



Keep Hatch Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter – 5 January 2024

Calendar of Events

3rd - 9th Jan - Intra House - Ball Skills

Wed 17th Jan - Year 6 - Beat Boxers at St Crispin's - Leaving Keep Hatch at 8.45am

Wed 17th Jan - Year 4 - Beat Boxers at St Crispin's - Leaving Keep Hatch at 12.45pm

Thurs 18th Jan - Census Day

Thurs 18th Jan - Cross Country Comp (MOB event)

Thurs 18th Jan - Young Voices - Choir event - O2

Reminders/Notices

Young Voices Pupil Coach:

£23.33 payment now due. Deadline – Friday 12th January.

Year 4 - Winchester Science Centre:

Please complete the online ParentMail Form & make payment of £23.36 by Wednesday 31st January.

Please follow us on Facebook for regular school updates



Attendance this year: 95.2%



Welcome Back and Happy New Year

Welcome back to the start of a fresh term and a brand-new year. We always look forward to welcoming our students back after the holiday break, and I trust that everyone is ready for the new term ahead. We had the pleasure of gathering for a welcome back assembly on Wednesday which provided the opportunity for our students to reflect on the possibilities of the upcoming year. We encouraged them to think about setting New Year's resolutions, embracing a fresh start, and, most importantly, believing in themselves as they set themselves goals.

Welcome to new starters and staff

Welcome to our new starters who have joined this week. We have welcomed Chloe into Skylarks class; Mason into Rowan class; Hannah into Laurel class and Sofie into Mulberry class. They have all settled in well. We would also like to welcome Mrs Chung, who will be a teaching assistant working in Years 1 & 2; Ms Cheung, who will be a teaching assistant working in Foundation, Year 4 and Year 3 and Ms Li who has joined us as a lunchtime controller.

Reading, Reading, Reading!

As we start a new calendar year, it's a great opportunity to reaffirm the importance of good reading habits at home with your children. All the staff know how much our Keep Hatch children enjoy reading in school but we also know how valuable it is for them to read themselves or be read to by another person when they are at home. Research consistently highlights the benefits of dedicating just 20 minutes a day to reading, regardless of age. Take a look at the research statistics for just 20 minutes of reading a day at any age. We encourage you to incorporate reading into your daily routine. Whether it's sharing a story together, listening to your child read, or allowing them some quiet reading time alone, these moments contribute significantly to their overall development.

We are always looking for as many opportunities during the school day for our children to read to an adult. If you have any spare time and would like to volunteer some time during the week to listen to children read, please let the school office know. Thank you.



Headteacher Mrs C Appleby
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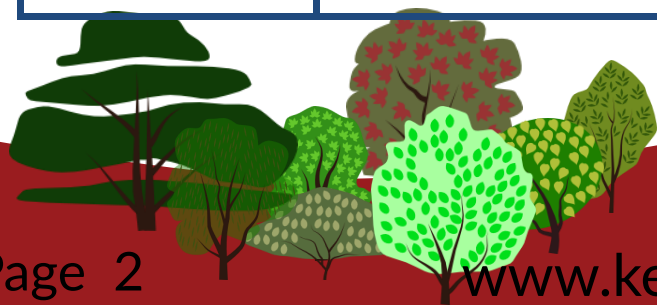


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Puffins	Jessica for settling in so well and always trying her best.
Sparrows	Jacob for starting the new year so positively and showing great learning behaviours.
Blackbirds	Hughie for always trying his best. Harvey for coming back on day 1 ready to learn.
Robins	Charlie F for his positive attitude in school.
Kingfishers	Emilia for her conscientious attitude in class!
Skylarks	Chloe for settling into Keep Hatch school and Skylarks so quickly! Aaliyah for being a kind and helpful friend.
Cedar	Riyaan for his excellent learning attitude in class. Keep up your hard work!
Rowan	Reuben for his excellent return to school and brilliant improvement with his handwriting! Keep up the hard work! Mason for settling into Rowan confidently! Thank you for all your contributions and efforts so far!
Hazel	Aidan and Simmi for showing resilience, working hard and improving their work in maths and English.
Sycamore	Bella for showing amazing perseverance during the intra-house competition! Well done, Bella!
Laurel	Hannah for a great first week in Y5, and settling in so well.
Maple	Liv for being such a polite and well-mannered member of Maple. Always ready to offer help if it is needed.
Mulberry	Sofie, for settling in well, trying hard and confidently participating in everything. Well done!
Willow	Kitty and Milly for wonderful development of ideas in writing.
Oak	Izzy for a great start to the term, volunteering answers in class and always
Headteacher's Awards	Ashley (Y5) for being such a good friend.



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