

Kew Woods News

Friday 2nd October 2026



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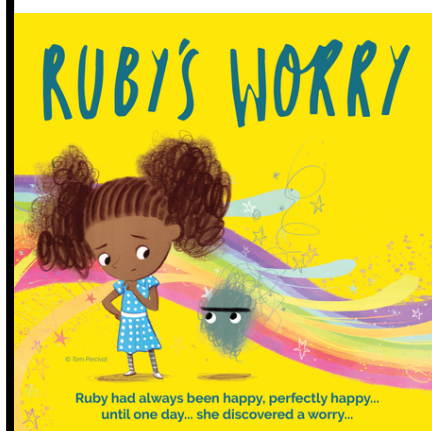


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This Week's Class Dojo Winners



Nursery - Bowie

RK - Harriet
RW - Noah

1K- Olivia B
1W- Alan

2K- Anthony
2W- Zac

3K- Brenden
3W- Jack

4K- George
4W- Kevin

5K- Ali
5W- Mila

6K- Alex
6W- James

Attendance

School attendance this week is 97.1% which is above national average. Well done to class 2K and 6K who had the highest attendance at 100%



Headteacher
Mrs Christina Greaves
Director of Primary



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Another Busy Week of Learning

It has been another busy and exciting week at Kew Woods, with lots of fantastic learning taking place across school. We were especially delighted to welcome children to their first Forest School sessions of the year, where they enjoyed exploring the outdoor environment, developing teamwork skills and building confidence through hands-on activities in nature.

Alongside this, pupils have continued to work hard in their lessons, demonstrating our school values through their positive attitudes and enthusiasm for learning. Thank you to all of our children and staff for another successful week. We look forward to seeing what the coming weeks bring!



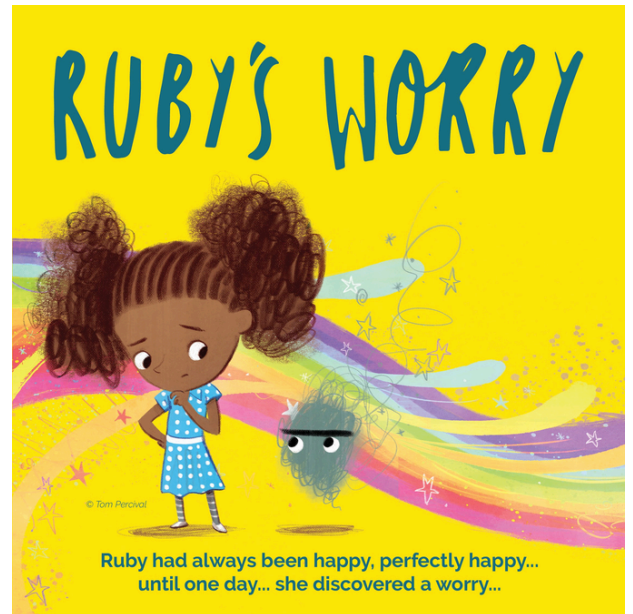
Congratulations to our Y5./6 Tag Rugby team who competed at [@northseftonschoolgames](https://www.northseftonschoolgames.com) event.

Great teamwork and skills in a new sport for some.



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Our Oracy Big Question of the Week

At Kew Woods, every class takes part in a weekly Big Question discussion designed to develop pupils' speaking, listening and critical thinking skills. Using a range of oracy strategies, children explore thought-provoking questions linked to a variety of themes from around the world, encouraging them to consider different perspectives and share their ideas confidently. Each Thursday, the whole school comes together for a video assembly where classes share their responses and celebrate the quality of discussion taking place across the school.

Next week's Big Question:

Do we have to understand someone to respect them?





Our Oracy Big Question of the Week

Is volunteering as important as paid work?



