

John Keats
Primary School

JK News

Monday 10th November 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed a refreshing and well-deserved half-term break. A huge thank you for your fantastic efforts in getting the children through the gates before 8:50am each morning. Your support truly makes a difference.

We are still aiming to strengthen overall attendance, but one class that certainly rose to the challenge was the amazing Blue 1. They secured the year's first attendance reward with an impressive 97.4% attendance across the first half term. Well done, Blue 1.

Our next attendance award is now up for grabs, ready to be claimed by the class with the strongest attendance in the lead-up to the Christmas break. Let's keep up the momentum.

A reminder that this Friday (14th November) is a Pyjama party organised by the PTA. We look forward to seeing you all there- more information can be found below!

Matt Rose
Headteacher

Autumn term key dates

- ❖ Monday 10th- 14th November 2025: Parent/carer week
- ❖ Wednesday 19th November 2025: EYFS & KS1 Values trip to Unicorn theatre
- ❖ Thursday 20th November 2025: School Photos
- ❖ Thursday 20th November 2025 at 2.00pm: Reception open afternoon
- ❖ Wednesday 26th November 2025: KS2 Values pantomime
- ❖ Thursday 2nd December 2025 at 9.30am: Reception open morning
- ❖ Wednesday 10th December 2025 at 9.30am: KS1 Winter Concert
- ❖ Wednesday 10th December 2025 at 2.00pm: KS2 Winter Concert
- ❖ Friday 12th December 2025: Christmas lunch
- ❖ Wednesday 17th December 2025 at 9.30am: EYFS Winter Concert
- ❖ Thursday 18th December 2025: Wellbeing Day
- ❖ Friday 19th December 2025: Last day of term/ Break up at 1pm

Attendance

Attendance at John Keats!

At John Keats, we love to celebrate great Attendance Matters at John Keats!

- ✨ Come to school 5 days in a row and your name goes on the Wheel of Fortune!
- ✨ Each week, 3 lucky winners per phase spin the wheel and choose a prize from the treasure chest of goodies!
- ✨ The class with the best attendance each week goes on the leaderboard.
- ✨ At the end of term, the winning class enjoys a special trip to the park with SLT!
- ♥ Every day counts — will YOU be our next winner? ♥

144 Club!

✨ Join the 144 Club! ✨

Can you master all 144 times tables facts (1–12)?

- 🎯 Earn a 144 badge as you get quicker and more confident
 - 💡 Build a strong foundation for tricky maths problems
 - 👏 Celebrate your success on a whole school display
 - 👉 Practice, improve, achieve — and have fun along the way!
- Who's ready for the challenge? 1 2 3 4 ✨



Always Club



✨ Always Club at John Keats! ✨

We're thrilled to share some exciting news—Always Club has arrived at John Keats!

Each week, our teachers choose one child from their class who is always showing our school values—being kind, respectful, empathetic, resilient, and giving their best every day. These superstar role models are then invited to join our special Always Club celebration.

During the session, children enjoy 30 minutes of fun-packed activities, from colouring in and drawing, to building with LEGO and Megablocks, to exciting games like table tennis. The laughter and smiles say it all—it's quickly becoming a highlight of the week for both the pupils and Coach Gilly!

Always Club is our way of celebrating those children who live out our values every single day. We're so proud of their efforts, and we can't wait to see who will be joining the fun next week!

Nursery



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Nursery have had a lovely week starting to look at London, the city where we live. We are starting to learn some of the famous landmarks that we are excited to see on our boat trip this week. We have made a model and collages of Tower Bridge. We have also been practising our counting by building towers of cubes.

We are off on a boat trip down the Thames on Wednesday 12th November.

Reception

Reception have had a fantastic week settling back in after half term. We have started thinking about our new project question: "Why does it get dark at night?" and have been reading Funnybones. We loved learning about skeletons, drawing characters from the book and looking at different x-rays.

Always club:

BR - Sultan, for being a great influence on his friends.

GR: Mpilo- Always trying his best!

