



Dragon's Roar - December 05/12/25

A Festive and Busy December at KPNS

Dear Parents and Carers,

The run-up to Christmas is now well underway, and there is a lovely sense of excitement around school as the children prepare for performances, special events and our Christmas Fair. This week's *Dragon's Roar* brings together everything you need to stay up to date — from our “What's Happening, When” guide to the festive season to reminders about Christmas Jumper Day, the panto trip, and all the key dates coming up

You'll also find information about Year 5 and Year 6 Bikeability, an update from the Friends of KPNS, and a celebration of the maturity shown by our pupils who completed the DAaRT programme this term

Alongside these highlights, we are sharing a short note from the office, details of our Bronze Reading Award, safeguarding guidance for families, and the latest opportunities from the Family Hub Network.

As always, thank you for your continued support during this busy and joyful part of the school year.

Kind regards,

Mr Cresswell and Mrs King

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Christmas at KPNS- What's Happening, When!



Christmas is always such a joyful and busy time of the year. We have put together a (hopefully) helpful list of what's going on when.

- **Saturday 6th of December**- Festivities Day in the Village. Our gorgeous choir are singing at 2:45 (meeting at 2:30) and the Friends will be selling mulled wine and treats nearby.
- **Tuesday 9th of December**- Morning Christmas Performance-9:30am(Book y`our tickets on Arbor)
- **Wednesday 10th of December**- Afternoon-2pm and Evening Performances-6pm (Book your tickets on Arbor) ***FOR THE EVENING PERFORMANCE, PLEASE CAN ALL CHILDREN BE BACK IN SCHOOL BY 5:45pm.***
- **Friday 12th of December**- A SUPER BUSY DAY- Christmas Jumper Day (see below for what we would like children to bring), School Christmas Dinner Day AND our KPNS CHRISTMAS FAIR 3:30-5pm (See below on how to book for Santa).
- **Wednesday 17th of December**- Whole School Trip to the Panto- Letter sent out last week. (Consent and payment on Arbor). [!\[\]\(86b7331e04fe40a56bcff2e9c065738b_img.jpg\) KPNS Is Going to the Panto! - Keyworth Primary & Nursery School](#)

Bikeability



Great News! We are pleased to inform you that we will be offering Bikeability cycle training to **Year 5** pupils in April and **Year 6** Pupils in June. To enrol your child, please complete the Cycle Consent form using one of the links below. If you're unable to complete the form online, please get in touch as soon as possible.

[Bikeability Training for Year 5 & 6 - Keyworth Primary & Nursery School](#)

Here is an update from the Friends of KPNS:



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- Tomorrow we will be selling mulled wine, hot chocolate and other treats at the village festivities day. Please pop along and see us in the square!
- If you would like to offer your support to school on a more regular basis, check out our school lottery page. You can win some great prizes whilst supporting our school!
[Our School Lottery- Buy your tickets here! - Keyworth Primary & Nursery School](#)
- Our next discounted Panthers match- [Nottingham Panthers Vs Fife Flyers - Keyworth Primary & Nursery School](#)

- To help us make our Christmas Fair the best one yet, please check out the flyer. Thank you for your support in advance.







DAaRT

We are incredibly proud of our Year 5 and 6 pupils who recently completed the DAaRT programme. This valuable programme helps children develop skills such as confidence, decision-making, resilience and the ability to manage peer pressure. At their graduation, our pupils spoke with maturity, honesty and pride about what they had learned, impressing everyone with their thoughtful reflections and confident presentations. Well done to all involved – a fantastic achievement!





A note from the office...

A few reminders from Mrs Buttery.

- Please ensure that all payments are up to date for trips, residentials (Year 3 and Year 6), dinner money etc.
- A reminder that the office is often not manned between 12-1pm as we are busy with lunchtime. Please avoid calling or popping in at this point if at all possible.
- Moving forward, we will be locking the back gate after school clubs have finished at about 4:30pm.

Thank you!

Have you got your Bronze Reading Award yet?

Over the Autumn Term we have been working towards our Bronze Reading Awards. We would love for all our children to get theirs before Christmas. Here is a reminder of what they need to do...

EYFS and KS1- Every time you read with a grown up, colour in one of the stepping stones at the back of your home/school book on the Bronze Award page.

KS2- At the back of your home/school book you have 10 Bronze challenges to complete. Bring what you have done into school to share with Mrs King and your teacher.

Once you complete your Bronze Reading Award Page, show your teacher and you will receive your reward. Don't forget, we don't start silver until after Christmas!

Family Hub Highlights for Local Families

Rushcliffe Family Hub Network – Free Support and Events for Local Families

The Family Hub continues to offer practical, friendly support for parents and carers across Rushcliffe. Below are some opportunities that may be helpful to families over the next few weeks.

Free Reading Group Starting January 2026

The Inspire Education Library Service is offering a friendly, free group for adults who enjoy children's books and want fresh ideas for supporting reading at home.

The launch session is on **Thursday 15 January 2026**, 4.00–5.15pm, with further sessions running online through the spring.

A Reminder of What the Family Hub Can Offer

The Rushcliffe Family Hub provides free support for families with children aged 0–19, including:

- Advice on child development, sleep and behaviour
- Help with early communication and routines
- Links to local support groups and services

- Friendly guidance for families needing a bit of extra help

If you'd like to find out more:

Contact the Rushcliffe Family Hub:

 0115 977 3749  FHRushcliffe@nottscc.gov.uk

 www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/care/family-hub-networks

 Search *Family Hub Network – Rushcliffe* on Facebook

Safeguarding Tips for Parents and Carers

Helping Children Spot Online Scams in Games

Many children love playing online games like Roblox, but some players use scams — such as fake giveaways or “trust trades” — to trick others into sharing personal details or in-game items. These scams can upset any child, but neurodivergent children may be especially at risk, as they can find it harder to recognise when something isn't genuine.

To support families, Internet Matters, in partnership with Ambitious about Autism and Roblox, have created new, practical resources to help parents and children learn how to stay safe.

The pack includes:

- A clear guide for parents
- A short video for children and young people
- Stories and discussion ideas for families to explore together

You can find all these free resources here:

 [Internet Matters – Online Scams Awareness for Neurodivergent Children](#)

Talking about scams helps every child enjoy online play safely and confidently.

Dates for your Diary



Saturday 6th December- Festivities Day in the Village (*Our PTA will be there and our choir will be singing at 2:30!!*)

Tuesday 9th December- Morning Christmas Performance

Wednesday 10th December- Afternoon and Evening Christmas Performances

Friday 12th December- Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day

Friday 12th December- KPNS Christmas Fair-3:30-5pm

Wednesday 17th December- Whole School Trip to the Panto (F2-Y6)

Click on the link for school holiday dates for the next academic year: [Keyworth Primary and Nursery School - Term Dates](#)

A quick update to let you know that all INSET days for the 2025-26 academic year are now on the school calendar and can also be found in the [School Holiday](#) section on the website.