



Keep Hatch Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter – 8 November 2024

Calendar of Events

11th - 15th Nov - Anti Bullying week

Mon 11th Nov - Parents' Evening - 3:50pm - 6:30pm

Tues 12th Nov - Odd Sock Day

Wed 13th Nov - Parents' Evening - 3:50pm - 6:30pm

Fri 15th Nov - Children in Need

Reminders/Notices

Year 6 - PGL:

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

Year 4 - Winchester Science Centre

sleepover:

Please complete the online ParentMail Form & make payment of £69.75

Young Voices:

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

Attendance

this year:

95.9%



Diwali

This week, the children learned about the festival of Diwali in our assemblies. It was wonderful to hear some of the children share their own experiences and stories about the celebrations. Diwali, also known as the Festival of Lights, is a time for joy, reflection, and community. The children enjoyed learning about the significance of the festival, including the lighting of Diya's, the exchange of gifts, and the delicious foods associated with the celebrations.

Kindness Challenge

We have been overwhelmed with the fantastic response we have had to the Kindness Challenge. We are so proud of the many children who participated, and it was a pleasure to read about all the lovely acts of kindness that have been taking place. Well done to everyone who took part! Hatchies and tokens will be presented to the children in due course.

Parents' Evenings

We would like to extend our thanks for your patience and understanding during this week's technical difficulties with the parents' evening sign-ups. We are excited to welcome families into the school next week to celebrate the successes of your children's first term. Please remember to allow some time before or after your appointment to look around the classrooms. If you have one of the later appointments, we kindly ask that you visit the classes first to ensure a prompt lock-up. We look forward to seeing you all and sharing in your children's achievements.

Next Week Reminders

We have an exciting week planned next week and wanted to remind you of the key dates. On Monday at 11am, we will hold a whole school Remembrance Assembly where we will listen to the Last Post and some well-known poems and literature to honour those who have served and to teach children about why this day is important. Please note, this is an in-school event only. On Tuesday, we will launch Anti-Bullying Week with Odd Socks Day. Please remember to add some wild and wonderful socks to your child's outfit (normal school uniform) to celebrate our differences and show pride in our uniqueness. Finally, on Friday, we will be supporting Children in Need. Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform, wearing anything spotty or any Pudsey Bear merchandise if they wish. A donations page has been set up on ParentPay for contributions to Children in Need. Thank you for your support and participation in these important events.

Cross Country Competition – Cantley Park

Well done to the children for completing their first cross country competition of the season at Cantley Park on Thursday 24th October. The weather was kind to us this year! All the children behaved brilliantly and cheered each other on. Now for the results- we came in 9th place out of 12 schools. A brilliant start to the season. Well done to all the team, we are very proud of you. Also, a huge thank you to the staff and parents who walked the children to Cantley Park, we couldn't attend these events without you. Thank you to the parents who helped marshal the funnel, hand out the results tickets and wrote up our results. We look forward to our next competition at Lightwater on Thursday 21st November.

Social Cog

At Keep Hatch in PE, we aim to strengthen six areas of a child's learning, which are called cogs. If the cogs are all turning together children will be confident and happy learners. Each term, we focus on a different cog. This term, we will be focusing on the social cog. The cogs work in all subjects of the curriculum as well as PE, for example, sharing feedback to a peer in writing, demonstrating sharing/turn taking skills with equipment in Art and Design, working as a team to create a piece of music or listening to and sharing ideas to create a dance sequence. For more information please see the website in the Real PE and sports section.

Harvest Donations

Please see attached flyer.

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Puffins	Waleed for super learning in phonics and being a very helpful Puffin. Well done!
Sparrows	Arnav for being a wonderful Sparrow! He always follows instructions, helps others and is super helpful during tidy up time- well done!
Blackbirds	Winnie for creating a wonderful picture in the style of Paul Klee.
Robins	Andrew for being a superstar! He has been trying very hard with all his learning, especially phonics.
Kingfishers	Georgie O and Zach for demonstrating great understanding when recalling the events of The Gunpowder Plot in History this week. Well done Georgie and Zach!
Skylarks	Jayson for working hard on his writing even when he finds it tricky! Well done!
Cedar	Miles for a super effort in writing and maths this week , and for being so polite. Well done!
Rowan	Lola for writing an amazing poem in English; and Kyla Rae for working hard and showing great effort in Maths. Well done!
Hazel	Eli and Runako for their excellent performance in English this week. They really embodied the role of Roman politicians debating.
Sycamore	Dolcie for a fantastic improvement in her focus and effort this week.
Laurel	Owen for using some really lovely figurative language in his poetry this week.
Maple	Thomas for always demonstrating excellent manners.
Mulberry	Max for some wonderful contributions to class discussions. What a super geographer you
Willow	Sienna Rose for her extra efforts to make greater progress in Maths.
Headteacher's Awards	Ava G & Heidi (Y5) for a lovely act of kindness towards a member of staff. Jayson (Y2) and Freya (Y5) for going above and beyond with their acts of kindness for the kindness challenge. Everly (Y4) for being so thoughtful and kind towards another pupil.



This week's top Times Table Rock Stars are:

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Cedar - Harry P	Hazel - Molly B	Laurel - Isla P	Mulberry - Charlie
	Rowan - Noah B	Sycamore - Jack S	Maple - Oliver T	Willow - Hayden



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