



Keep Hatch Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter – 2 May 2025

Calendar of Events

Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday - School closed

Wed 7th May - World Asthma Day

Wed 7th May - Class photos & Year 6 Individual photos

Thurs 8th May - Class photos & Year 6 Individual photos (Back up day)

Thurs 8th May - School Discos -
Yr R - 3:20pm - 4:15pm
Yrs 1 - 3 - 4:30pm - 5:45pm
Yrs 4 - 6 - 6:00pm - 7:15pm

Reminders/Notices

Year 6 - PGL:
Please make sure that all payments to date have been made - last payment due 3rd May

Year 6 - PGL:
A reminder to complete the online EV2 & Calpol permission form by Friday 9th May

Funtastic Kids:
Please see attached flyer for wrap around care with new information & pricing.

Funtastic Kids:
Please find attached May half term flyer

Attendance
this year:
95.5%



Thought for the Week: 'Explain and talk about your big, tricky feelings instead of showing them and you will find a solution'

This week's assembly focused on understanding and managing big feelings. We explored how emotions like anger, fear, and sadness can affect us, and discussed the 'freeze, flight, or fight' response. Children learned strategies to recognise these feelings and respond in healthy ways. In our KS2 assembly, the children all practiced techniques such as noticing things around us in the room, being aware of where we are seated and what we can sense, wiggling our toes, clenching our fists, and taking deep breaths. The children were, as always, amazing with their responses to our story, and I hope some of the exercises we tried will support them when they encounter difficulties.

Music Soirée

On Wednesday evening, we were treated to an amazing display of talent at our annual Music Soirée. This event has been a tradition at Keep Hatch for many years and is one of the highlights of the year, where children get to share their incredible musical talents. The performances were fabulous, showcasing the very talented children we have at our school. We were blown away by their confidence and the great range of performances, including piano, violin, guitar, drums, and voice. A special thank you to Mrs. Cartwright for all her hard work and organization to allow the event to take place, and to the children for their dedication. We also extend our thanks to all parents for their ongoing support.

Thurs 8th May

As you will be aware, next Thursday (8th May) marks the 80th anniversary of VE Day. We will be commemorating this significant event in classes and during an assembly. Children should come to school in their normal school uniform.

On the same day, the PA are hosting school discos. Please refer to the timings in the 'Calendar of Events'. As the EYFS disco begins straight after school, EYFS children only (whether they are attending the disco or not) are allowed to come to school in their own clothes for the day.

Years 1 – 6 Pencil Cases and other Equipment

Please check that your child's pencil cases have sufficient equipment (stated below) **particularly glue sticks as the school is limited on supply.**

- HB writing pencils
- Pencil sharpener
- Rubber
- Set of colouring pencils
- Glue stick
- Short ruler
- Blue handwriting pen (but not a biro) for children issued with a handwriting license
- Purple biro (optional)
- Whiteboard pen
- Blunt ended scissors (optional)

Girls' Football Tournament Last Friday

Last Friday, a number of girls from Years 3 to 6 went to St Crispin's to participate in an interschool tournament. We were thrilled with the efforts from our two teams. The Year 5/6 team won all but one game and our Year 3/4 team won all their games. What a fantastic outcome—we are just now waiting to hear the official results from the organisers!

Bookwork Bulletin Summer 1 # 2

Please take a look at this week's Bookwork Bulletin (attached).

Happy Bank Holiday

We hope all our families have a fantastic bank holiday weekend. Let's keep our fingers crossed for continued sunny weather! We look forward to welcoming children back to school on Tuesday 6th May.



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Puffins	Rosie B for always being a helpful and hardworking Puffin. Super reading and writing this week too. Well done!
Sparrows	Mila for being such a wonderful Sparrow and friend, and for always working so hard. We are so proud of you!
Blackbirds	Daphne for showing resilience in computing this week and problem solving.
Robins	Penny for being excellent at spotting common and proper nouns.
Kingfishers	Neeva for fantastic contributions during talk activities. Well done, keep it up!
Skylarks	Hayden and Nancy for always working hard and for challenging themselves with their learning!
Cedar	Zach and Matilda for keeping up with (and recording) their reading. Well done.
Rowan	Lilah her enthusiastic participation in our DT lesson and creating an amazing stitching pattern.
Hazel	Grace for welcoming a new child into a class, truly showing our school values. Thank you for your kindness!
Sycamore	Matilda for trying hard in all lessons, but in particular with writing and times tables this week.
Laurel	Tibby for showing excellent technique and determination whilst doing high jump in PE this week.
Maple	Olly and Sebby for being good work partners and always being ready to learn.
Mulberry	Paige for a much-improved effort in class resulting in some lovely work.
Willow	Mitchell and Emmie for great efforts in preparation for SATs.
Headteacher's Awards	Soiree performers: Isie, Edie, Eunice, Sheryl, Yannis, Alex, Rowan, Charlie, Scarlett, Chloe, Simmi, Ruben, Doris, Elva, Yee Huen, Eleanor and Isla. Well done to you all!

This week's top Times Table Rock Stars are:



Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Kingfishers: Edith	Cedar: Chloe	Hazel: Kyle	Laurel: Ava	
Skylarks: Jayson	Rowan: Noah	Sycamore: Emma	Maple: Abi	

Headteacher Mrs C Appleby
Executive Headteacher Mr C Cole