

Vocabulary:

Did you know this phrase was created by Shakespeare? Can you use it this week?

Short shrift — She'll give short shrift to such a weak argument!!! Little and unsympathetic attention Richard III, Act 3 Scene 4

Our VALUES

This week we are thinking about being RESPONSIBLE.

This week at Keresley Newland!

Dear Families,

To begin with some exciting news.....we now have a account for Keresley Newland . Please follow us, we hope you enjoy sharing more of our updates this way as well as on Facebook and Instagram. ENJOY!!!

Don't forget:
Friday morning
stay and read in
Sunnyside and
Neptune Bay!
8.50—9.10

Zuckerman's Farm and Music are our focus classes for our news this week.

Zuckerman's Farm have been getting ready for our Bingo Event next Wednesday by playing a game of Times Table Bingo! Miss Elston was rehearsing her best Bingo voice while the

children were practising their Times Tables!





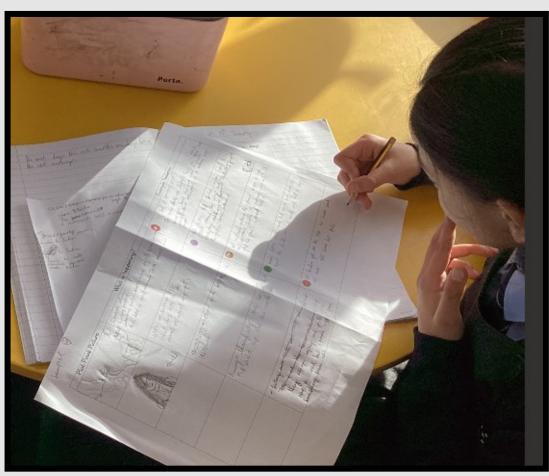


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Year 3 have been planning their own independent writes about escaping a volcanic eruption in Pompeii. They have been focusing on the different features that they are going to include in their stories and have blown Miss Elston away with some of their planned sentences.

She can't wait to read their stories next week!





Attendance: Don't forget... we are inviting you to join the...

BIG EASTER PRIZE GIVING FOR 100% ATTENDANCE.

Every child who gets 100% for the next half term will win an Easter Egg!

Currently attendance is sitting at 91% and this is well-below national average. We are aiming for 95% for the year. We have some children who are persistently absent with attendance well below 90%. Please make a big effort to get children into school and in on time. Every day and every lesson counts towards learning and best outcomes.



This week we are going to share **Music News** from Mrs. Larkin.

Adventure have been busy practicing their Ukulele chords this term, playing along with some funky backing tracks! Fun fact: did you know.... in Hawaiian, 'ukulele' means 'jumping flea'. Joao Fernandes sailed from Madeira to Hawaii with his ukulele in August of 1879, and the local Hawaiians thought that his hands resembled a jumping flea as he performed to them!

Year 5's first keyboard lesson with Mrs Larkin went very well and everyone enjoyed working in pairs to work out a melody! We look forward to more keyboard lessons next term!

This week's singing assembly was about the Chinese New Year which starts on February 10th. 2024 will be the Year of the Dragon, and so we learnt a New Year song called Gong Xi, which means 'Good Wishes'.

恭喜 (Gong Xi)

Every street and every lane

Everyone is greeting

When we meet and say hello

They all greet to gong xi

Gong xi, gong xi, gong xi ni ya





Gong xi, gong xi, gong xi ni



Top scores this week

are:

Sahara - Y1

Isabell - Y4

Grayson - Y3





Rockstars this week are:

Mithun, Delano, Gurshan, Tereza and Zahid.



Accelerated Reader:

Brooklyn, Keira, Mason and Dorothy are the top readers so far this term.

Well done and keep up with the reading.



Mathseeds:

Meredith, Delilah and Jesse are top of the leader board this week.

Well done and keep working on your maths skills.



Staffing Update:

Mrs. Hayward is returning to Neptune Bay after the half term break. She has been into school today to see the children. She has asked me to let you know that she has been absent due to nursing her father who has been extremely ill and has sadly passed away.

We have a huge thank-you to say to Mrs. Webb and Miss Morris who have taught the children since Christmas - they have been amazing as ever!!!

Key School Improvement News:

Reading...

We have continued to focus on reading this week, with all of the children seeing how well they have made progress in their phonics. We are really pleased with how well they are doing.

Please support this at home by hearing your child read and by sharing stories with your child.

Neptune Bay and Sunnyside - please remember to stay and read with your child on a Friday morning 8.50—9.10.

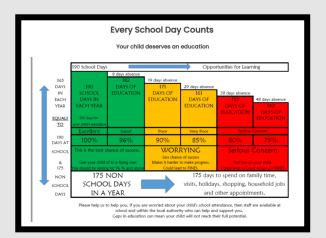
Reading opens the door to all learning, and is the biggest key to success.



Top tip for Online Safety:

Help your child create strong and hack-proof passwords as passwords are the primary defence against malicious actors on the internet.



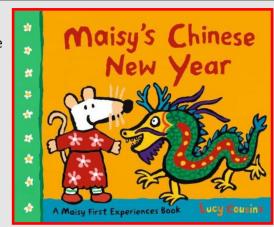


Would your child like to learn a musical instrument? Manhattan Music are able to provide lessons on guitar, ukulele, piano and recorder and there are some spaces still available for starters in the sessions. Please get in touch by sending a message to manhattanmusic.coventry@gmail.com for more information. The sessions are for children in year 1 and above. http://www.manhattanmusiccoventry.com

This week's BOOK RECOMMENDATION:

Maisy is celebrating one of the world's biggest festivals: Chinese New Year! From hanging up lanterns to receiving lucky red packets and joining in the dragon dance at the parade, this bright and colourful storybook is a perfect introduction to the many joys of Chinese New Year.

Maisy's friend Tiger is coming home especially for Chinese New Year! Once the house is tidy and the decorations are up, Maisy changes into her lovely red dress and throws a big party for all her friends. They have a delicious feast, tell stories, see the



fireworks together and, on new year's day, watch a spectacular parade – with an amazing dragon dance!

Dates for the Diary—Keresley Newland:

Date	Event	Year Group
8th January - 18th March	Swimming	Year 3 & 4 - Zuckerman's Farm
11th March - 13th March	PGL Residential Trip	Year 6
W/c 8th April	Nursery Summer Intake	Nursery
w/c 20th May	Bikeability - Level 1 & 2	Year 5
18th June`	Class Photographs	All school
5th November (TBC)	Individual School Photographs	All school

Personal Data:

It is your responsibility to keep your contact details up to date with the school office. Please note you can opt in or out of photo permissions at any time by contacting the school office or through studybugs.

Parking:

Our children's safety is our main priority and this includes their journey to and from school. No parking is permitted in the staff carpark. Please park around the school respectfully and not over private driveways. We would encourage walking to school where possible. It is not only great exercise, but also good for the environment.

Mobile Phones and Photographs whilst on the school site:

Keep mobile phones out of sight of children. You are not permitted to use mobile phones during the working day or to take photographs of children on personal devices. You must refrain from posting photos or recordings on social media, websites or any public forum.

Thank you for reading our news for the week, and we look forward to our next exciting week in school.

Mrs Penlington and all at Keresley Newland.