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Year 1



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What a lovely first half of the autumn term! Our new project question is 'How has how we play changed over the years?' We will be comparing toys from the past to now and looking at the different materials they are made from. Our new text is 'Lost in the toy museum'. In maths, we have been learning about number bonds within 10. PE is on Tuesdays this half term. In phonics, we have been learning these sounds this week - /au/ (author), /ey/ (money), split digraph /a-e/ (name) and split digraph /e-e/ (extreme). eBooks with the sounds for the week are assigned every Friday.

Always club:

G1 Matthew - For always answering questions during the maths carpet sessions.

B1 Sdan - finishing her work on time and always trying her best.

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Year 2 have had an amazing start to the new half term! In English, we started looking at our new book 'The Great Fire of London.' In History, we learnt more information about the Great Fire of London. We also analysed different sources such as artefacts and paintings and learnt what they told us about the past. In Maths, we learnt how to add two two-digit numbers using base ten to help. In PSHE, we learnt what to do in an emergency and what to say when we call 999.

Always club:

G2 Sahar- For always showing she is ready for learning and trying her best especially in maths. B2 Sahil - For showing excellent focus, positivity and resilience all week!

Year 3



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The children have returned ready to learn and it has been a pleasure to watch them engage with our new topics. The children have shown a keen interest in our new book 'Stone Age Boy' in English, and seem very interested in learning more. In Maths we have been learning how to add 2 and 3 digit numbers. Overall, they seem very settled and engaged with learning. The children seem very interested in learning about the stone age and comparing with their own experience.

Always club:

B3 Harper and Aizah- For showing resilience and perseverance in their work and having a great attitude to learning.

G3 Amara constant display of excellent learning behaviour and fantastic work ethic.

Year 2



Year 4



Year 4 has had an amazing first week back to school. We have started to talk about our new project 'How have humans explored?'. In English, we have started to read about Shackleton's journey to the Antarctica which the kids are really excited to learn more about his voyage. In maths, we have to learning how to calculate the area within a shape. In science, we have been learning all about teeth and their various functions.

Always club:

IBLue 4 zan - For doing the right thing in class and showing good listening.

Green 4 - Jone-Julius for always working hard and engaging in every lesson. As well as being a very kind and emphatic pupil to his classmates.

Year 5



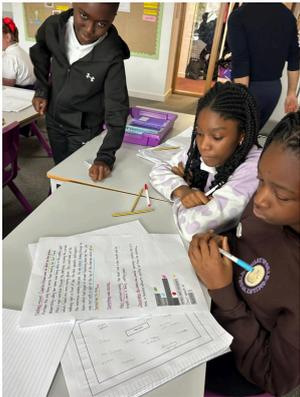
We've had a great start back in Year 5! We have started looking at our new focus of the term, World War 2, and have been learning about the key events and locating allied and axis powers on a map. In maths, we have been looking at squared and cubed numbers. We have started looking at our new artist this term, Henry Moore. In PSHE, we learned about staying safe online and how to protect our digital footprint. We also started our cricket training on Friday and learned all about how to catch a ball correctly. We had a fantastic time!

Always club:

Year 5 - Ali, for being focused and on task!



Year 6



Year 6 have had a great start to the new half term! Its been wonderful to see the enthusiasm they have come back with after the half term. This week we have started a new book called Children of the Benin Kingdom and are really enjoying it. In Maths we have been learning about angles and using protractors. We have also been learning about Nigeria and the City of Benin! Green 6 enjoyed their swimming session on Friday. Green 6 have their trip on Wednesday to The British Musuem, Blue 6 will be having theirs later this half term. Can children please do the next 2 pages in their homework books.

Always club:

B6 Jake for always doing the right thing!

G6 Dua for always being on task!

John Keats' Values Stickers



Y1

	G1 - Matthew and Jeremy	G1 - Zephaniah		
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Y2

B2 - Anastasia, Ella	G2-Reyansh B2 Ezekiel, Victoria	B2 Zuriel, Arad, Mia G2 Joshua		G2 Alessia B2 - Sahil, Kadeen
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Y3

B3- Cassie		B3- Kiara		B3- Emely, Harper, Aizah, Carter
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Y4

Destiny				
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Y5

Aaron, Hollie, Kayne, Deborah	Jamal, Ariah, Kayne	Kayne	Jamal, Anthony	
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Y6

