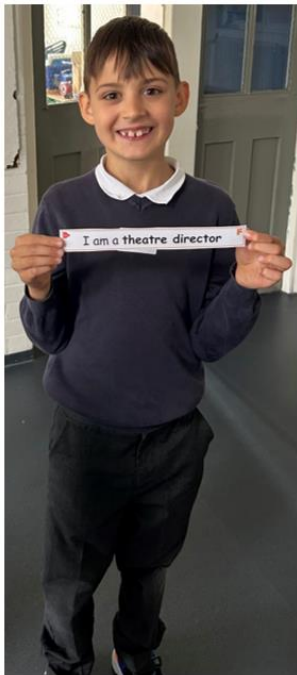
Children in Year 1 were inspired by the poem "Oh Dear", creating and performing their own versions. Congratulations to Bethania, Charlie, Giancarlo, Kwaku and Alissa who performed their poems to me and received a Headteacher sticker! Below are a few examples:



Year 3 IntoUniversity workshop

IntoUniversity offers an innovative programme that supports young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods to attain their chosen aspiration, including further and higher education, employment and work-based training. Their mission is to provide local support that can break cycles of disadvantage and open up new opportunities for young people. They believe in the talent of every young person, and do not limit their support to those young people who have been labelled 'bright' or 'gifted'. They believe that, with support, every young person can progress to an excellent post-school destination and are committed to helping them on this journey.

Throughout the school year, every class in KS2 works with IntoUniversity through workshops that aim to ensure all children have high aspirations for their futures. This week, year 3 learnt about careers and how going to university can give them choices for their future pathways.



Year 3 Spanish day

For Spanish day, Year 3 made Bolivian flags.



A few more photos from the discos...



Years 2 and 5 Fire Brigade visit

On Tuesday, the children in Year 2 and Year 5 were visited by the London Fire Brigade. In the workshops, they learnt about common fire hazards, that smoke can be as dangerous as fire, how smoke alarms work and how to make sure they are working properly. They went on to talk about how to make fire escape plans from homes, what to do if there is a fire and how to call 999.



Year 5 visit Wimbledon Mosque

On Wednesday, Year 5 visited Wimbledon Mosque where they were first given a talk by an Iman about Islam. They got to show off their learning through discussions with him before furthering their learning by asking him questions about the mosque and Islam in general. Finally, they were given a tour of the mosque and learnt about how it runs on a daily basis.



National Blood Donation Week

This week is National Blood Donation Week. This National Blood Donation Week the NHS have been inspiring the country to get talking about blood types. *Do you know yours?*

I am a blood donor. When I was younger, I donated blood regularly and restarted again a few years ago when someone reminded me of the importance of doing so, if you can. Did you know...

- One donation of blood can help up to 3 people?
- On average, 4,300 donations are needed every day to meet hospital needs?
- Donating blood usually takes no more than 1 hour from start to finish?
- Some blood types are rarer than others so more donors are needed to meet the demand of the rarer blood types?
- If your blood type is O positive, you can help around 75% of people who need blood?



Click on the links below for further information:

[Blood donation videos](#)

[Giving blood information](#)

Support for families 1 - Southwark Festival of Words

From **14th to 21st June**, Southwark libraries are offering a vibrant celebration of literature and storytelling. Discover the magic of words and connect with fellow book lovers in your community. Amazing talks with renowned authors, engaging workshops for all ages, and captivating storytellers are also on offer. Click on the link below for further information:

[Southwark Festival of Words](#)

Word of the Week

This week's *Word of the Week* is **physical**. 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. **physically**. Can they identify any synonyms or antonyms?

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

Previous words	accompanying, variety, frequent, sincere, appreciating, tolerant, immediate, guarantee, occupying, amateur, foreign, queue, parliament, developing, bargain, communication, prejudice, attached, aggressive, symbol, available, sufficient, system, rhythm, criticise, identity, governed, bruise, occurring, leisure, conscious
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I would like to wish you and your family a wonderful weekend!

Ray Capper
Head of School