# KEYWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER www.keyworth.southwark.sch.uk Address: Faunce Street, London, SE17 3TR Tel: 020 7735 1701 E-Mail: office@keyworth.southwark.sch.uk Executive Headteacher: Sarah Beard Head of School: Ray Capper

Friday 31st January 2020

# Important dates for the diary - Spring Term 2020

	Spring Term 1		Spring Term 2
06.01.20	INSET Day (school closed to children)	24.02.20	Children return to school at 8:55am
07.01.20	Children return to school at 8:55am	28.02.20	Tutorial Day (school closed to
			children)
21.01.20	Little Stars parent workshop - time TBC	12.03.20	Early Years Celebration Day - 9:10am
23.01.20	Reception reading working 1 - 9:10am	24.03.20	Year 6 SATs parents' meeting -
			9:10am
30.01.20	Reception reading working 2 - 9:10am	26.03.20	Gender Equality parent workshop
06.02.20	Reception reading working 3 - 9:10am	03.04.20	Last day of term
10.02.20	Year 2 SATs workshop - 9:10am	Fu	ıll Term - 06.04.20 - 17.04.20
12.02.20	Year 1 phonics workshop - 9:10am	20.04.20	INSET Day (school closed to children)
13.02.20	Year 6 residential parents' meeting -	21.04.20	Children return at 8:55am
	9:10am		
14.02.20	Last day of term		
	Half Term - 17.02.20 - 21.02.20		

Please note, while we try our best to ensure that the above dates are accurate, they may be subject to change so please ensure you refer to the school website, letters sent home and the weekly newsletter. Or, contact the office.

### **Celebrations**

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week
1PH	Joao	Angel	Ridwaan
1BH	Meriem	Hawa	Inti
2MV	Adjoa	Davarney	Ama
2TA	Bazeet	Annabbel O	Zara
3MB	Aya	Shanitah	Kiahya-Rae
3KW	Sam	Shayla	Seham
4JB	Zada	Beyonce	Gabrielle
4CS	Peter-Wilson	Jay	Elijah
5JA	Mulaho	Hakim	Emmanuel
5JG	Allahreny	Najma	Ishmail
6JA	Mehdi	Ayelen	Sophie
6MC	Jasmine	Mohamed	Albert

This week's gem winners are	Diamonds
This week's treasure chest winners are	<u>3MB</u>

#### **Attendance**

A child's attendance to school has an enormous impact on their learning.

The Department for Education (2016) found: "The higher the level of absence from school the lower the likely level of attainment (children's grades)."

Please ensure that your child/children attend school as regularly as possible.

Class	Attendance
1PH	85.78%
1BH	39.83%
2MV	93.43%
2TA	96.3%
3MB	100%
3KW	94.69%
4JB	97.62%
4CS	91.53%
5JA	93.5%
5JG	97.3%
6JA	99.56%
6MC	92.74%
Whole school	93.72%
Target	96%
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0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

#### **Latest News**



# Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP Minister of State for School Standards

Sanctuary Buildings, 20 Great Smith Street, Westminster, London, SW1P 3BT tel: 0370 000 2288 www.education.gov.uk/help/contactus

Ms Sarah Beard Keyworth Primary School Faunce Street London SE17 3TR

20 January 2020

#### Dear Ms Beard,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on the very high level of progress that pupils in your school demonstrated in the reading, writing and mathematics Key Stage 2 assessments last year.

Your school's results, as published on 13 December, show progress scores of 4.8, 4.0 and 3.7 in reading, writing and mathematics respectively. This means that in terms of the progress your pupils make between Key Stage 1 and the end of Key Stage 2, your school is amongst the top 3 per cent of primary schools in the country.

The Government wants to ensure that every child has the fluency in reading, writing and mathematics necessary to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, which is why I was delighted to see your results.

