



Keep Hatch Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter – 22 May 2026

Calendar of Events

25th May - 29th
May Half Term

Wed 3rd June - Year
2 trip Living
Rainforest

Thurs 4th June -
EYFS/KS1 Colour
Run

Fri 5th June - KS2
Colour Run

Reminders/Notices

**Year 1 - Milestone
Trip:**

Please complete the
online ParentMail
Form and make
payment of £28.50.

**Year 2 - The Living
Rainforest:**

Please complete the
online ParentMail
Form and make
payment of £24.10.



Year 6 Residential at PGL Liddington

This week, many of our Year 6 pupils attended a week long residential at Liddington, taking part in a range of team building and outdoor physical activities. All of the children had a fabulous time and, as expected, all represented Keep Hatch in such a way that makes me and the staff team very proud. The children were respectful and supportive of each other, and showed great resilience throughout the trip. I hope they all have some memories that will last a lifetime and enjoy sharing the experiences with family and friends over the coming weeks. A big thank you to all of the staff who gave up their own time to accompany the children on the residential.

Year 2 Sharing Assembly

Year 2 have been working extremely hard this term learning all about Kings and Queens in history. Today, Year 2 shared their super learning with their families in a special sharing assembly. They showed off their art skills with their crown prints, they sang all about a special celebration for the King's birthday, Trooping the Colour, and they read their stories inspired by the book "If I Were King". Thank you to everyone who came along to watch and share in their exciting learning!

Walk to School Week

The final figures have been counted and congratulations to Maple who were the winning class, closely followed by Blackbirds and Laurel. Well done to everyone who walked!

Attendance and Punctuality - Every Day Counts

I'd like to remind everyone how important regular attendance and punctuality are for your child's learning and well-being. Every school day really does make a difference. When children attend consistently and arrive on time, they feel settled, confident, and ready to learn. Even small amounts of missed time can add up and affect progress. This week alone we have had a high number of children arriving after the door has closed.

We understand that life can sometimes be challenging, and if you're facing any difficulties with attendance or punctuality, please reach out to us. We're here to help and work together to find solutions that support your child. Please remember that term-time holidays cannot be authorized, as every day in school is valuable for your child's education. If you need advice or support around this, we're always happy to talk. If you're ever unsure whether your child is well enough to attend school, please visit <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> for helpful guidance. Thank you for your continued partnership in helping every child thrive.

Amazon Wishlist

I'd like to say a huge thank you to all our parents and carers for the incredibly kind donations we have received last week and this week. Your generosity makes such a difference to our classrooms and the experiences we can offer the children. We are so very grateful for your continued support. If you're able to support, simply:

- Choose an item from the Amazon Wishlist
- Purchase through your own account
- Have it delivered directly to school

We've added some new cooking tools to our Amazon Wish List to help us enjoy more cooking activities with the children. Any support is truly appreciated. Thank you for helping make these experiences so special for our pupils.

If there's an option to add a gift message, please do — it helps us know who to thank! Thank you so much in advance.



Headteacher Mrs C Appleby
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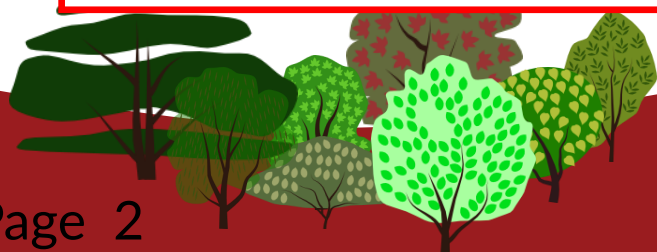
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Puffins	All of Puffins for being brave and demonstrating super listening for their first swim.
Sparrows	All of Sparrows for being brave and demonstrating super listening for their first swim.
Blackbirds	James for terrific writing recently using adjectives and exclamation marks.
Robins	Mikey for working really hard on his handwriting and the presentation of his work. Well done and keep up the good work !
Kingfishers	Soha for showing perseverance with her swimming skills this week! Jesse C for his super attitude and improved stamina in writing! Well done!
Skylarks	Yasmin for working super hard on her swimming skills this week. Adam for offering thoughtful responses in whole class discussions.
Cedar	Tayvis and Jim for reading (and recording their reading) regularly, and for reading a variety of genres. Well done.
Rowan	James for showing resilience, perseverance, and creativity, and for producing an amazing bookmark in Sewing-DT. Well done!
Hazel	Cameron for going green on TT Rockstars! Well done!!
Sycamore	Caius and Mustafa for being brave and really challenging themselves in their swimming lesson this week.
Laurel	Emily and Charlotte for always showing such a positive attitude towards your learning-well done!
Maple	Rehan for always being such a great role model to others. You display all the Keep Hatch values and can always be relied on to work your hardest.
Mulberry	Away on PGL Residential.
Willow	
Headteacher's Awards	Nyomi (Y4) is the Berkshire County champion in women's artistic for 2026 and Kylian (Y1) for getting first place in the 5-6 years boys group in the nationals.



This week's top Times Table Rock Stars are:

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Kingfishers: James M	Cedar: Edith	Hazel: Cameron	Laurel: Kyle	Mulberry:
Skylarks: Sophie	Rowan: Amelia	Sycamore: Sophie	Maple: Charlotte	Willow:



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