

Dragon's Roar July 23

As we approach the end of another busy year, we wanted to express how much we've enjoyed working with you and your children. Working at a primary school is truly wonderful: each day is unique, filled with positivity and endless possibilities, and, of course, a big dose of unpredictability! Our pupils work hard, supporting one another, and exhibit fantastic attitudes towards both life and learning. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them and their achievements throughout this year.

While we acknowledge that a strong academic education isn't everything, it remains a vital part of what we strive to provide here at KPNS, and we are pleased with some of the outcomes in this area. We will continue our mission to improve outcomes in all areas!

Year Six has had a wonderful time celebrating their transition to secondary school during their leavers' activities. They move on confidently, knowing they possess the abilities to tackle the challenges that lie ahead. We wish them every success and happiness in the future.

Lastly, we want to extend our gratitude to everyone who has supported our school this year teachers, TAs, Governors, volunteers, and, of course, parents! Each of you plays an incredibly important role in ensuring our pupils have the best possible chances for success and happiness.

Have a fantastic summer!

Mr Cresswell, Mrs King and Mrs Holmes

Leadership Team

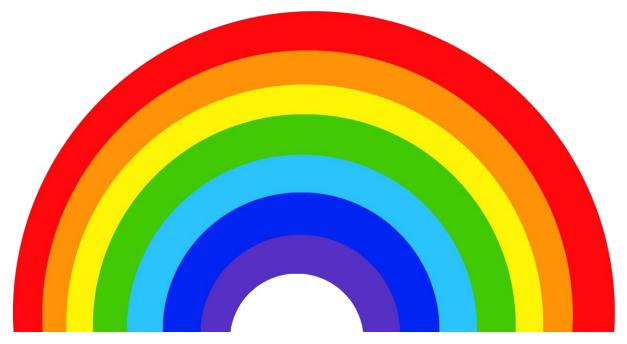


We have recently reviewed our current leadership team and will be operating under a slightly different structure from September. The new structure will be:

- Mr Cresswell: Executive Headteacher
- Mrs King: Head of School
- Mrs Holmes: Deputy Head

You will note that Mrs Holmes and Mr Cresswell's roles are unchanged while Mrs King will become the Head of School. Mrs King's new role reflects the extra responsibility that falls on the leadership team when Mr Cresswell is not at KPNS. Other schools with an Executive Headteacher are also adopting this structure. Mrs King had to apply, and be interviewed, for the new role and is excited about the challenge ahead!

Staffing Updates for September



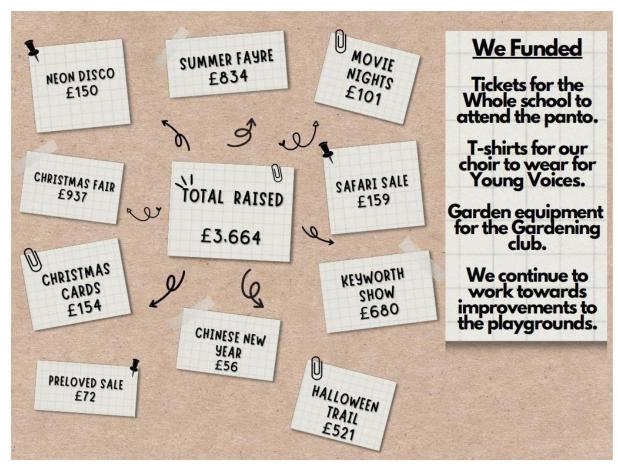
Fond Farewells:

We are sadly saying a fond farewell to Mrs Roos and Mrs Wilkie from Team KPNS. Mrs Roos has been supporting children in the Foundation Unit and now wants to focus on her own family. Her incredible experience and knowledge when working with our youngest pupils has been invaluable to us and she promises to pop in now and again to help out where she can. Mrs Wilkie has been job-sharing in Year 2 this year. She has brought such a positive, sunny vibe to our team and the children have loved working with her. Although for personal reasons she does not wish to continue as a class teacher, we very much hope she comes to KPNS on a supply basis. Thank you to both Mrs Roos and Mrs Wilkie for your commitment- we will miss you!

Welcome to the Team:

From September we will be welcoming Mrs Ahmed who will be job-sharing with Miss Rayns in Year 2, Mrs Duffield who will be replacing Mrs Roos in Foundation and Mrs J who will be supporting in our Key Stage 1 classes. All three members of staff come with excellent experience and are very excited to start with us in the new school year. We are sure you will join us in giving them a warm welcome!

Friends of KPNS- Update!



Doodle Summer Challenge!



You can still sign your children up to the Doodle Summer Challenges where they have a chance to earn themselves a special certificate and a gorgeous pin badge. Parents have to actively sign up their child and then remember to 'claim' their award once they complete the challenge. Certificates and badges will then be sent to school where we will hand them out in assembly. Please see the linked blog which will show you how to sign your child up.