Luana, Makar	Diana, Isabella, Aydan, Oscar, Rory, Godsglory, Jake, Isaac, Joel, Myla, Sophie	Amil, Maram	Mya, Arella, Diana, Michael	Faryal, Sienna, Brooke, Kahmari	Sienna, Kaleb
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JOHN KEATS' PTA



In other good news we now have our very own John Keats Pantry Cupboard! Storage is always at a premium within the school and so to have a cupboard dedicated to the initiative shows the level of support and value the Leadership team and school community put in the idea of the school Pantry. The whole reason for this starting was so we can help each other by working together to create something useful. The Pantry is for anyone who needs it. The PTA collect and maintain the items but the School administers it, so if you wish to make use of it please contact the Office or the Pastoral Care team



Dyslexia series: Emotional Regulation - Big Feelings, Real Tools

Wednesday 12 November 2025
19:30 – 20:30

Bell House Dulwich
27 College Rd, England, SE21 7BG, United
Kingdom ([map](#))

Support Their Emotions, Strengthen Their World

Emotional regulation isn't just about calming down—it's about helping neurodivergent children feel understood and in control. In this session, you'll learn why your role is vital and how simple strategies can lead to big breakthroughs in behaviour, learning, and connection.

Understanding emotional regulation is crucial for parents of neurodivergent children because it helps their child feel safer, manage stress, and navigate the world more effectively. When parents support emotional regulation, they build stronger connections, reduce meltdowns, and empower their child to learn, grow, and thrive in their own unique way.

For children with neurodivergent minds, emotions can feel overwhelming. Helping your child understand and manage their feelings builds confidence, reduces anxiety, and supports their ability to learn and connect. As a parent, your support makes all the difference—nurturing not just calm, but lifelong resilience.

This talk is FREE, however, registration is required.



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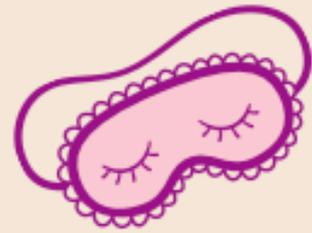
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JOHN KEATS' PTA PRESENTS

**14TH
NOV**



3.15PM - 5PM



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PYJAMA *Party*

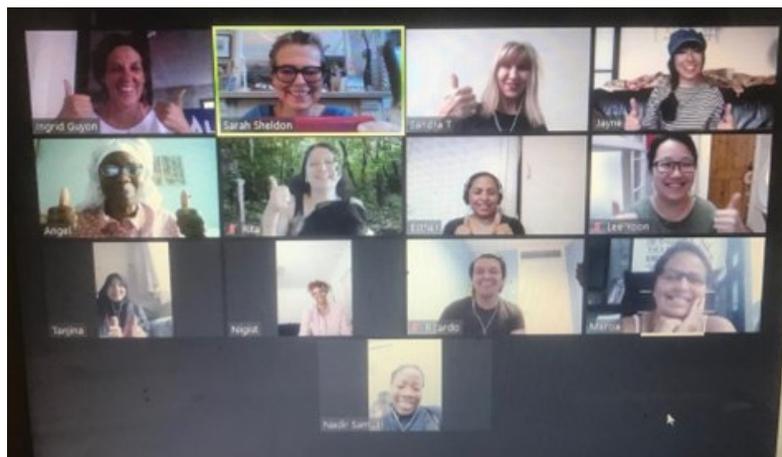
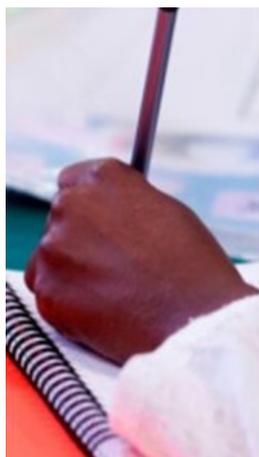
COME IN YOUR COMFIEST PJS AND HAVE A BOOGIE!

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED
CASH ONLY

PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT BOTH
CHILDREN IN NEED & THE PTA FUND

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(Days of classes will depend on your level)

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(term-time only)

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please use this link or QR code:

<https://tinyurl.com/2v3zn2za>

Spaces are limited so **book soon**.

We will contact you to arrange an assessment and confirm your place on the course.