1K	Volunteering is important because it helps other people and it is a kind thing to do.
1W	It is important because if there are no volunteers then there might not be enough people to help those in need.
2K	We believe that volunteering is as important as paid work because it means that more nurses will be able to help people and it can save money.
2W	We think volunteering is just as important as paid work because it gives people good experience they can use to prepare for a job.
3K	We believe volunteering is just as important as paid work. We think this because volunteers help people in our community without expecting money in return. Volunteers might help at an animal shelter, clean up the park or visit elderly people who feel lonely.
3W	We believe that volunteering is important as it's not about the money you get paid but the good work you do. We also feel grateful for our volunteering workers as we need them to make our world a better place.
4K	We think that voluntary work is important because it means more people can be helped when they might have found it difficult. They are both important but people still need to be paid. Volunteers can feel really proud and happy with themselves because they are able to help other people who are in need. Some people can't afford to pay for healthcare, so volunteers are really important.
4W	We think volunteers are just as important as paid workers because all help is useful. Volunteers might not have as much experience or knowledge, but even the small jobs they do can make a huge difference. They can help to change people's lives, and helping others can make them feel really happy too
5K	Most people thought volunteering is just as important as paid work because it helps others, makes people happy, and supports important causes such as charities, food banks, and hospitals. However, some people felt paid work can be more important because workers earn money and provide essential services. Overall, the class felt that volunteering is valuable because people can make a positive difference even without being paid.
5W	We feel that paid work is very important so that people can earn money. However, we feel that volunteers often help those in need and the world wouldn't be the same without them. We feel that volunteers build a community by helping those in need and offering services to raise money.
6K	We agree that volunteering is just as important as paid work because it helps people and improves communities. Although volunteers do not get paid, they still give their time and effort to make a positive difference. Therefore, both volunteering and paid work are valuable in different ways.
6W	6W agreed that voluntary work is just as important as paid work. Paid work is important because people earn money to support themselves and their families. However, voluntary work is also valuable because volunteers give their time to help others without expecting payment. They can support charities, schools and people in their community. Overall, both paid and voluntary work are important because they help society in different ways.

Swimming Lessons Set to Make a Splash!

Swimming lessons begin next week for pupils in Years 3-6 and will run over a three-week period.

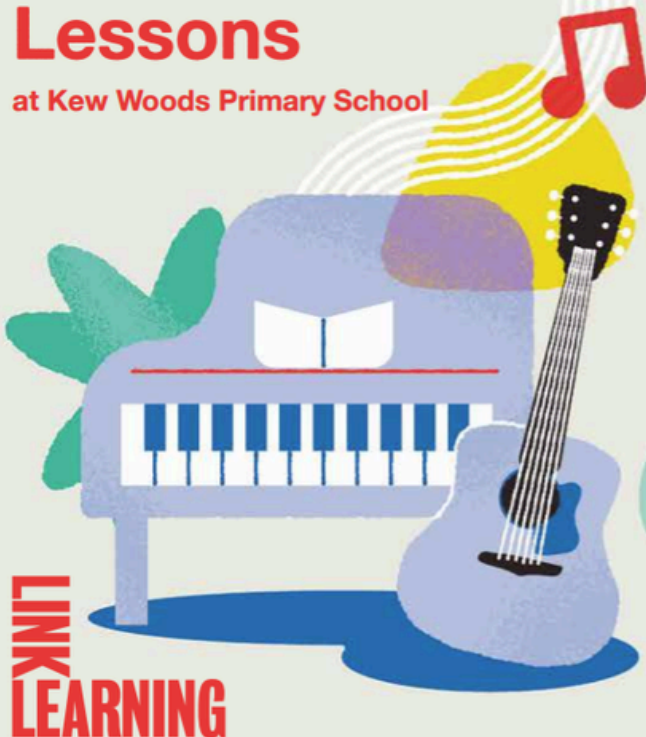
For **Week 1, lessons will be for Year 6 and Class 5K**. Please ensure children bring their swimming kit, towel and appropriate swimwear on their allocated day. We look forward to seeing the children develop their confidence and skills in the water!



Music Opportunity

Piano, Guitar, Drums & Singing Lessons

at Kew Woods Primary School



Register your child for lessons
www.linklearning.education/register

When?

Weekly during the school day during term time.

Where?

Kew Woods Primary School

Our piano and guitar lessons encourage children to express their creativity and learn new skills through experimenting and having fun.

The club is led by Link Learning musicians with a wealth of teaching experience and recent DBS certificates.

What we offer

- A digital resource pack
- Termly progress reports
- Creative tuition tailored to the interests and learning style of the individual

Price

- Individual - £9 per lesson (15 minute duration)
- Individual - £18 per lesson (30 minute duration)
- Paired - £12 per lesson (30 minute duration, not drums)
- Paired £6.50 per lesson (15 minute duration, guitar only)

Want to know more?

Call us on 07305507504

Or email
admin@linklearning.education

How to register

Register online at
linklearning.education/register

Who are we?

We're Link Learning. A team of teachers, musicians and artists who believe that every child should have the opportunity to develop and express their creativity.

We work with schools, children's hospitals and community centres to deliver high-quality creative activities that encourage exploration, discovery and experimentation.

