



**ST KEYNA PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of another very busy half term and I think I speak for all the staff when I say we're ready for a well-earned rest!

### Oracy

Our new focus on oracy is really beginning to pay off. The children are becoming more confident speakers and are better able to join in class discussions; listening to one another, instigating ideas, building on one another's ideas and even respectfully challenging each other's ideas. We have even been having whole-school discussions in Monday's assemblies, in which I have been very impressed with their levels of articulation and confidence to speak. Around and about the school, we are encouraging the children to be polite, friendly and use their manners. This might be at the dinner hatch, whilst walking through the corridors, or at the office and the children have really been taking this onboard, giving school an even more friendly feel.

### Attendance

As I mentioned last time, attendance is one of our main school priorities, as we have lower than national average attendance. I am pleased to say that our levels of attendance are slowly improving and we are now very close to national levels. Please note, however, that I cannot authorise any holiday requests (except under very exceptional circumstances). For more information please see our [Attendance Strategy](#) and the [DfE Working Together to improve attendance](#) document.

### Recruitment

Previously, I shared that we have Governor approval to create two small Year 1 classes and two small Year 2 classes for our current Reception and Year 1 cohort. In the first round of applications, we successfully recruited a new teacher, Miss Stagg, who we look forward to welcoming to the team. We have readvertised to recruit a second teacher for the other KS1 class (interviews are the first week back), after which I hope to be able to give you a clear picture of who will be teaching what and where next year.



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Our calendar is quickly filling up for next term, please do keep checking our [website](#) for the latest updates.

**Forthcoming dates:**

Mon 1st Jun	INSET Day
Tues 2nd Jun	Start of Term 6
Fri 5th June	iRock assembly (see letter sent on Dojo)
Fri 5th June	Interhouse Run
Mon 8th June	PAPAYA (Parents Against Phone Addiction in Young Adults) workshops for KS2
Tues 9th June	Year 3 trip to Bath City Farm
Wed 10th June	Year 5 Bristol Together Football program Purposeful Playoffs
Fri 12th Jun	EYFS Wear Yellow Day in support of Cystic Fibrosis
Mon 15th June	Local Police in for whole school assembly followed by Yr 6 'Crime & Consequences'
Tues 16th June	Year 6 to Lifeskills and proposed KS1 trip to Noah's Ark Zoo Farm
Fri 19th Jun	FOSK Summer Fair and proposed new building opening.
Tues 23rd Jun	Parent Forum
Tues 23rd Jun	Keynsham Library assembly about the Summer Reading Challenge
Thurs 25th June	St Keyna Festival of Music
Mon 29th Jun	Sports Day at St John's Primary ( <i>unfortunately we're not allowed to use our new field until September 😞</i> )
Tues 30th Jun	Year 6 trip to Primary Music Festival
Thurs 2nd July	Year 6 Transition Day and 'Moving up' morning
Wed 15th July	FOSK Disco
Mon 20th July	Pupil's Annual Reports sent out
Wed 22nd July	End of Term 6

Have a lovely half term and I hope you can all enjoy the warm weather!

Best wishes

Mr. Eaton  
Acting Headteacher