



Keep Hatch Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter – 14 February 2025

Calendar of Events

17th Feb - 21st Feb - Half Term

Tues 25th Feb - Yr 5 Ufton Court

Wed 5th Mar - Yr 4 Sharing Assembly - 2:45pm Main Hall

Thurs 6th Mar - World Book Day

Reminders/Notices

Year 6 - PGL:

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

Year 5 - Ufton Court:

Please make payment of £26.75 - deadline was 3rd February

House token winners this half term:

Congratulations go to Armstrong who were our token winners this half term with 236 tokens.

Attendance

this year:

95.7%



Year 4 Winchester Sleepover

Excitement levels were high as many of our Year 4 students embarked on their journey to the Winchester Science Museum on Wednesday evening. Upon arrival, the children enjoyed their packed tea and eagerly explored the exhibits. The evening was capped off with hot chocolate and a chocolate biscuit. The children and staff then settled down for the night, creating their beds among the exhibits! In the morning, they began their day with a delicious breakfast, followed by a session in the planetarium before returning to school. I cannot express how proud I am of every child for their exceptional behaviour, which was recognized by, and highly praised by, the Winchester staff. I would like to say a very big thank you to the staff for giving up their own time to accompany the children. It was an amazing experience that I'm sure will be a lifelong memory for the children. Here are a few quotes from some of the children:

"The optical illusion room was great!"

"I loved the 'big/little' room - it was so much fun"

"My favourite bit was the bubbles - they were really satisfying!"

"Making up our own beds was so much fun. I loved the sleepover!"

Mixed and Girls Friendly Football Match

Both our Year 5/6 football teams played friendly matches against Floreat Primary on Monday afternoon. The girls team unfortunately lost but they played well together as a team. The boys team drew a 1 all draw. Amazing effort from both teams and it was great to see them play alongside each other. Well done.

Girls Y5/Y6 Football Match

The girl's year 5/6 football team played really well against St Paul's on Wednesday. They all showed hard work and determination. The score ended 6-1 but no one gave up and they all encouraged each other to keep going. Well done girls!

Non-Uniform Day

Thank you to all the families that have donated so far towards the new nature reserve area. Please see the link below if you would still wish to donate. Thank you in advance to the PA members for giving up their time during half term to work on the new nature reserve area. We look forward to seeing the changes when we return after half term. **Please donate using the link:** https://www.gofundme.com/f/memorial-for-miss-mullar-and-pond-equipment?attribution_id=sl:6d5823a5-aa94-4259-9b0c-59ac9a686ccb&lang=en_GB&utm_campaign=fp_sharesheet&utm_medium=customer&utm_source=copy_link

Y2 Sharing Assembly

Well done to Year 2 their fabulous sharing assembly this week. Thank you for sharing your exciting learning experiences with us. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm and hard work that went into your assembly. Thank you to families for coming along to watch.

Get Ready for World Book Day on March 6th!

We are excited to announce that this year's World Book Day celebration is just around the corner, taking place on Thursday March 6th. This annual event is a fantastic opportunity for our children to celebrate the joy of reading and immerse themselves in the wonderful world of books. Our theme for this year's World Book Day is "Cosy or Costume," giving children the option to come dressed as their favourite book character or in their comfy pyjamas. We encourage children to bring along the book that their chosen character appears in or their favourite bedtime read, creating an opportunity for them to share and discuss their love for books with their class. (Please do make sure any books brought in are named!) The day will be filled with exciting activities and opportunities for our children to engage with books in various ways. We'll be sharing more information about these activities and competitions soon.

NSPCC Number Day

Thank you very much for your ongoing support last week, for Number Day. The children (& staff) all looked amazing in their number outfits and we managed to raise £295 for the NSPCC.

Intra-house competition

Last week, all years took part in the gymnastics intra-house competition. EYFS-Year 4 showcased their knowledge of shapes and balances using different equipment, while Years 5 and 6 were scored on vault, springboard, tumble and beam performances. Everyone performed incredibly and we are so impressed with your gymnastic skills! A special thank you to the Year 5 and 6 children that helped to run the sessions- you were supportive, kind and helpful as always! Head to the school Facebook or website if you would like to see some pictures or read comments about the event. After much anticipation, the results are in:

4th- Peake 3rd- Sharman 2nd- Jemison 1st- Armstrong!

Hatchercise and Active at Home!

Well done to both Year 6 classes, Willow and Mulberry, for earning their Silver Award for 50 Hatchercise sessions! Another big congratulations to both EYFS classes, Puffins and Sparrows, and both Year 1 classes, Blackbirds and Robins, for earning their Gold Award for 75 Hatchercise sessions. Well done for an active first term! Please keep your Hatchercise going throughout half term, and remember to bring in a picture of your activities for our Active at Home display!

Wishing all of our families a wonderful half term and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 24th February.

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Puffins	Aleida for super learning in phonics and maths and being kind to others, well done!
Sparrows	Sophia for showing excellent confidence with her Numicon knowledge, and for always lending a helping hand to others- well done!
Blackbirds	Adam for speedy mental maths and for thinking through mathematical problems methodically. Well done!
Robins	Teddy for creating a bright and colourful beautifully presented Chinese dragon. All of Year 2 for their super sharing assembly this week! We are very proud of all the fantastic learning that has happened this term! Well done all!
Kingfishers	All of Year 2 for their super sharing assembly this week! We are very proud of all the fantastic learning that has happened this term! Well done all!
Skylarks	
Cedar	Lincoln for his infectious enthusiasm for the exciting events , that took place in Y3 these past two weeks , and for his efforts in writing. Well done!
Rowan	Nyomi for working hard with her handwriting, showing great effort and knowledge in science. Well done!
Hazel	All the children in Year 4 for the excellent learning attitude, resilience and team work during our overnight stay at the Winchester Science Museum. All the adults were super pleased with how well you represented the Keep Hatch School Values. Well done Year 4 - a great way to end the term!
Sycamore	
Laurel	Oliver W for confident sharing of his ideas and answers in class.
Maple	Ollie for working hard to improve his handwriting. Well done! Owen for doing extra writing practise at home by writing letters to grandparents. Well done!
Mulberry	Flo- for working hard across the curriculum and especially her application in building sentences and creating a lovely calligram in French.
Willow	Hayden for his determination to make progress across the curriculum but especially in English writing this week. Well done.
Headteacher's Award	To all of our wonderful Play Leaders who have been supporting our younger children in a Monday lunchtime activity club: Thomas B, Noah H, Charlie D, Flo R, Isie R, Nevaeh H, Liv Y, Rebecca H, Olivia HW, Sophia H, Alyssa C, Harry W.



This week's top Times Table

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Kingfishers - Oscar	Cedar- James W	Hazel- Kyle	Laurel - Ava	Willow- Sophia
Skylarks – Jayson	Rowan- Noah B	Sycamore- Bonnie	Maple – Oliver T	Mulberry - Lacie-Anne



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