Thank you for your work in continuing the drive towards higher academic standards, and congratulations again to you and your staff for your commitment and success.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP

Minister of State for School Standards

# Recognition of Keyworth's recent academic success

This week we received a letter from the Minister of State for School Standards Nick Gibb congratulating Keyworth on the outstanding progress our children make. The latest results have put Keyworth in the top 3% of the country for children's progress in reading, writing and Maths.

We would like to thank the Keyworth staff for all of their hard work, our parents for their continued support of the school and, most importantly, the wonderful children who enter our school gates each day!

The Bessemer and Keyworth Federation Governors:

"This is amazing news. Congratulations to all at Keyworth."

"Such incredible news! The Keyworth community should be very proud of its achievements."

Senior Southwark Education Advisor: "Excellent letter - hope that you are all rightfully very pleased and proud."

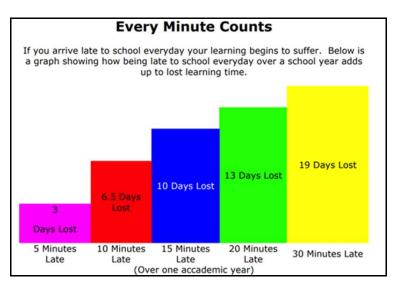
Keyworth parents:

"This is a fantastic achievement and a huge credit to the school staff, so wanted to say a big well done!"

# Attendance and Punctuality

- The 5<sup>th</sup> best out of 86 schools in Southwark for reading progression;
- The 6<sup>th</sup> best out of 86 schools in Southwark for writing progression;
- The 11<sup>th</sup> best out of 86 schools in Southwark for Maths progression;
- The 62<sup>nd</sup> best out of 86 schools in Southwark for children's attendance.

As you know, Keyworth is <u>below national</u> <u>expectations</u> for the attendance and punctuality of its children to school. In the last 37 weeks, Keyworth has met the 96% national target just **once**. We need Parents/Carers help to ensure that children come to school on time and as frequently as



possible. Thank you for your continued support on this matter.

## Did you know?

• Research suggests that 17 missed school days a year = GCSE grade DROP in achievement.

The greater the attendance, the greater the achievement.

• If a school can **improve** attendance by **1%**, they will see a **5-6%** improvement in **attainment** (results).

Department for Education and Skills research

#### New dates for your diary - workshops

- Year 2 SATs workshop Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 9:10am;
- Year 1 phonics workshop (in class) Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 9:10am;
- Gender Equality workshop Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 9:10am (all Parents / Carers are invited and the workshop will be delivered by an external provider https://www.liftinglimits.org.uk/)

#### **Keyworth Friends**

The next *Keyworth Friends* meeting will take place on **Friday 7**<sup>th</sup> **February at 9:00am** in the *Parents' Room*. All Parents / Carers are welcome; we hope to see you there!

# Year 5 samba performance

A huge congratulations to our year 5 samba musicians who performed at the Southbank Centre to a packed audience as part of the Southwark Schools Percussion Festival. You all did a fantastic job and had the crowd bouncing to the beat!

## Parent help required

At Keyworth, we try to ensure that children are given a wide range of experiences across the curriculum. This includes taking the children on trips and sporting activities like netball and swimming. In order that our children are safe, we need to have enough adults to supervise the children. If your child receives a letter about an activity that takes place outside of Keyworth, we would appreciate it if Parents / Carers were able to volunteer their time to support. This does not have to be an ongoing commitment, but any support would be most helpful. If you are able to do so, please either complete the 'volunteers required' section of a trip consent form or contact the staff member who is supervising the activity. Sometimes we are inundated with offers of support so please do not be offended if we say no on a particular occasion.... and, please keep trying! We particularly find it difficult to have enough adults for children in KS2.

#### Word of the Week

• This week's word is **devoured**. Please discuss the meaning of this with your child/children and encourage them to share what they have learned with their teachers in school to receive gems.

**Previous words** serenity, relinquish, plethora