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Word of the Month: 

EXHILARATING

Can you use it in a sentence?
Win a raffle ticket for using the word in your writing in KS2 and in your spoken conversations in KS1.

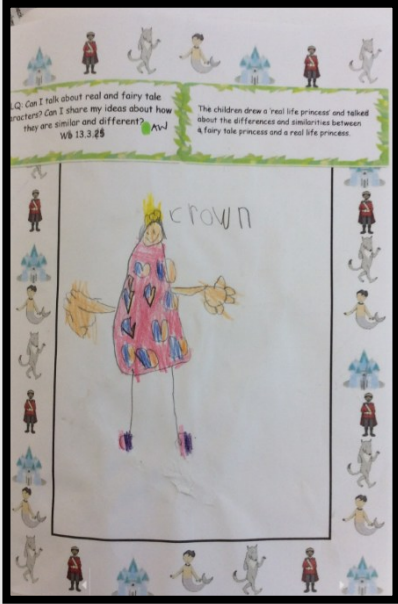
Definition:
exhilaration - feeling of extreme happiness, excitement.
The ride was exhilarating.
I felt exhilaration after the rollercoaster ride.

This week at Keresley Newland!

Dear Families,

The year seems to be flying by as ever. We have implemented a new routine this week for lunch and breaktimes which is going well. The children are spending lunch and break with their new house team and so are making new friends across the school. We are also trying a refined version of our Peg Behaviour System, which is going really well for most of our children. The new system allows us to much more clearly recognise great behaviour during the day and also more clearly gives the opportunity for children to make the right choice for the rest of the session, and for this to be reflected on the class chart.

We start the week with **Sunnyside**, where the children have been listening to traditional Fairy Tales. They have also been learning about Little Red Riding Hood. They have been fascinated to find out about real and fairy tale kings, queens, princes and princesses as part of Expert Learning. The children's own princesses which they drew were great!



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Language, Learning, Lives!

RESponsible
Empathetic
Successful
Problem Solvers
Enterprising
Collaborative
Together



Arts Mark News:

This week we are celebrating ArtsMark work with Pride Rock Artists!





Key Priorities 2024 - 2025

Continued Development

Key NEW Priorities



To ensure behaviour remains positive and the needs of challenging children are met.

To ensure all children attend school regularly, following the new guidance.

To continue to prioritise Early Reading, and reading fluency (phonics)

To improve writing across the school, with a focus on **Talk for Writing**.

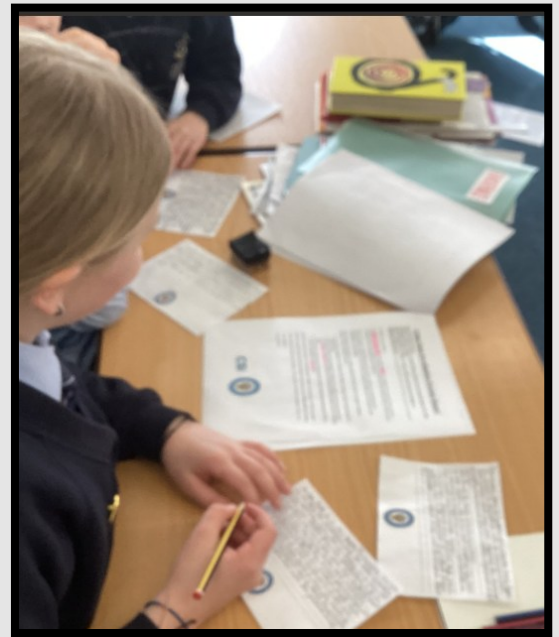
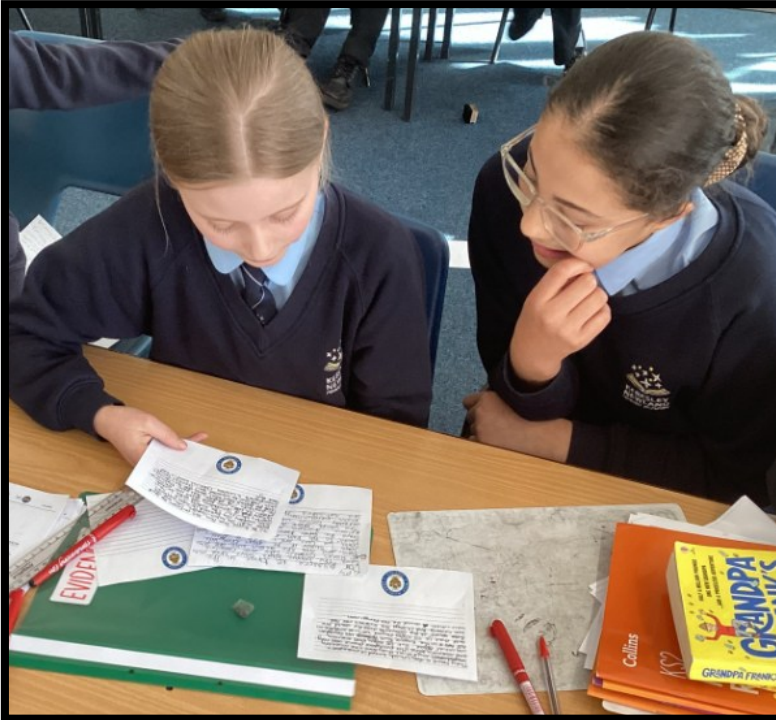
To continue curriculum development, based on Language, Learning, Lives.

