



Dragon's Roar- Sept- 04/09/26

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to all our families, both old and new, to the wonderful Keyworth Primary and Nursery School community. It has been such a pleasure to welcome everyone back this week, and I have been incredibly proud of how well the children have settled into the new academic year.

They have looked super smart, and our classrooms have been calm, purposeful and full of learning. Our teachers have been so impressed with the children's positive attitudes, excellent behaviour and how quickly they have got back into their routines.

As always, there is never a dull moment at Keyworth Primary! We have lots of exciting learning, events and experiences planned, and I am really looking forward to everything the year ahead will bring.

Please remember that our main ways of keeping families up to date are through our **fortnightly Dragon's Roar newsletter** and your child's **class blog page**. For our Foundation families, please also make sure you have access to **Tapestry**, where we will share updates about your child's learning and experiences.

Thank you for your continued support. I am so excited to be starting this journey with you all, and I look forward to an **amazing year ahead together!**

Warm regards,

Mrs King

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The Keyworth Code





Meet our Senior Leadership Team

There are a few changes to our Senior Leadership Team this academic year, so we wanted to introduce everyone and make sure you know who is who.

Mrs King – Headteacher & Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Mrs King is our Headteacher and DSL, overseeing the strategic leadership of the school and safeguarding.

Mrs Gerrard – SENDCO & Foundation Lead

Mrs Gerrard leads our SEND provision and Foundation Stage, supporting children and families to ensure every child gets the right support to thrive.

Mrs Storey – Curriculum Lead

Mrs Storey leads our curriculum, ensuring that our children receive a rich, ambitious and engaging learning experience.

Together, Mrs King, Mrs Gerrard and Mrs Storey form our **Senior Leadership Team**. We are always happy to listen, answer questions and support you with any queries you may have.

Mrs Jones – Pastoral Lead & Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Mrs Jones works closely with children and families, supporting wellbeing, attendance and pastoral needs. She will also be making contact with our new starters and their families to help you settle into school, share useful information and give you an opportunity to ask any questions.

Uniform Reminder

It has been lovely to see everyone back looking **super smart!** 🌟

Wearing our school uniform helps children to feel **proud to be part of our school community** and sets a positive tone for the school day.

A quick reminder that children should wear **school shoes or wholly black, trainer-style shoes**. Please do not send children to school in trainers.

Our full **school uniform policy** can be found on the school website.

Thank you for your continued support!

[School Uniform - Keyworth Primary & Nursery School](#)

Homework Expectations

Our homework is carefully designed to **take the minimum time for the maximum impact**. Children who engage positively with homework develop strong self-management skills, make good progress and are better prepared for the next stage of their education. **Please**

support us in supporting your child by prioritising homework and establishing a positive, consistent routine at home.

You can find our homework expectations here: [Homework - Keyworth Primary & Nursery School](#)

Note: Your child's doodle password will be stuck in their home-school book.

Forest Schools for F1-Y2!



We are so lucky to be able to offer Forest School provision as part of our curriculum offer for children in F1-Y2. Here is a rough schedule of when each class is having their sessions.

Autumn Term 1- F2 (***First session 11th of September***)

Autumn Term 2- Y1

Spring Term 1- Y2

Spring Term 2- F1

Summer Term 1- F2/ Y1

Summer Term 2- Y2/ F1

Please see the flyer from Grow Wild giving you more information about what the children will be doing and what they will need. Your class teacher will inform you of the full session details.



Here is an update from the Friends of KPNS:



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We're back and already have some AMAZING activities planned for the children!

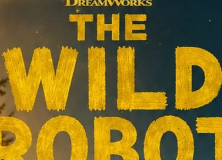
- Thursday 10th of September is our first movie night for children in Years 1-6. Book on via Arbor.
- September 25th of September - A COLOUR RUN!! Available to all children F1-Y6. Book via Arbor.
- If you would like to offer your support to school on a more regular basis, check out our school lottery page. You can win some great prizes whilst supporting our school!
[Our School Lottery- Buy your tickets here! - Keyworth Primary & Nursery School](#)

COLOUR RUN AT KPNS

PARENTS/CARERS MAY STAND AT THE SIDE AND JOIN IN WITH THE THROWING OF PAINT POWDER

SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT!

