



# Keep Hatch Primary School



## Headteacher's Newsletter – 7 November 2025

### Calendar of Events

10th - 14th Nov - Anti-Bullying week

10th - 14th Nov - Intra-house ball skills

Mon 10th Nov - Parents' Evening - 3:50pm - 6:30pm

Mon 10th Nov - Odd Sock Day

Wed 12th Nov - Parents' Evening - 3:50pm - 6:30pm

Fri 14th Nov - Children in Need (non-uniform day)

### Reminders/Notices

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#### Year 6 - PGL:

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

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#### Young Voices 2026:

Payment to be made for the pupil coach on ParentPay and please urgently complete the ParentMail Form for the parent coach.

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Attendance this year:

94.7%



### Welcome Back

We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half-term break. It's been lovely to see the children return to school with focus and enthusiasm - they've settled back into the new term very well. As we head into the second half of the autumn term, we're looking forward to the festive season and all the exciting events that come with it. Christmas events and key dates have already been circulated, so please do make sure to save them in your diaries. We're excited for everything this term has in store!

### Parents' Evenings

We're looking forward to welcoming you to our Parents' Evenings, which will be taking place on Monday and Wednesday next week in the main hall. To help the evenings run smoothly, please be mindful that appointments are limited to 10 minutes. This ensures that all families have their allocated time and that we stay on schedule. We kindly ask that you arrive promptly for your appointment. Before or after your meeting, you are warmly encouraged to explore your child's classroom to see some of the wonderful work they've been doing this term.

### Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week, taking place from Monday 10th to Friday 14th November, and this year's theme is "Power for Good". The theme encourages children to recognise the positive impact they can have by speaking up, supporting one another, and helping to create a kind and inclusive school environment.

We will be launching the week with Odd Socks Day on Monday, a fun and symbolic way to celebrate individuality and show that it's okay to be different. Children are invited to wear odd socks to school to help raise awareness and start conversations about respect, acceptance, and standing up against bullying.



### Children in Need

Next Friday is BBC Children in Need Day, and we're excited to be taking part in this important event that helps support children and young people across the UK. This year's theme is "Challenge Yourself to 25", encouraging children to take on fun and meaningful challenges based around the number 25 - such as 25 acts of kindness or 25 minutes of reading - to raise awareness and funds for those in need.

To mark the day, we will be holding a non-uniform day. Children are invited to come to school dressed in bright colours, Pudsey-themed outfits, or something spotty to celebrate the occasion. 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.

### Farewell to Mrs Wenstrom

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Wenstrom, who has decided to move on from Keep Hatch. Mrs Wenstrom has been a valued member of our team for the past four years, and we are incredibly grateful for the dedication and care she has given to the many children she has supported during her time with us. She will be greatly missed by children and staff. We wish her all the very best for the future and thank her for everything she has done.

### Babybels

We have noticed that the wax from Babybel cheeses is being dropped and ingrained into the dining hall floor and carpets. To help us keep the school clean, please could we ask parents to peel the Babybel at home and dispose of the wax before packing in your child's lunchbox. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Amazon Wish List

To help cover essential supplies that our budget can't stretch to, we'll be sharing our Amazon Wishlist weekly. If you're able to support, simply choose an item, purchase through your account, and have it delivered to school. If there's an option to add a gift message, please do - it helps us know who to thank. We are hugely grateful for anything you can contribute. Thank you.



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<b>Puffins</b>	Jackson for his super acting out of the Little Red Hen story. He took on the role with confidence and even changed his voice to suit the character! Well done, Jackson!
<b>Sparrows</b>	Archie for having an amazing week! Well done for your brilliant focus and writing in Phonics, and for following all instructions and routines with great effort! Well done.
<b>Blackbirds</b>	Bodhi and Ayan for trying super hard to write their own sentences!
<b>Robins</b>	Theo for creating a bright and colourful firework picture.
<b>Kingfishers</b>	Georgia for great sewing skills this week.
<b>Skylarks</b>	Vihaan for showing super sewing skills when making his poppy. Ahmad for settling really well into Keep Hatch life and showing super Keep Hatch values already!
<b>Cedar</b>	Nancy for a consistent, super effort in writing. Well done.
<b>Rowan</b>	James for consistently demonstrating our school's core values: respect, resilience, and happiness. Well done!
<b>Hazel</b>	Ruben and Daisy for their fantastic thinking and explaining in maths.
<b>Sycamore</b>	Maisie for being a kind classmate, and for some fantastic descriptive writing in English.
<b>Laurel</b>	Jayden for showing great agility and skill in PE this week.
<b>Maple</b>	Emma for her fantastic use of descriptive techniques in her firework poem this week.
<b>Mulberry</b>	Heidi for demonstrating the school values in her approach to learning and her kindness and thoughtfulness towards others. Leo for his concentration, patience and attention to detail when creating his intricate lizard eye design.
<b>Willow</b>	Owen for going the extra mile and doing a project on unusual animals at home and Laila for taking on responsibility in a very mature way.
<b>Headteacher's Awards</b>	Henry B, Harry J and Freya and for being excellent Y6 ambassadors for our recent prospective parent tour.

