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### Term Dates 2023-2024

# Important dates for your diary

School Holidays

	Event	Class assemblies
08.01.24	INSET day	24.01.24 6CS
09.01.24	Children return	31.01.24 4EB
17.01.24	Reception celebration day at 9:00am	07.02.24 2ER
24.01.24	Reception reading workshop at 9:00am - part 1	06.03.24 Year1
31.01.24	Reception reading workshop at 9:00am - part 2	13.03.24 5AA
05.02.24	Year 1 reading workshop and celebration at 9:00am	20.03.24 3GC
07.02.24	Reception reading workshop at 9:00am - part 3	27.03.24 RCJ
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	

# **Celebrations**

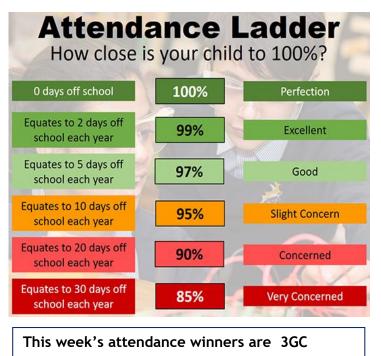
Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week	Presenter of the Week
RCJ	Ayyoub	Lael	Aras	Naila	
1AJ	Michelle	Nariah	Jolade	Anna	Romario
1HE	Nicole	Misbahu	Savannah	lonie	Afia
2PH	Tyler	Eden	Alana	Avianna	Nasir
2ER	Lyla	Elyes	Freya	Davena	Aidan

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week
3MR	Kallum	Zack	Mariam	Anniya
3GC	Mohamed	Jase	Malik	Nadira
4AB	Zaynab	Othniel	Izabella	Amy Jane
4EB	Izabella	Ben	Frankie	Tawiah
5BH	Maddie	Adrian	Francis	Meriem
5AA	5AA	Asly	Ibrahim	Hana
6MV	Tamarni	Cristalera	Saif	Jhesica
6CS	Suleyman	Annabel A	Abena	Aiden

This week's gem winners are	Sapphires
This week's treasure chest winners are	2ER 6MV

# **Attendance**

Class	Attendance
RCJ	93.16
1AJ	88.82
1HE	96.25
2PH	95.77
2ER	92.31
3MR	94.04
3GC	96.73
4AB	95.58
4EB	95.26
5BH	96.31
5AA	96.09
6MV	95.29
6CS	95.06
Whole school	94.72
School average (year)	94.4%
National average (year)	94.1%
School target	96%



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

1 <sup>st</sup>		
3GC 97.66%	2nd	
		3rd
	4EB 96.93%	
		4AB 96.01%

# Latest News

# KS2 SATs workshop

Melissa will be hosting a KS2 SATs workshop for parents/carers of children in year 6. This is to inform parents/carers of what to expect for their child/ren during the SATs week, tips on how to prepare as well as the opportunity for parents/carers to ask any questions. The workshop will take place in the Community Room from 9:10am:

Workshop	Date	Who for?
KS2 SATs workshop	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 parents

<u>Healthier packed lunches parent/carer food workshop - update from Jaime</u> We're thrilled to share the success of our recent Healthy Packed Lunch Workshop!

The children had a fantastic time engaging in hands-on activities, including making tzatziki and hummus from scratch, as well as crafting nutritious wraps filled with fresh ingredients. What made this event truly special was the involvement of parents/carers who joined their children in the cooking room to support the teaching around healthy food choices.

The workshop provided an opportunity to discuss our school's commitment to enhancing our new food policy. By prioritising healthier options in our lunch boxes, we aim to promote better outcomes for our children, ensuring they have the fuel they need to thrive both academically and physically.

Thank you to all of the parents/carers and children who attended, and to Michelle and Sabine (from Food School Matters) for leading the workshop.



# Neurodiversity Week - message from Lori

Neurodiversity Week takes place from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 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 focusing 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

Chris Packham to present second series of Inside Our Minds for BBC Two and iPlayer:

- > Chris Packham Inside Our Minds series
- Inside our autistic minds series

# A special school series:

A special school series

# <u>Year 1 - Baptism</u>

Being **progressive** and **respectful** are two important school values. Keyworth is an extremely diverse and inclusive school, where everyone is welcome. As such, it is really important that we learn about the similarities and differences within our school and the wider society.

# **Progressive**

We can be the change we want to see around us.

We nurture strong ethical values, integrity and a sense of social justice in our school community and teaching. We want our pupils to become independent thinkers, respectfully questioning convention, challenging inequality and finding their place as considerate individuals who will make a meaningful contribution to society.

# <u>Respectful</u>

We are respectful of each other's ideas, beliefs, backgrounds and practices.

We are considerate of the cultural identity and norms of the students and families we serve. Diversity, equality and inclusion are of great importance to us. We strive to support and educate children and adults to be sensitive to and respectful of diversity and put this into action through a socially aware curriculum and inclusive activities.

For their RE topic, the children in year 1 learnt about baptism and what this means to Christians.