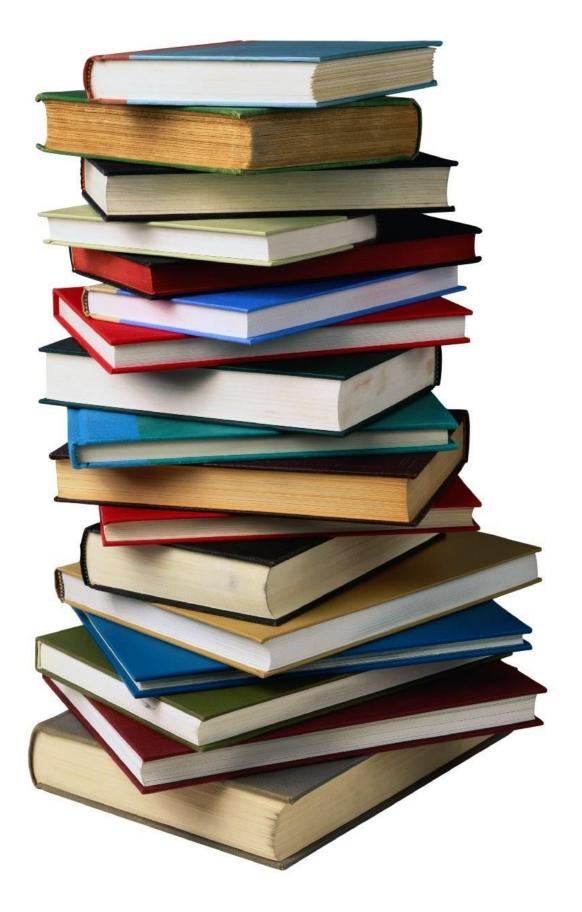
Keyworth Primary and Nursery School - Doodle Summer challenge

A Note from Mrs Buttery

Don't 1 Forget

- A reminder that school meals are changing from September. If your child has any medical needs or dietary requirements, please ensure you complete the form on the link. <u>Keyworth</u> <u>Primary and Nursery School School Meals are Changing....</u>
- Orders of PE-Shirts will be with us in September and you will be notified when you can collect. A reminder to all parents that our new PE Kit is a RED round neck t-shirt. Keyworth Primary and Nursery School Changes to PE Kit from September
- All outstanding payments to be made by the end of August.

Reading Books!



Children in KS1-It's the summer holidays and your child has made super progress this year. Let's keep them reading to ensure your child doesn't fall behind over the summer break.

Listen to your child read every day

You will find we have organised some *Read Write Inc.* Storybooks for your child to read to you over the holidays. Choose a quiet time when they are wide awake.

Help your child to:

- read the sounds and words at the front of the book, before they read the story
- sound out any new words as they read the story. Read back each page to them, after they have read it. If the child has enjoyed the story, encourage them to read it again on the next day to **increase their fluency**. Most importantly...do it all with patience and love.
- **Read to your child every day** Did you know that *being read to* develops children's comprehension and love of reading?

Thank you for your support with this. 5 weeks without reading will result in your child's progress regressing . They are currently at a vital stage of their reading journey so daily practice is so important. Thank you.

End of Year Awards!



Congratulations to the children who have been selected for our Achievers of the Year! You have all grown so much in confidence and we are super proud of you!

F1- Harry T

- F2-Sergey
- Y1- James
- Y2- Reuben
- Y3- Rose
- Y4- Hazel
- Y5- Eve
- Y6- Lorenzo

The Joan Gulliver Reading Award is presented to a child from across school who has made outstanding progress in their reading this year. Today we awarded this to Yordana in Year 2! Well done, Yordana!

The Sport Award is given to a Year 6 child who has contributed consistently to our school teams and shown good sportsmanship. Georgia in Y6 has been part of the KPNS teams for 7 years and competes in gymnastics out of school at a high level. Well done, Georgia.

The Hartley Cup is awarded every year to a Year 6 pupil who has had outstanding growth throughout their career at KPNS. This year it was presented to Ella in Year 6 who has grown in confidence during her time with us and we are incredibly proud of her.

Attendance Award



During this afternoon's assembly, all children who have had attendance of 95% and above for this half term were entered into our half termly prize draw. The winner this time was Olivia in Year 5. Congratulations and a Smyths Toys voucher is on its way to you! Attendance figures, for the purpose of the prize draw, will start afresh in September.

Swimming



From September our new Year 3 Class will be swimming on a Thursday afternoon. They leave school at 2pm and get back for 3:30pm. We are looking for two adult volunteers to go along with a member of school staff. If you think you can help (or even be put on a rota- many hands make light work) please contact the school office. Thank you.

Medication



We are sending home ALL medication we have for children in school. It will NOT be passed up to the next class teacher. In September, If your child requires medication you must bring it to the school office and complete a medical form updating our in-school system. All medication must be prescribed to your child and labelled appropriately.

A note from Ms Garner our Family Link Worker

Hello!

I have enjoyed my first term as the Family Link Worker at KPNS. In the new academic year I will be starting a number of events I would like to invite the families to:

- Tuesday 12th of September at 9am AND 3pm- A meet and greet in the school hall with a cuppa and a slice of cake- come and get to know me.
- From Friday 22nd of September 8:30-10am EVERY Friday in the hall- Family coffee morning where we will chat, younger children can play and get to know each other.
- EPEC (Empowering parents empowering communities) course- From Tuesday 26th September for 9 school weeks 9:45- 11:45- Focusing on positive parenting and strategies to make things easier at home.
- Gardening Club continue in the new year on a Tuesday at 3:30- 5pm until the dark nights. All welcome.

A reminder that the Keyworth Community Food Bank will be open all throughout the holidays on Wednesday 2pm-3:30.

Dates for your Diary:



- Monday 4th of September- INSET DAY- Children NOT in school
- Tuesday 5th of September- First day back for all children
- Friday 15th of September- INSET DAY- Children NOT in school

Click on the link for school holiday dates for the next academic year: <u>Keyworth Primary and Nursery</u> <u>School - Term Dates</u>