



# Keep Hatch Primary School



## Headteacher's Newsletter – 6 September 2024

### Calendar of Events

**Wed 18th Sept -**  
School  
Photographer -  
Individuals &  
siblings

**Wed 18th Sep -**  
Happy Bag  
collection

**Thurs 19th Sep -**  
National Fitness  
Day

### Reminders/Notices

**Application for free  
school meals:**

**Please come to the  
office if you haven't  
completed a free  
school meal  
application form but  
think you may be  
entitled.**

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**Year 6 - PGL:**

**Please make sure  
that all payments to  
date have been made  
- next payment due  
2nd October.**

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**Year 4 - Winchester  
Science Centre  
sleepover:**

**Please complete the  
online ParentMail  
Form & make  
payment of £69.75.**

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### **Welcome Back**

On behalf of the whole staff I would like to welcome each and every one of you back to Keep Hatch. Can I take this opportunity to extend a very warm welcome to our new Puffins and Sparrows, and to all children who have joined us this week in other year groups. I hope you all had a wonderful and restful break. It has been fantastic to welcome all our children back to school this week, and I am delighted to share how smoothly the first two days have gone. The children have settled remarkably well into their new classes, and our teachers have been incredibly impressed with how quickly they've adjusted to the new routines. We are so proud of all our children, who have begun the year with enthusiasm and resilience. Adjusting to new teachers and different routines can be challenging, but they have embraced these changes with maturity and a positive mindset. We are confident that this is the start of a very successful year ahead, and we look forward to seeing the wonderful progress they will make.

As we embark on this new school year, I would like to remind you of the new year information that has been sent out. Please take a moment to review the details, as they contain important updates and reminders. Additionally, we have attached the Parent Code of Conduct to this week's newsletter. This is an important document that outlines our expectations for maintaining a positive and respectful school community, which is essential for creating a supportive environment for all our children to thrive.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we can make this another fantastic year for all our children!

### **It's a Girl!**

Congratulations to Miss Smith and her partner on the safe arrival of their beautiful little girl, Aoife, who was born during the summer holidays. Wishing them a joyful and special time together as a new family of three.

### **Wedding Congratulations**

Congratulations to Mrs Connelly who got married over the summer break. We would like to wish the happy couple a lifetime of love and happiness together!

### **Communication with Staff**

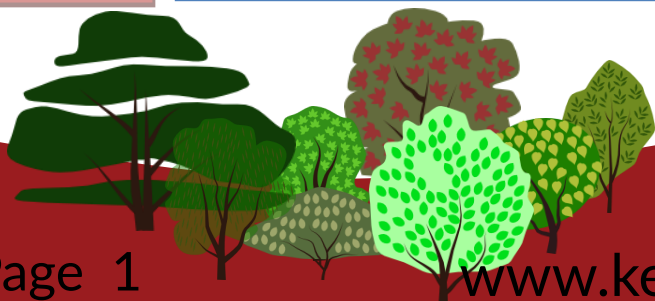
Communication with parents is very important to us and to working in partnership to support your children. It is easier at the end of the school day to have these conversations with class teachers, so please do feel you are able to talk to your child's teacher at pick up. Alternatively, please speak to a member of leadership who will be outside in the mornings, or arrange a time to speak with the class teacher via the school office.

### **ParentMail & Houses**

For all our new families, ParentMail should now be working. In order to activate your account, you will need to respond to a prompt that you will be sent via ParentMail asking you to connect. The primary contact will be the person who is added to receive correspondence. Should you wish the second contact to be added then please contact the office. Houses will be allocated in the next couple of weeks, so you will be able to order your child's house t shirt.

### **Welcome to our New Staff**

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to Mrs McKellar and Miss Davies who have both just joined our staff team as 1:1 Teaching Assistants.



Headteacher Mrs C Appleby  
Executive Headteacher Mr C Cole