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



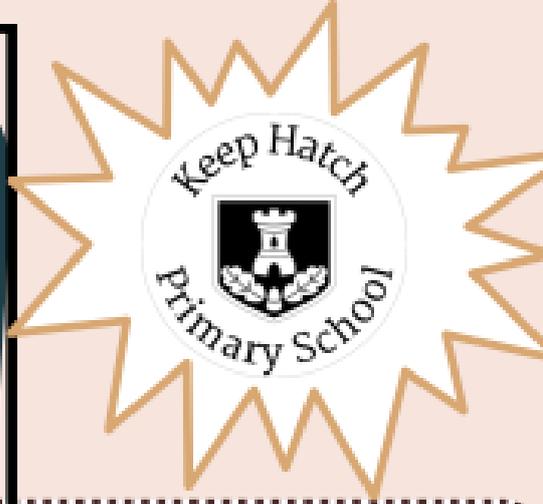
Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Kingfishers:	Cedar: Jim	Hazel: Scarlett	Laurel: Kyle	Mulberry: Simmi
Skylarks:	Rowan: Amelia	Sycamore: Joseph	Maple: Runako	Willow: Abi



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# BOOKWORM BULLETIN



**AUTUMN TERM EDITION  
#9**

**YOUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ABOUT ALL THINGS READING**



**KS2**  
WICKEDLY FUNNY, DEEPLY EMOTIONAL, AND SHARPLY INCISIVE, SCARLET MORNING IS A TALE OF LOVE, BETRAYAL, AND THE EXTRAORDINARY LENGTHS WE'D GO TO SAVE A WORLD BROKEN BEYOND REPAIR.

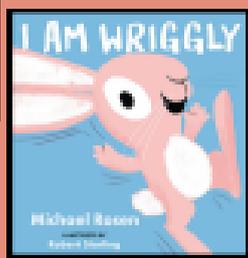
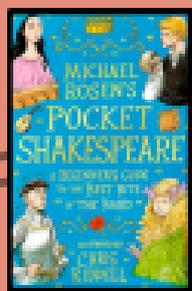
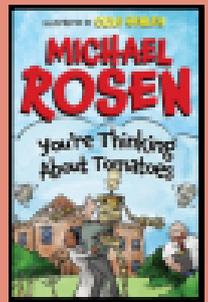
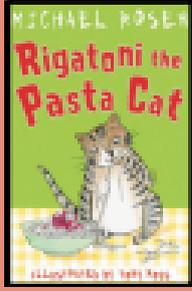
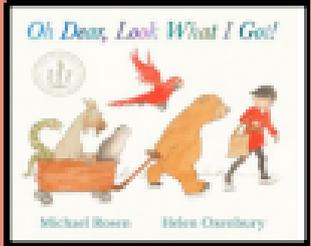
**NEW RELEASE BOOKSHELF**

A WICKEDLY FUNNY AND PRANK-FILLED ADVENTURE STARRING ONE OF ROALD DAHL'S MOST HILARIOUS AND POPULAR CREATIONS, THE TWITS.



**KS1**

**SOME WONDERFUL MICHAEL ROSEN BOOKS TO EXPLORE**



**THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER IS MICHAEL ROSEN DAY**

**MICHAEL'S MANIFESTO FOR READING**

- READ AS MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF BOOKS AS YOU CAN – BOOKS GIVE YOU LANGUAGE, THOUGHTS, IDEAS AND FEELINGS.
- BOOKS SHOW YOU PLACES AND CULTURES VERY NEAR AND DEAR TO YOU – AND OTHERS YOU MAY NOT HAVE COME ACROSS BEFORE. BOOKS CAN TAKE YOU ANYWHERE.
- BOOKS HELP YOU TO WALK IN OTHER PEOPLE'S SHOES, AND TO SEE THINGS FROM SOMEONE ELSE'S POINT OF VIEW.
- READ BOOKS, SHARE BOOKS, TALK ABOUT BOOKS AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, CHOOSE WHAT YOU WANT TO READ. IT'S YOUR IMAGINATION, SO CHOOSE WHAT YOU WANT TO FEED IT.
- BOOKS ARE FOR EVERYONE!



MICHAEL ROSEN IS A MULTI-AWARD-WINNING POET, A POPULAR RADIO BROADCASTER, DISTINGUISHED CRITIC AND ACADEMIC, AND ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR AUTHORS FOR CHILDREN. HE HAS WRITTEN OVER 200 BOOKS IN A CAREER SPANNING OVER FIVE DECADES, AND HIS POEMS, ABOUT FAMILY LIFE, CHILDHOOD AND A GOOD DEAL OF SILLINESS, HAVE REACHED MILLIONS THROUGH HIS EXUBERANT ONLINE READINGS.