### Keyworth Friends Easter treats sale

Keyworth Friends will be hosting an Easter treats sale on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. As mentioned previously, the only way the school can reduce costs for families in relation to trips and activities is by parents/carers actively supporting our fundraising efforts and initiatives. Please contact Keyworth Friends for further information:

### keyworthfriends@gmail.com



# School places available at Keyworth





If you are interested in applying, please email or call our school office for an application form.

keyworth@gemfed.co.uk

# Tel: 020 7735 1701

If you would like to find out more information about our school, including our bespoke curriculum, please follow the link below:



https:// www.thegemfederation.co.uk/ keyworth-primary/



Keyworth website

# "Who will help me knead the bread ...?"

This week Reception children have enjoyed learning about how bread is made, what ingredients you need and the process needed to make bread. They were amazed at how much their bread had risen and thoroughly enjoyed having their parents/carers in to help them bake. The bread was delicious!



### Gardening project

School Food Matters exists to teach children about food and to improve children's access to healthy, sustainable food during their time at school.

Welcome Sessions are fun, hands-on gardening workshops which help schools warmly welcome and integrate new children into their school community. Gardening has fantastic mental health and wellbeing benefits and is a great way to promote a sense of belonging and community spirit.

As part of this initiative, this week, two expert gardeners visited Keyworth to give a group of students the opportunity to explore nature in a fun and calm environment, connect with their new surroundings and learn new skills. These children were encouraged to bring along a buddy from their year group, helping them to build lasting friendships within our school community.

During this session, the children looked at a range of seeds, made their own newspaper plant pots and even had the chance to plant some beetroot seeds!

Further information about School Food Matters can be found by clicking on the link below:

# School Food Matters



# Comic Relief and Red Nose Day

Today we celebrated Comic Relief and Red Nose Day by dressing in red and telling each other jokes. Prepare yourself for uncontrollable belly laughs and hysterics when the jokes are shared in next week's newsletter...



# Support for families 1 - FREE cycling training

Children in Southwark can learn to cycle, free of charge, during the Easter holidays. Learn-toride sessions and group cycle training courses are at Burgess Park and Dulwich Park. Training is done in small groups with two fully qualified instructors. Further information can be found below:

# Cycle confident

### <u>Support for families 2 - swim</u> <u>courses for children</u>

Southwark are running a swim school for children at their leisure centres over the Easter holidays. The courses are perfect for beginners or to progress children's technique. Times and prices vary. Further information can be found below:

Southwark Easter swimming courses



## Support for families 3 - short breaks for families of children with SEND (EHCPs)

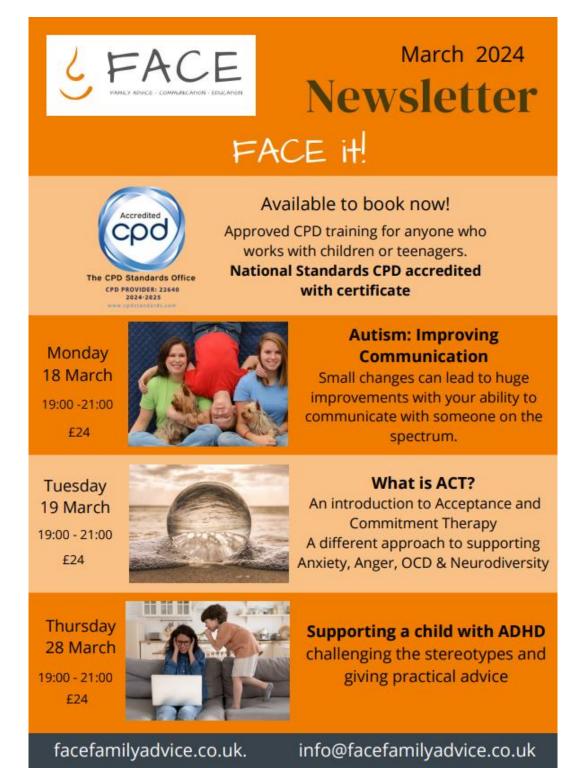
Click on the link below for a collection of short breaks funded by Southwark Council for children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities. These activities are intended for children and young people aged 5-19 with an EHCP who are unable to access universal provision, and start Easter 2024.

## Southwark short breaks

Additional activities for all Southwark residents can be found by clicking on the link below:

# Southwark local offer

# Support for families 4 - Family Advice Communication Education training



Support for families 5 - helping your child manage their fears and worries group



# Word of the Week

This week's *Word of the Week* is **mischief**. 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. **mischievous/mischievously**? Can they identify any synonyms or antonyms?

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

Previous	defensible, corresponded, exaggerated, recommended, determined, hinder,
words	accommodated, controversy, sacrifice, persuade, awkward, thorough,
	convenient, suggested, harassed, relevant, definite, category, curious,
	occurrence, conscious, familiar

I would like to wish you and your family a wonderful weekend!

Ray Capper Head of School