

# KEYWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021

## Important dates for the diary - 2021

Summer Term 1		Summer Term 2	
19.04.21	Children return	07.06.21	Children return
03.05.21	Bank holiday - school closed	21.06.21	Festival of Sport
06.05.21	Polling day - school closed	12.07.21	Festival of Music
06.05.21	Tutorial day	22.07.21	Last day of term
24.05.21	Wellbeing Week		
28.05.21	Last day of half-term		

## Celebrations

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week
RCC	Elise	Abib	Melissa	Naila
RSP	Manha	Yussef	Zahara	Mikey

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week
1CT	Teddy	Shakib	Sana
2PH	Tyler	Elijah	Forry Forry
2TA	Meriem	Adrian	Mohammed
3JG	Daybel	Glenn	Maida
3BH	Sara	Abdul	Majid
4JA	Sophia	Shayla	Yacine
4MV	Leyla	Khaziah	Shanitah
5JB	James	Victor	George
5CS	Chloe	Fatima	Habie
6JA	Alannah	Ridwan	Carline
6MK	Hakim	Najma	Jasmine

This week's gem winners are...	Diamonds
This week's treasure chest winners are...	2PH and 3BH

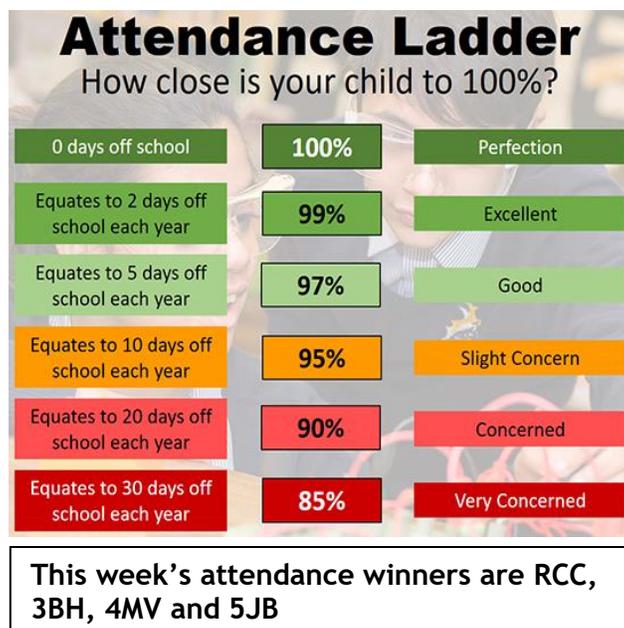
## Attendance

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
RSP	90.48%
RCC	100%
1CT	85.29%
2PH	82.61%
2TA	95.45%
3JG	84%
3BH	100%
4JA	86.36%
4MV	100%
5JB	100%
5CS	92%
6JA	95.45%
6MK	95.45%
Whole school	93.26%
School target	96%



## Latest News

### Covid - children with symptoms

Just to clarify, even if your child has taken a *Lateral Flow Covid test*, they should not come to school if they have any of the three main coronavirus symptoms: a new and continuous cough, a high temperature and/or a loss of taste/smell.

### Keyworth Friends (PTA)

The *Keyworth Friends* and staff from the school have been working hard in recent years to create a feeling of community by encouraging our families to engage with the wider school through volunteering to organise events such as our school fairs, virtual discos and Black History Month, as well as supporting the opening of our library and organising many competitions and activities for all. I am sure that everyone will agree this improves the sense of community and is an enjoyable part of school life.

For these events to take place, the school relies on our parents/carers as we do not have the capacity to organise them for ourselves. Sadly, *Keyworth Friends* only has a few volunteers who have been responsible for planning and implementing much of the above. **As a result, from September we may no longer have a PTA as we just do not have enough people to run it.** This will mean that Keyworth will be unable to organise events such as school fairs or create projects such as the library. It will also mean that our children will miss out financially as we receive additional benefits as a result of our PTA being a registered charity.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

**KEYWORTH FRIENDS**

CURRENTLY HAVE THE POSITION OF CHAIRPERSON & TREASURER OPEN. PLEASE CONTACT US ASAP FOR MORE INFORMATION IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE ON EITHER ROLE.

If this were to happen, I personally would feel extremely disappointed as many of our parents/carers know how much I passionately feel about creating a school community and including our families as much as I can in Keyworth life. We continue to work extremely hard to make our school the best that it can be but we do need your help too!

Being a *Keyworth Friend* does not necessarily have to take up much of your time. We need parents/carers to:

- Join in the discussions and offer their ideas;
- Provide the school with any contacts that you may have in the local community;
- Sometimes offer an hour or two to help organise an event;
- Support the organising of the school fairs/run a stall.

Even if you cannot be involved in everything, just being there every now and then is so helpful for us as a school and would mean that I do not have to take the decision to end the PTA at the end of this academic year.

**If you want the PTA to continue during the next academic year, please register your interest to support the school and/or for further information by emailing: [pta@keyworth.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:pta@keyworth.southwark.sch.uk). Alternatively, you can speak to any current *Keyworth Friends* members.**

### Keyworth Friends - Chair

Donna Eldridge, the current Chair of the *Keyworth Friends*, will be stepping down from the role. While she is hoping to continue to be a part of the *Keyworth Friends* going forward, I would like to put on record our thanks for her hard work, dedication and passion for our school - thank you Donna!

### School uniform changes 2021-22

From September 2021, we will begin to change the colour of Keyworth's uniform from purple to navy blue. The reason behind this is that we want to make our school uniform more affordable so that families can buy all parts of it from a supermarket and/or clothes shop.

