



Keep Hatch Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter – 7 March 2025

Calendar of Events

Mon 10th Mar - Yr 5 - Visit from Wokingham Fire Service

10th - 14th Mar - Intra House competitions

Tues 11th Mar - Yr 5 Sharing Assembly - 2:45pm Main Hall

Wed 12th Mar - New Age Kurling Competition, Bohunt School

Fri 14th Mar - Yr 3/4 Football Tournament - Cantley Park - 9:00am

Reminders/Notices

Year 6 - PGL:

Please make sure that all payments to date have been made - next payment due 3rd April ***

Allianz Stadium, Twickenham - Family Traveller Live:

Please see attached flyer ***

Funtastic Easter Holiday Camps:

Please see attached flyer ***

Attendance

this year:

95.7%



Ramadan

This week, we were fortunate to have Laila in in Year 5 leading the KS1 and KS2 assemblies all about Ramadan. Laila explained that Ramadan is a holy month in the Muslim religion, dedicated to fasting, prayer and reflection. She also talked about the increased opportunities to read the Qur'an and the importance of helping others during this time. It was really special of the children to hear firsthand about the experiences and traditions associated with this important time. Thank you so much, Laila.

I would also like to thank Miss Amin, who shared her own personal traditions and experiences of fasting during Ramadan. It was lovely to see many hands raised from other children who are also celebrating Ramadan in their homes, and the many questions asked from other children during the assemblies.

Y4 Sharing Assembly

Well done to our Year 4 children for a fabulous sharing assembly this week! It was wonderful to see all the amazing work you've been doing in your classroom and your singing at the end was absolutely fantastic. A big thank you to all the families for coming along to support the children.

World Book Day

What an amazing World Book Day we had this year! It was wonderful to see so many children dressed up as their favourite book characters, bringing stories to life and spreading excitement across the school. One of the highlights was our *Create a Potato Character* competition. The entries were absolutely fantastic, and winners will be announced next week—everyone put in so much effort!

This year, we introduced something new—the *Starbooks Café*. It was a hit with the children, who loved the idea of "tasting" a range of books. They could explore different genres, discover new stories, and share their thoughts with friends over a cup of "book-themed" treats. There was such a buzz around the school, with students excitedly talking about their favourite books and characters.

A special thank you to all the parents who came to our end-of-day KS1 *Reading for Pleasure* story time. It was lovely to see so many of you joining in and sharing the magic of reading with the children. We also want to say thank you to all our parents and carers for creating the costumes and continuing to support your children with their reading journey—we really appreciate it. It was a day filled with joy, imagination, creativity and a shared love for reading. We can't wait for next year's celebration!

I would like to thank Mrs Wesley, our reading leader, for all the preparation that went into such a fun-filled day for the children.

Parents' Evenings - Mon 24th and Wed 26th March

Parents will be able to book their Parents' Evening slots online from 4:15pm on Monday 10th March. Please follow the link that will be emailed to on Monday to book your appointments. We look forward to welcoming you into school. Please do take the opportunity to visit your child's classroom during the evening and look at the more recent work in their books.

Easter Holiday Course

This Easter, Perform is offering a magical holiday course at **Wokingham Methodist Church Hall** suitable for 4-10 year olds. Running from **7th-9th April** (10am–3pm), children will explore the timeless story of Snow White - complete with a jealous Queen, a heroic Huntsman and enchanting woodland friends. Through drama, dance and singing, they'll build in confidence and develop creativity, all whilst having lots of fun. At the end of the course, parents will enjoy a special performance where the children bring the fairy tale to life. It's a fantastic opportunity for young imaginations to flourish during the school holidays. Find out more at perform.org.uk/snowwhite.

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

Did you know?

- ◆ 10 minutes late to school each day = 6 days of lost learning per year
- ◆ 5 minutes late to school each day = 3 days of lost learning per year
- ◆ Attendance below 90% = Higher risk of academic struggles and dropout



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Puffins	Rudi for always demonstrating the school values and being a kind Puffin. Ayan for taking good care of his friend.
Sparrows	Ivy, Camden and Arielle for being such kind friends this week. You have really impressed the adults with how caring you have been - well done.
Blackbirds	Felix for working so hard on his Starry Night picture by Van Gogh.
Robins	Amelia and Ivie Marie for producing fantastic versions of Van Gogh's Starry Night.
Kingfishers	Hughie for showing such great enthusiasm during World Book Day activities this week and for writing a fabulous letter to persuade the Year 2 glue sticks to come back to the classroom! Well done Hughie!
Skylarks	Charlie F for working really hard on improving his writing and handwriting this week! Keep it up!
Cedar	Max J-B for efforts in maths and in his independent writing. Well done.
Rowan	Ruben for using his imagination and writing an amazing story in English lesson. Well done Ruben!
Hazel	A huge well done to all of Year 4 for their excellent performance in our assembly. You all worked hard to learn your lines and present to your parents. Well done!
Sycamore	
Laurel	Lily for some beautiful writing this week using amazing figurative language.
Maple	Lexi for her amazing work in English this week! She has been asking and responding to feedback to improve her writing and really trying to follow the structure of the writing.
Mulberry	Flo for showing leadership skills and enthusiasm in our dance sessions. Alfie for really pushing himself to attempt more arithmetic questions and for starting to believe in himself.
Willow	Mia for really pushing herself in arithmetic – some great scores recently.
Headteacher's Awards	Laila (Y5) for delivering a fantastic assembly to all children in the school about Ramadan.



This week's top Times Table Rock Stars are:

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Kingfishers - Oscar	Cedar - Noah W	Hazel - Grace E	Laurel - Ava	Mulberry - SATs practice
Skylarks - Hayden	Rowan - Noah B	Sycamore - Bonnie S	Maple - Oliver T	Willow - SATs practice



Headteacher Mrs C Appleby
Executive Headteacher Mr C Cole