To ensure all children are fluent in number facts and times tables.

To secure ArtsMark re-accreditation for Silver/Gold.

For oracy to be embedded across the school day, and for the children to be confident and articulate.

Kensuke's Kingdom bringing their reading and evidence gathering skills to crack the case of the mysterious murder of DJ Higgy.



Year 6 have a new positive points system to earn rewards ready for post SATS tests. This started on Wednesday of this week. **We are rewarding children for the effort they make in school and in completing their homework.**

POST SATS REWARD

DOJO RESET — TODAY

Earn Dojo points for trying your best.

Earn Dojo points for increasing your scaled score—10 points per point.

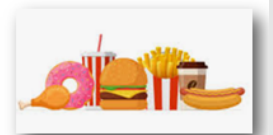


REWARDS to be organised AFTER SATS WEEK.

550 Points - Tech Take Over Day



500 Points - PE afternoon



450 Points - Meal Treat



400 Points - Dance Afternoon



350 Points - Art Afternoon

Date	Test
Monday 12 May 2025	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 13 May 2025	English reading
Wednesday 14 May 2025	Maths papers 1 and 2
Thursday 15 May 2025	Maths paper 3

Meet the Team



My name's Lucie. You'll find me in the admin office meeting and greeting all of our school visitors when I'm not running errands around the school!

I've worked at Keresley Newland for 18 months. This is my first job in a school. Prior to this I had worked in various HR roles for more than 20 years! I worked as a flight attendant for Virgin Atlantic for a couple of years in my twenties and so was fortunate to travel to some far away destinations with that job including to Japan, China, India, America and lots of the Caribbean. I've worked as a florist, in hospitality and retail and prior to joining the team at Keresley Newland for an Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Support Charity.

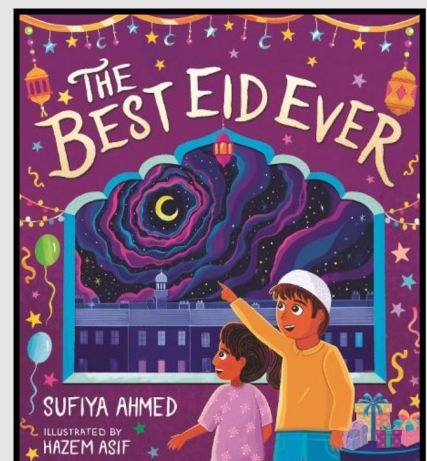
I have two young daughters and a grown-up step-daughter and stepson. I'm also a step-nanny!

In my spare time I really enjoy open water swimming especially in the winter! I started this hobby three years ago. I'm passionate about the health benefits of cold water for mental and physical health and am always happy to talk about this or to help anyone to try it out if they feel curious enough to!

I love being a part of the team here at Keresley Newland. It feels a real privilege to have the opportunity to get to know and to be helpful to the team and all of the children and families here.

