



Keep Hatch Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter – 19 December 2025

Calendar of Events

Mon 5th Jan - Start of pupil term

Tues 13th Jan - Happy Bag collection (please bring your bags to school in the morning and place them by the bike shelter)

Thurs 15th Jan - Census Day

Reminders/Notices

Year 6 - PGL:

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

Young Voices 2026:

Payment to be made for the pupil coach and parent coach on ParentPay.



Attendance
this year:

94.2%



Thank You for an Excellent Autumn Term

What a wonderful term it has been! I would like to start by saying a huge well done to all of our children for their amazing work this term and for the fabulous end of term performances. The EYFS Christmas Workshop was a hive of festive fun, where parents and children enjoyed quality time together creating Christmas crafts and activities. We were then delighted by the Year 3 and 4 performance, which was truly magical. The children showcased their talents with confidence and enthusiasm, leaving us all feeling proud and festive. Year 5 and 6 followed with their beautiful carol service at the church – a moment of calm and reflection that captured the true spirit of Christmas.

To complete our celebrations, we were thrilled to take part in the Frays Choir Carol Concert at All Saints Church, where children from Keep Hatch, All Saints, and Beechwood Primary performed together, accompanied by Mr Cole on the organ. It was a really special occasion that showcased the children's talents. Following this, our Year 1 and 2 pupils wowed us with their production of 'Christmas with the Aliens' on Tuesday and Wednesday. What an outstanding performance! The singing, speaking, dancing, acting, and musical accompaniment were all of an exceptionally high standard.

I would like to extend my congratulations to every child involved in their Christmas performance, and a huge thank you to all the Keep Hatch staff for the incredible effort that goes into making these productions so memorable and for their ongoing commitment and support for the school.

Thank You to the Parents' Association

I would like to say a big thank you to all members of our new Parents' Association for their incredible work this term in organising the recent fundraising events for our school. Thanks to the Donut and Uniform Sale, the Santa Dash, and the Christmas Fair, the PA has raised an amazing £5,299 so far this term! This is a fantastic achievement, and we are so grateful for your dedication and support. Please refer to the recent PA newsletter for more details about the exciting new play equipment that will be installed in the new year. Thank you once again to all members of the PA for your ongoing commitment to our school - we really appreciate everything you do!

Autumn Term 2 Token Winners

The winning house for the house tokens this term was Peake! Well done, team. The children celebrated with an extra-special Glow Disco on Thursday afternoon – what a fun way to end the term!

TTRS Champions

Congratulations to Anne, Finn, Scarlett, Mustafa, Kyle, Charlotte S, Oliver T and Abi J - this term's Times Tables Rock Stars champions for the most minutes played! They all enjoyed a delicious hot chocolate with our maths leaders this week - a well-deserved treat for all that hard work.

Funtastic Kids

We would like to wish the Funtastic Kids team a very Merry Christmas and thank them for the wonderful wraparound care they provide for our children at Keep Hatch. The Christmas party they hosted was a huge success, and the children had an amazing time! The team always goes above and beyond to ensure the children have plenty of exciting activities and delicious food. We are very lucky to have them as part of our school community.

Season's Greetings

As we head into the Christmas holidays, I hope you all enjoy a joyful and relaxing break. Thank you for being such an important part of our school community. We've had a fantastic term, and I'm excited for all the great moments we'll share in the coming year. On behalf of everyone at Keep Hatch, I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Stay safe, keep well, and enjoy some quality time with your loved ones. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 5th January.

Headteacher Mrs C Appleby

Executive Headteacher Mr C Cole



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AUTUMN TERM EDITION #13

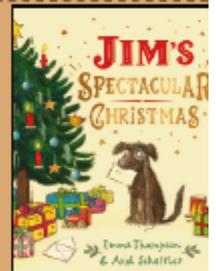
YOUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ABOUT ALL THINGS READING



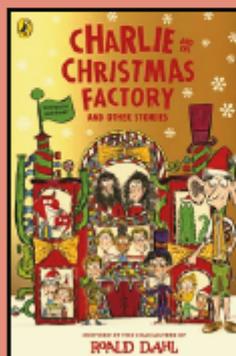
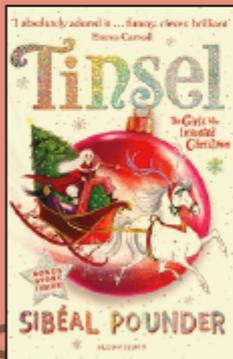
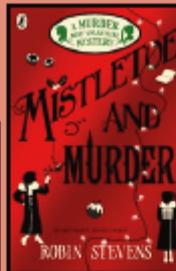
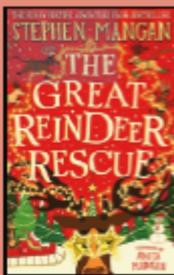
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IT'S THE NIGHT OF CHRISTMAS EVE.
 IN THE MOST FAMOUS TOY SHOP IN THE WORLD, A ROBBERY IS UNDERWAY. THE SHOP'S SANTA AND HIS SON ARE LOCKED INSIDE WITH THE BADDIES. CAN OUR HEROES STOP THEM USING JUST THE TOYS IN THE SHOP AS WEAPONS?

NEW RELEASE BOOKSHELF

KS1
 A HEARTWARMING STORY OF JIM, A SCRUFFY DOG, WHO LIVES IN THE VICTORIA AND ALBERT MUSEUM WHO GETS SWEEPED UP IN A GRAND CHRISTMAS ADVENTURE INVOLVING QUEEN VICTORIA.



KS2 CHRISTMAS BOOKS TO EXPLORE



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