



Keep Hatch Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter – 8 March 2024

Calendar of Events

11th - 15th Mar - Para Intra-house competition

11th - 15th Mar - British Science week

11th March - WASMA choir rehearsal - Waingels - 3.30 - 6.00pm

12th March - Year 3 Sharing assembly - 2.45pm

12th March - Netball Match vs Westende at home - 3.30pm

12th March - Football Match vs Oaklands away - 3.45pm

15th March - Comic Relief (non-uniform day, wearing anything red and/or red noses).

Reminders/Notices

Year 6 - PGL Residential:

Please make sure that all payments to date have been made - next payment due 28th March.

Yrs 3 & 4 Athletics Trials:

Please complete the ParentMail Form by Friday 8th March

Yrs 5 & 6 Athletics Trials:

Please complete the ParentMail Form by Friday 8th March

Year 5 - Bikeability:

Please complete the online form by 11.59pm on 19th March.

Please follow us on Facebook for regular school updates



Attendance this year: 94.9%



World Book Day

This past week has been a celebration of our shared love for reading at Keep Hatch. We were thrilled to participate in the annual World Book Day festivities. Our week has been filled with various reading-themed activities, such as children and staff dressing up as their favourite book characters or wearing cosy pyjamas to indulge in their most beloved books. We also held our annual reading carousel where children could choose a story to listen to being read by any staff member, as well as the a book character potato competition, and a Book in a Box activity.

Next week, we will be announcing the potato character and book in a box competition winners but today we can announce that the winners of the classroom door competition are ...

1st Place- Laurel Class with their **Hobbit** door

2nd Place- Oak Class with their **Winnie The Pooh** door

3rd Place- Mulberry Class with their **Tiger That Came To Tea** door

A big well done to all the teachers and teaching assistants who created the wonderful doors and made our school look so amazing.

Thank you to all families who came along to our second-hand book sales after school each day, and Thursday's cake sale from which all funds are going towards renovating our outdoor "Book Nook." We will let you know how much we have raised so far for this project when we have a final count. Also, I'd like to extend my thanks to Mrs Wesley, our whole school reading lead, for all her organisation of Book Week and to our Reading Ambassadors for supporting the many activities of the week.

Attendance Matters

Regular attendance at school plays a crucial role in enhancing children's education. While we take pride in our attendance rates, they currently sit below our desired target of 97%. We kindly ask that parents schedule any medical or dental appointments outside of school hours whenever feasible. In the event that appointments must be made during school hours, we request that an appointment card be provided to ensure we are aware of the absence. Thank you for your understanding on this important matter.



Times Table Rock Stars Intra-House

Last week we held our first ever intra-house Times Table Rock Stars competition. All children were able to participate and win points for their house. Well done to everyone for taking part. And the winners were.....

Armstrong!

Well done to everyone in Armstrong house for your contribution. We will be holding our next competition next half term, but keep up the daily practice between now and then!

New Starter

A warm welcome to Peyton who started this week in Hazel class. She has settled in well.

New Diary Date - Go Green for Cerebral Palsy Day—Mon 25th March

As a school we are going to be raising awareness for Cerebral Palsy by wearing green on Monday 25th March. The campaign #GoGreen4CP aims to light up as many landmarks and buildings across the world in green, to show support to the 17 million people living with cerebral palsy. #GoGreen4CP raises great awareness and this means that cerebral palsy is talked about a lot more and it is the most important part of the campaign. Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform, wearing anything green. Thank you in advance for helping us to raise awareness for this important disability.

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Puffins	Penny for a huge effort and perseverance with her writing and maths, what a great poster to help catch the Evil Pea!
Sparrows	Lucas for his creative trap and super WANTED poster he created to help catch the Evil Pea.
Blackbirds	Georgie O for always working hard and doing her best.
Robins	Edith for a fabulous space picture.
Kingfishers	Advik for his confidence and independence in Maths! Kyla-Rae for her improved handwriting and overall super progress in writing! Emilia for her improved resilience! Well done Advik, Kyla-Rae and Emilia!
Skylarks	Antek, for making new friends! Joshua K, for a wonderful character description in English!
Cedar	Brayden for doing exceptionally well in reading. Well done Brayden!
Rowan	Charlotte for her positive learning attitudes throughout a very busy week- keep it up!
Hazel	Leo and Olly, for working hard with their handwriting and in maths. Well done and keep it up!
Sycamore	Hazel for being our origami expert during our World Book Day task! Lily for working so hard and doing so well in her reading assessment this week.
Laurel	The whole of Year 5 for a fantastic assembly this week. Well done everyone! We are really proud of you all!
Maple	
Mulberry	Eli and Jerry for showing real improvement in their writing this half term to produce some wonderful pieces so far. Well done.
Willow	Evelyn and Mila for their scientific exploration and good thinking.
Oak	Megan for consistently good effort and learning behaviours across all subjects.
Headteacher's Awards	Our Year 6 Ambassadors who have helped to organise the World Book Day fundraising activities: Poppy S, Eva, Navika, Elise, Khole, Cheryl, Rida, Ali, Kitty, Jess, Jessie, Milly, Ellen and Lois.



This week's top Times Table Rock Stars are:

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Cedar - Jack W Rowan - Eunice	Hazel - Dylan Sycamore - Lucas	Laurel - Ashley Maple - Nevaeh	Mulberry - Elise Oak - Devansh Willow - Ross



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