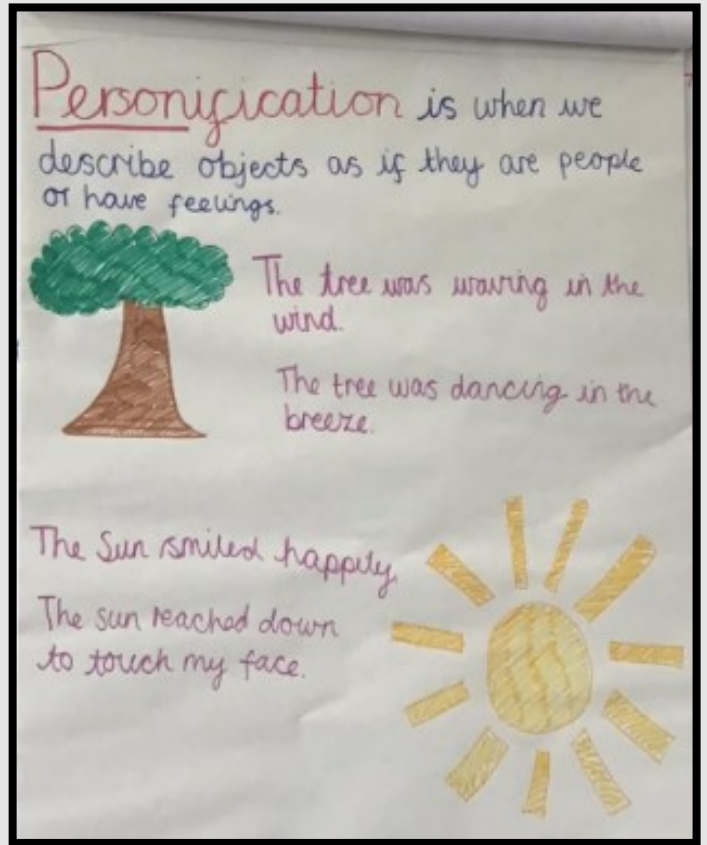
This week's BOOK RECOMMENDATION

Eid al-Fitr is Aisha's favourite festival and this year her family have promised her and her brother an epic treasure hunt to find their gifts. But between all the chaos and celebrations, will Aisha ever get her presents? From breaking fast to going to the mosque, painting your hands with henna to sharing tasty treats, Aisha's story is the ideal introduction to explore the story of Eid with your children, family or pupils and would make a beautiful gift for Eid.



Dates for the Diary...

Date	Event	Year Group
March/April	Art Project - Parkgate Primary	KS2 Selected
07/03/2025	World Book Day - wear something comfy	All school
14/03/2025	Super Learning Morning at PK	Y5
21/03/2025	Comic Relief Non Uniform Day	All school
03/04/2025	Belgrade Theatre Trip - Pig Heart Boy	Year 5 / Year 6
11/04/2025	PTA Easter Disco	All school
29/04/2025 - 15/07/2025	Swimming - Summer Term	Swim Group TBC
14/04/2025 - 25/04/2025	Easter Holiday	All school
06/05/2025	UK Bank Holiday	All school
02/05/2025 - 09/05/2025	Scholastic Book Fair	All school
12/05/2025 - 15/05/2025	Bikeability - Level 1 & 2	Year 5
12/05/2025 - 15/05/2025	SATS Week	Year 6
20/05/2025	Mental Health Schools Team Coffee Morning	Families
20/05/2025	Warwick Arts Centre Singing after SATS	Year 5 / year 6
26/05/2025 - 30/05/2025	May Half Term	All school
09/06/2025	Multiplication Check	Y4
09/06/2025	Phonics Check	Y1
17/06/2025	Class photos	All school
July	Secondary School Transitions/Transition Week	Year 6/School
07/07/2025	INSET DAY	All school
21/07/2025	INSET DAY	All school
22/07/2025 - 29/08/2025	Summer Holiday	All school
01/09/2025	INSET DAY	All school
17/09/2025	M&M Theatrical Productions The Secret Garden	TBC
September	PGL	Year 6
October	PTA Autumn Disco	All school
21/11/2025	Anti Bullying Alliance Odd Socks Day	All school
27/10/2025 - 31/10/2025	October Half Term	All school
04/11/2025	Individual school photos	All school
19/12/2025	Belgrade Theatre	Year 1-6



Flying Saucer Class have had a fantastic week in writing learning all about personification.

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.