



### Calendar of Events

Tues 10th Jan  
Y6 - Height & Weight  
Measurements

Thurs 19th Jan  
Census Day

Thur 26th Jan  
YR - Vision Screening

### Reminders/ Notices

#### No Parent Cars On Site:

**This is a reminder to all parents that no cars should be driven on-site between 8.00am and 5.15pm unless prior arrangements have been made or you are collecting a sick child. Parents dropping off/collecting from Funtastic Kids may park on-site between 7.30-8.00am and after 5.15pm. Outside of these times you should find alternative parking off-site, as should parents collecting children from any other after school clubs. Thank you.**



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### Happy New Year

Happy New Year to all our Keep Hatch families and friends. I hope you had a restful break and enjoyed some quality time with close ones. It is always exciting to welcome the children back at the start of a new term and especially at the start of a fresh new year. It is the perfect time to establish new targets and goals. On Wednesday, in our welcome back assembly, the children were reflecting on our school values and shared how they had demonstrated these over the school holidays. Some responses included *"I was so happy when I was opening my Christmas presents because I could see how happy it made the person who gave it to me"*, *"I was very respectful when I received a gift I already had as I didn't want to upset anybody"* and *"I played on my drum kit in front of my whole family and it took a lot of confidence!"* It was so great to hear that the children were demonstrating these important Keep Hatch values outside of school. In addition, the children were thinking about and discussing new year's resolutions. Perhaps they may have shared these with you at home too? We were discussing what the children could set as a personal goal but also how they can continue to help and support others in our school community, and outside of school. This was such a fabulous start to our new term as the children - as always - gave such fabulous responses. It's been a pleasure walking around the school at different times this week and seeing children so settled and focussed on their learning.

### House Tokens

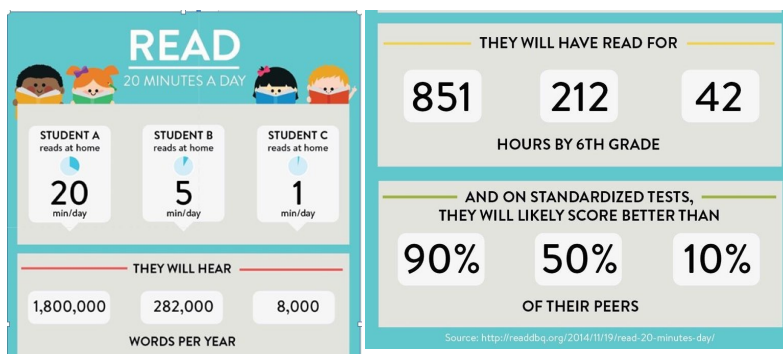
Well done to Jemison house who were our house token winners from Autumn Term 2, with a grand total of 226 tokens! It is wonderful to see children feeling so proud to add tokens to their house total during the week—the piles have already started to grow again. I wonder who will be the winner this half term?

### Thank you

I must say a really big thank you to a number of our school families who kindly collected donations within their local communities from their wonderful Christmas lights outside their homes. This initiative was organised by the Parents' Association over the Christmas period and we have learnt today that this raised an incredible £529.67. We understand that there is still some potential fund matching to come too so this figure could increase again!

### Reading, Reading, Reading!

As we start a new calendar year, it's a great time to re-establish or improve good reading habits at home with your children. All the staff know how much our Keep Hatch children enjoy reading in school but we also know how valuable it is for our children to read themselves or be read to by another person when they are at home! Take a look at the research statistics for 20 minutes reading a day at any age! Imagine what the impact could then be if your child read for 30 minutes a day or even more! so that you can see how incredibly valuable it is to engage in reading as often and as much as possible...





# Keep Hatch Primary School



## Headteacher's Newsletter – 6 January 2023

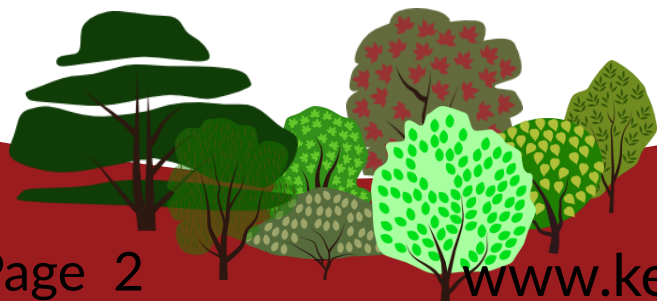
### Celebration Assembly Special Mentions

<b>Blackbirds</b>	Cameron for a superb start to the term, and his fantastic effort during English this week.
<b>Robins</b>	Cole for being able to explain his reasoning in maths brilliantly.
<b>Skylarks</b>	Jerald for showing excellent focus when creating his still-life artwork.
<b>Kingfishers</b>	Emily and Grace for ALWAYS showing their school values, perseverance and trying their best.
<b>Cedar</b>	Isla for working super hard in English this week and for confidently explaining her writing ideas with the rest of the class
<b>Rowan</b>	Eleanor and Henry for showing a huge level of engagement with our new class reader by working together to make their own inventions at home.
<b>Hazel</b>	Elvis and Kane, for being independent, resilient and showing excellent effort in every lesson and working hard with their handwriting.
<b>Sycamore</b>	Hayden for working really hard, especially when writing a letter in English and when learning about solids, liquids and gases in science
<b>Laurel</b>	Eytan, Grace and Caidan for working hard on their handwriting and getting their pen licenses.
<b>Maple</b>	Ella for always working hard in every lesson, being a great role model, challenging herself and being happy to help others with their work.
<b>Elm</b>	Kianna for always trying her best more recently pushing herself out of her comfort zone and challenging herself further. Kianna has been a reading expert over the Christmas period which has led her to complete about 8 novels.
<b>Willow</b>	Chloe for an excellent start to the new term – especially challenging herself in Maths.
<b>Mulberry</b>	Ruby, for an excellent start to the year, particularly in her writing effort.
<b>Oak</b>	Riley, for his enthusiastic input into Eco Ambassador meetings
<b>Headteacher's Award</b>	James W (Y1) for beautiful manners and wishing Mrs Appleby a Happy New Year when she was visiting Y1 this week.

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



Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
	Hazel - Yee Huen	Maple- Nathan C Elm- Mason	Willow - Mark Oak - Indy
	Sycamore -	Laurel- Ross	Mulberry - Ella B



Headteacher Mrs C Appleby  
Executive Headteacher Mr C Cole