3:30pm - 5:00pm

A movie poster for "The Wild Robot". At the top, the DreamWorks logo is visible. Below it, the title "THE WILD ROBOT" is written in large, bold, yellow, hand-painted style letters. The background of the poster shows a robot standing on a sandy beach, looking out at the ocean under a blue sky with clouds. The robot is a small, yellow, boxy creature with a single eye and a small antenna. The overall tone is bright and adventurous.

DREAMWORKS

THE
WILD
ROBOT

WITH A
MOODOMETER
TRACKER!

How are you feeling?

	FURIOUS
	UPSET
	WORRIED
	HAPPY
	CALM

A drink and a snack will be provided!

RELAX, ENJOY & HAVE FUN!

OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN
Years 1 to 6

£2.50
£2.50
PER CHILD

BOOK YOUR PLACE
on Arbor

**A DRINK &
SNACK PROVIDED!**

Safeguarding Tips for Parents

Keeping Children Safe on Mobile Phones

We expect that the majority of primary aged pupil will not have mobile phones but it is important that if your child access to a mobile phone, you know how to keep them safe. Mobile phones can be a great way for children to communicate, play and explore, but it is important that we help them use them safely and responsibly.

1. Keep talking

Regularly ask your child about the apps, games and websites they use. Talk about what they enjoy and anything that makes them feel uncomfortable. Agree clear boundaries around phone and screen time and encourage regular breaks and offline activities.

2. Know the age restrictions

Age restrictions are there to protect children. Parents should be aware that the following popular apps are **not suitable for primary-age children**:

- TikTok – 13+
- Snapchat – 13+
- Instagram – 13+
- WhatsApp – 16+

Please do not allow primary-age children to use these platforms, even if friends or classmates are using them.

3. Check safety settings together

Explore privacy settings with your child and consider who can contact them or see what they share. Use screen-time limits, content filters and parental controls where appropriate.

4. Make it safe to talk

Let your child know they **won't be in trouble for telling you about something that has happened online**. If they encounter something worrying, stay calm, listen and help them block, report or remove harmful content.

5. Keep checking in

Online safety isn't a one-off conversation. As children grow, new apps, games and online trends emerge. Keep talking, stay informed and adapt your guidance as your child becomes more independent.

Our biggest message: talk, listen and reassure. If something goes wrong online, children need to know that they can always come to an adult for help.

Useful online safety resources

Thinkuknow – Parents

[Thinkuknow Parents](#) offers advice and guidance on all areas of children's online behaviour, including **online gaming, social networking, sharing content and communicating online**.

Your children will be familiar with the **child-friendly version of Thinkuknow**, which we use in school. Why not ask your child to show you around the site and help you navigate it together?

For further information about individual apps, parents can also explore:

- [TikTok – ConnectSafely guide](#)
- [TikTok – Common Sense Media review](#)
- [TikTok – Net Aware guide](#)
- [WhatsApp – Common Sense Media review](#)
- [Snapchat – Common Sense Media review](#)

Family Hub Highlights for Local Families

Dates for your Diary



Monday 7th September- Year 1 Phonics Meeting 3:40 in the classroom.

Thursday 10th September- Movie Night for children in Y1-6.

Thursday 17th September- Year 6 Partake History Day in School WW2

Friday 18th September (3:10pm)- Year 1 Class Assembly, parents welcome.

Wednesday 23rd September- Year 1 Partake Toys of the past day.

Friday 25th September- Friends of KPNS Colour Run.

Monday 28th September- Flu Vaccinations F2-Y6

Thursday 1st October- National Poetry Day

Monday 5th October- Harvest Festival (9:10- Families welcome to join us).

Tuesday 6th October- Year 4 Trip to the Deep

Thursday 6th October- Friends of KPNS AGM- all welcome. Details TBC.

Thursday 8th October- Friends of KPNS Halloween Disco.

Friday 9th October- Year 5 Mining Trip.

Monday 12th and Thursday 15th of October- Parents Evening

Please note: Mrs King and Mrs Buttery have tried to populate the school website for all main school events this year including shows, parents' evenings, trips, events etc. You can see them all here: [Calendar of Events - Keyworth Primary & Nursery School](#)

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 2026-27 academic year are now on the school calendar and can also be found in the [School Holiday](#) section on the website. Please note children are expected back in school on WEDNESDAY 2nd of SEPTEMBER.