



Keep Hatch Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter – 3 July 2023

Calendar of Events

Saturday 1st July

Summer Fayre 1 - 3pm

Monday 3rd July

3.30 - 4pm Open

Classrooms for next academic year

Tuesday 4th July

District Sports

Tuesday 4th July

3.50 - 4.30pm Choir concert to parents (sports hall)

Thursday 6th July

Year R - Beale Park

1.30 - 2.15 Choir at Addington School

School Disco

Yrs 1 - 3 - 5pm - 6.15pm

Yrs 4 - 6 - 6.30pm - 8pm

Reminders/ Notices

Year 5 - PGL:

Please make the next payment of £36.80 which is due 28th July.

Year R - Beale Park:

Please complete the online ParentMail Form and make payment of £20.40 by Friday 16th June.

Parent Survey:

Please complete the survey by Friday 7th July

Class Photos:

The deadline for orders is 2nd July

Sports Day

Sports Day is always a highlight of the year for us as we are delighted to hold such a collaborative school event that we are able to share with our Keep Hatch community. We were thrilled with the effort and determination that every child put into Sports Day this year. Huge congratulations to PEAKE who were the winning team but well done to all children who took part. It was wonderful to be able to welcome so many of our families to the school to enjoy the event together. It is always lovely to welcome the nursery children too—some of whom will be joining Puffins and Sparrows in September.

I would like to say a very special thank you to Miss Hickey and Miss Connelly who put so much time and effort into the organisation of the event leading up to the day and on the day itself. Thank you too, to all the staff who supported the event so that it could run so smoothly. The results were as follows:-

Armstrong 4th place

Sharman 3rd place

Jemison 2nd place

Peake 1st place

Year 1 trip to Wellington Country Park

Year 1 had an amazing day at Wellington Country Park on Monday. The highlights of the day were riding on the train and spotting the letters of the alphabet and the eleven sheep! The children thoroughly enjoyed pond dipping where we even found fresh water mussels. A much-needed lunch was enjoyed on the field before the children encountered some 'Jurassic Friends' hidden within the park. We finished our day with lots of fun in the adventure playground.

Year 4 – Ufton Court

Last week, Year 4 enjoyed some workshops learning about the Ancient Greeks with a visitor from Ufton Court. Across the sessions, the children enjoyed marching in formation as a Spartan army (ensuring their shield walls were fully protective!) and participating in a mock court by voting in secret ballots to decide whether the accused was guilty or innocent (there seemed to be a lot of guilty verdicts and dodgy punishments in Year 4!) They also played ancient Greek games and performed in a play of *Theseus and the Minotaur*. I think it's safe to say that a lot of laughter, fun and learning was enjoyed by everyone involved and, of course, the children behaved brilliantly. A superb couple of days!

Caterlink Debts

We ask parents to please check that their Caterlink account is in credit and that there are sufficient funds for any meals ordered over the next 3 weeks. We must clear all debts with Caterlink before the end of the school year, so we would appreciate your prompt attention to this, so we don't have to spend a lot of time chasing payments. Thank you.

Sing Up Day

Last Friday, 23rd June, Keep Hatch held a special Sing Up Day with the theme 'Connecting across the planet'. In the morning, the whole school attended an assembly where each year group sang a song that they had been learning. And what a variety of songs we had! There were topic songs that had helped the children with their learning, such as a song about the Ancient Egyptians (Year 3), as well as classics such as "Three Little Birds" by Bob Marley and the Wailers (Year 5). We even got a sneaky peek at a song from the Year 6 production of Matilda – what a treat! At lunchtime, several Year 6 girls ran 'Singing Stations' on the school field and playground where children from across the school could join them to learn a new song. As well as these exciting sessions, children listened to and sang lots of different songs in their classrooms; some of the Year 4s even sang in the swimming pool! We all enjoyed the day and we're looking forward to Sing Up Day again next year! Keep singing! 😊

Whole School Attendance: 94.5%



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Puffins	Arlo for being a super helpful Puffin. Charlotte for amazing answers in our Marvellous Maths sessions this week.
Sparrows	Grayson for always being such a helpful, hard working Sparrow. What a superstar!
Blackbirds	Oscar and Aiden for fantastic swimming – you listened well and tried so hard – well done boys!
Robins	Cole for representing Keep Hatch beautifully on the school trip and for showing great enthusiasm for the activities.
Skylarks	Gaby for super learning behaviour and fantastic writing about sports day.
Kingfishers	Lacey for her fabulous perseverance in all her learning!
Cedar	Hester for her amazing personification poetry! Charlie P for his confidence, courage and resilience. Well done, Charlie! Isla for her lovely contributions when discussing our class reader.
Rowan	Mabel for her focus and determination in swimming lessons- excellent progress! 😊
Hazel	Joanna and Yee Huen, for making amazing Greek clay pots in our art lesson. Noah for showing kindness and helping others during our art session.
Sycamore	The whole of Sycamore class for immersing themselves into Greek Days 110% and for all making fantastic clay coil pots! Well done! 😊
Laurel	Daniel and Eytan for their enthusiastic approach to their learning, in all subjects related to Space!
Maple	Jude - For persevering when he found something tricky.
Elm	Beatrice for being a supportive partner in swimming!
Willow	Sienna for demonstrating fabulous hurdle technique in athletics this week.
Mulberry	Jaydon for some super demonstration of long jump and high jump in athletics this week.
Oak	Indy for showing incredible determination and improvement in swimming.
Headteacher's Award	Liliana T (Y3) and Oliver Char (Y3) for being consistent excellent role models.



Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Cedar– Saifan	Sycamore - Olivia	Elm- Mason	Mulberry -
Rowan –	Hazel - Paige	Maple– Nathan	Oak -
Reuben		Laurel– Jasmine	Willow -



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