



# Keep Hatch Primary School



## Headteacher's Newsletter – 15 November 2024

### Calendar of Events

**Mon 18th Nov** - Years 5/6 Girls Football Tournament at Loddon Primary - collection from Keep Hatch 1:15pm

**Wed 20th Nov** - Years 3 & 4 School Games Athletics competition, Maiden Erlegh School

**Wed 20th Nov** - Mixed Football match away v Holme Grange - collection from Keep Hatch 1:30pm

**Thurs 21st Nov** - Cross Country Competition - Lightwater - collection from Keep Hatch 12:30pm

**Thurs 21st Nov** - Sports Leader School Games Event -The Holt - collection from Keep Hatch 3:10pm

### Reminders/Notices

#### **Year 6 - PGL:**

Please make sure that all payments to date have been made - next payment due 2nd December  
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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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#### **Young Voices:**

Please make payment for the 2025 Young Voices pupil coach of £19.80.

Attendance

this year:

96%



### **Remembrance Day**

On Monday at 11am, our entire school community, from EYFS to Year 6, came together to observe a minute's silence in honour of Remembrance Day. The children learned about the significance of Remembrance Day, the symbolism of wearing poppies, and listened to famous poems such as "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae and "For the Fallen" by Laurence Binyon. The children demonstrated remarkable respect and reflection during the whole event and during the minute's silence; we were very proud of them all.

### **Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Sock Day**

This week, we celebrated our annual Anti-Bullying Week, which emphasised the importance of kindness and respect. On Tuesday, we celebrated Odd Socks Day, where children and staff wore mismatched socks to celebrate individuality and express that everyone is unique. The children also attended an assembly focused on the significance of Anti-Bullying Week, where they learned about the impact of bullying and the importance of standing up against it. Additionally, on Wednesday, we marked World Kindness Day, which tied in beautifully with our recent Kindness Challenge. It was wonderful to see the children participate in these valuable activities. Recognising and rewarding acts of kindness at Keep Hatch makes me feel very proud of our school.

### **Children in Need**

Today, we celebrated Children in Need Day, an event focused on raising funds and awareness for children in need across the UK. The children came to school wearing their own choice of clothes, many spotty clothes and some Children in Need merchandise! I would like to thank you to all families for your kind donations to this important charity. Together, we are helping to make a difference in the lives of children.

### **Visit from Seth Burkett**

Some of our Year 4 children were lucky enough to attend two football-themed writing workshops this week with Seth Burkett, who following a series of fortunate events when he was younger, was spotted by a football scout in Brazil at the age of 18. His first book, 'The Boy in Brazil' details a magical season spent playing professional football in Sorriso and it was shortlisted for Football Book of the Year at the 2016 British Sport Book Awards. Since that time, Seth has attended university; worked in advertising (working for clients such as Nike and Jaguar Land Rover) whilst still writing books. Seth has now written 14 books (many for children) and his passion is now inspiring young people to write with enjoyment. He now works full-time as an author, combining his writing with school visits and workshops. The children who participated said that they really enjoyed designing their own Nike football boot and creating the advertising campaign around its launch. Well done team!

### **Intra-house Competitions**

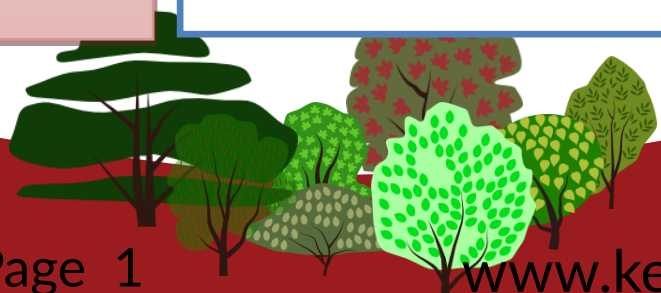
We are looking forward to our intra-house competitions which are taking place week commencing Monday 25th November. Please could children be reminded to wear their house t-shirts on their PE days, except Year 4 who will have their intra-house competition on Thursday 21st November.

### **Term Dates**

Please find attached the term dates for 2025/2026.

### **Caterlink**

Please find attached a Careers Fair poster.





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### Shout Out

Congratulations to Max T (Y4) for achieving his level 3, 4 & 5 in Ninja Knights. Well done Max!



<b>Puffins</b>	Maya H and Rosie S for amazing Little Red Hen learning and writing their names. Well done!
<b>Sparrows</b>	Eleanor for her super Maths learning using Numicon to solve missing number problems- well done!
<b>Blackbirds</b>	Felix for trying really hard to work more independently. Freya for an excellent effort when making her presentation.
<b>Robins</b>	Archie for amazing quick mental arithmetic.
<b>Kingfishers</b>	Albert for his focused independent story writing this week.
<b>Skylarks</b>	Ethan H for working really hard on his story writing! Layla for doing some super sewing.
<b>Cedar</b>	Wilbur for working hard in Maths. Well done and keep persevering!
<b>Rowan</b>	Brahmleen and Delilah for being kind and helpful, showing excellent learning behaviour and trying really hard in every lesson. Great effort, well done!
<b>Hazel</b>	Riyaan and Molly B for their enthusiasm and learning attitude in class.
<b>Sycamore</b>	Thomas for a real improvement in his focus and effort in Maths.
<b>Laurel</b>	Lily for always trying her best with all her work and for doing extra maths at home. Ethan for great teamwork and resilience at Oakwood - he represented Keep Hatch wonderfully.
<b>Maple</b>	Sebby for overcoming his fears and resilience at Oakwood this week. Well done Sebby!
<b>Mulberry</b>	Amalie for showing wonderful progress in her writing to produce a descriptive and emotional piece on 'The Highwayman'. Well done.
<b>Willow</b>	Dom for being so willing to work with adults to improve his work – particularly in writing and in our clay work this week.
<b>Headteacher's Awards</b>	Andrew (Y1) for being such a kind friend when another child was feeling sad. Freddie (Y1) for always being so polite with exceptional manners. Stephen (Y6) for being so kind.



### This week's top Times Table Rock Stars are:

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Cedar - Molly	Hazel - Liam W	Laurel - Simmi	Mulberry - Hamna
	Rowan - Noah B	Sycamore - Jack W	Maple - Oliver T	Willow - Arthur



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