JUMPERS			
	Round neck jumper (£5)	V neck jumper (£5)	Cardigan (£5)
3 - 4	In stock	In stock	In stock
5 - 6	In stock	In stock	In stock
7 - 8	In stock	In stock	In stock
9 - 10	In stock	In stock	In stock
11 - 12	In stock	In stock	In stock
13	In stock	In stock	In stock
POLO SHIRTS			
	White polo shirt (£4)	Grey polo shirt	
3 - 4	In stock	In stock	
4 - 5	In stock	In stock	
5 - 6	In stock	In stock	
6 - 7	In stock	In stock	
7 - 8	In stock	Not in stock	
8 - 9	Not in stock	In stock	
10 - 11	In stock	In stock	
11 - 12	In stock	In stock	
12	In stock	In stock	
ACCESSORIES			
Satchel (£3)	In stock		
Book Bag (£2.50)	In stock		
Caps (£2)	In stock		

I want to make it clear that **children will still be allowed to wear purple from September and for as long as it takes for them to need new school clothes**. However, we will no longer be selling purple items after the end of this academic year and would ask that you purchase items that follow the new school uniform guidelines from this point. Further details of the uniform changes will be sent to you soon.

In order to clear out our current school uniform, **we will be selling items of school uniform that we have in stock at 50% off**. Items will be sold on a first-come-first-served basis so please contact the school office if you would like to purchase any uniform as indicated above (you must phone first rather than just turning up).

Please note that we can only accept cash payments and ask that you aim to bring the correct amount of money as we do not always have change.

### Tutorial day

Thank you to all parents/carers for their attendance at our Tutorial day yesterday. I hope that you were able to make best use of your time communicating with your child/ren's teacher/s. Over 95% of families had some form of meeting with their child/ren's teacher/s, which shows a great effort by everyone. If you have yet to have a meeting, please contact the school to arrange one. A reminder that you can of course ask to speak to your child's teacher anytime by contacting the school office and asking for a phone call back.

Finally, I would like to thank Libby for her super organising and patience.

### FREE Maths resources for parents/carers

At Keyworth, we use the *White Rose Maths Hub* approach to teaching maths. On the website below, you will find some videos, activities and workbooks (all for FREE) to support your child's learning at home for children in years 1 to 6. You will also find several parent guides to show you how to teach your child different activities in maths. I would advise that if you like the activities that you save them as I am not sure if they will be free forever!

[Maths with Michael | White Rose Maths](#)

### School Home Support Practitioner

A reminder that Keyworth has a designated *School Home Support Practitioner* called Abena. Many families have already worked with Abena who has supported them with a range of issues. You can find out further information about Abena and her role at the end of this newsletter.

### Support for families - Southwark Works

*Southwark Works* is a FREE employment support service for anyone living in the borough of Southwark. You can find out further information using the website below and/or by contacting Abena using her details at the end of this newsletter:

<https://southwarkworks.com/>

### School packed lunches

In the tables below, you will see the days over the next 2 weeks when children will be provided with a packed lunch. On all other days they will be provided with a hot lunch. A reminder that you can find the hot lunch menu on the school website.

Packed lunches provided by the school – w/b 10.05.21					
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12:00 – 12:30	Year 1	Year 2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 1
12:30 – 1:00	Year 3	Year 4	Year 3	Year 4	Year 3
1:00 – 1:30	Year 6	Year 5	Year 6	Year 5	Year 6

Packed lunches provided by the school – w/b 17.05.21					
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12:00 – 12:30	Year 2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 1	Year 2
12:30 – 1:00	Year 4	Year 3	Year 4	Year 3	Year 4
1:00 – 1:30	Year 5	Year 6	Year 5	Year 6	Year 5

**Word of the Week**

This week's *Word of the Week* is **panorama**. Please discuss its meaning with your child/ren and encourage them to share what they have learned with their teachers in school to receive gems. Do they know the origin? Can they use the word correctly in a sentence? Can they identify and explain the meaning of alternative forms e.g., **panoramic**? Can they identify any synonyms or antonyms?

Please find below previous words that we have used in school:

<b>Previous words</b>	serenity, relinquish, plethora, devoured, dwindle, simultaneously, impede, revenge, smuggle, flail, profound, contemplate, participate, unfold, epiphany, occasionally, anxious, disguised, indignant, translucent, illustrate, pinnacle, capitulate, solidarity
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Wishing you a lovely weekend!

Ray Capper  
Head of School

# Here to help



Hi, I'm Abena Opong

your SHS Practitioner at

**John Ruskin Primary School/  
Keyworth Primary School**

I am available from

**Monday to Friday**

## About me

I am employed by an independent education charity called School-Home Support (SHS). I work in partnership with your school to support children and their families to get the most from the educational opportunities on offer.



### My role includes...

- ✔ Acting as a link between home and school
- ✔ Listening to you
- ✔ Offering practical suggestions and advice
- ✔ Going to meetings with you
- ✔ Promoting regular attendance
- ✔ Arranging adult learning courses
- ✔ Facilitating a parent drop in
- ✔ Supporting you

## About School-Home Support

**School-Home Support (SHS)** has been a centre for excellence in school-home work for over thirty years.

Today, **SHS** is the leading independent provider of School-Home Support Services. We offer practical and emotional support for children and young people and their families across the country.

For more information about SHS, please go to [www.shs.org.uk](http://www.shs.org.uk).

### Confidentiality

I **do not** and **will not** tell anyone anything that you tell me without your permission, *except* if I believe a child/person is at risk, or if it may have an impact on a child's learning or well-being.



For more information please contact:

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**E: [abena.opong@shs.org.uk](mailto:abena.opong@shs.org.uk)**

Every family's story is different. We will work to make sure you get the right kind of support that you need.



If you're feeling **worried, concerned** or just need a bit of **advice**, you're not the only parent in the school that feels that way. I'm ready to help you find solutions; that's **what I'm here for.**

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