Find out more
linklearning.education

Key Dates this Half Term

2 Sept 2026	School reopens for Years 1-6
9 Sept 2026	Meet the Teaching Team meetings (3:30pm & 5:00pm)
11 Sept 2026	Celebration Assembly (invite only)
14 Sept 2026	Extra-curricular clubs begin
17 Sept 2026	School promotional video filming
18 Sept 2026	Celebration Assembly (invite only)
18 Sept 2026	Year 6 House & Sports Captain presentations
21 Sept 2026	Children's University Assembly
24 Sept 2026	School Council Voting Day
25 Sept 2026	Celebration Assembly (invite only)
28 Sept 2026	Flu Vaccinations
28 Sept 2026	School Council announcements
28 Sept 2026	Year 5/6 assembly with Christ the King High School
29 Sept 2026	Year 5 London residential parents' meeting (3:25pm)
1 Oct 2026	Black History Month begins
2 Oct 2026	SEND Support Plans and Pupil Passports sent home



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2 Oct 2026	Celebration Assembly (invite only)
5 Oct 2026	Berners-Lee House Competition
5 Oct 2026	Governors visiting classes
7 Oct 2026	Individual and sibling photographs
8 Oct 2026	Karl Hopwood Online Safety workshops and parent session
13 Oct 2026	Reception Stay & Play session
14 Oct 2026	Year 3 Stone Age Day
14 Oct 2026	Year 1 Phonics Workshop for parents
14 Oct 2026	Jude Lennon author visit (EYFS & KS1)
15 Oct 2026	Healthy Relationships Workshops
16 Oct 2026	Class RW Welcome Assembly
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20 Oct 2026	"Riding the Rapids" parent course
20 Oct 2026	Halloween Disco (KS1 & KS2)
23 Oct 2026	Class RK Welcome Assembly
26 Oct - 3 Nov	Half Term Holiday
4 Nov 2026	Return



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APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE

Is your child born on or between
01/09/2022 and 31/08/2023?

If so, your child is due to start
school September 2027!



**You MUST apply for a school place
online before 15 January 2027**

For more information or to make an
application, scan our QR code or go to
www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool



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admissions@sefton.gov.uk

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SCHOOLS WORKER TRUST

**CREATIVE
WRITING
WINNING
CONTRIBUTIONS
PUBLISHED!**

something miraculous?

**STORIES OF WONDER
BY SOUTHPORT'S YOUNG WRITERS**



COULD YOUR STORY BE PUBLISHED IN A REAL BOOK?

Imagine opening a professionally printed book and finding your name and your story inside it.

We're searching for Southport's young writers to create 500-word stories filled with imagination, wonder and the unexpected. One hundred selected stories will be published in our book:

"Something Miraculous? – Stories of Wonder by Southport's Young Writers."

One overall winner will be announced at a special book launch at Christ Church during Southport's Books Alive festival—and their story will be read aloud to a live audience!

THE CHALLENGE:

Write an original short story of no more than 500 words in which something miraculous happens.

Your miracle could be enormous or almost unnoticed; mysterious, funny, dramatic, faith-inspired, fantastical or surprisingly ordinary. It might change a life, answer a deep hope, reveal something hidden or make the impossible possible.

You decide what "miraculous" means in your story.

HOW TO WRITE:

Need some help structuring your story?

1. Opening - Who, when and where: introduce the setting and a character who needs something?
2. Build Up - Create a problem: what gets in their way? Develop interest and/or suspense.
3. Dilemma - The problem reaches its peak. Raise the stakes: what could be lost, discovered or changed?
4. Resolution - Make it miraculous! Slow down the action and bring the moment to life.
5. Closing - What's the difference? What has changed by the end?

Start close to the action, use a small cast and choose vivid details. Show how your character reacts and finish with a memorable final line.

HOW TO ENTER:

Go to www.saswtrust.com/miracle or scan the QR code below

WHO CAN ENTER?

KS2 and KS3 young writers who live, attend school or have another clear connection with the Southport area.

WHAT TO SUBMIT?

One original story of up to 500 words. The title does not count towards the word limit.

WHEN'S THE DEADLINE?

Submit by 11.59pm on Friday 9 October 2026.

HOW?

Ask a parent or carer to upload your story as a DOC, DOCX or PDF via the webpage. (Your school does not need to submit it for you.)

Your story must be your own writing—do not use AI to write or rewrite it. Keep it suitable for a family audience and do not include private contact information.

Don't forget to join in with the full Books Alive festival - a reimagined literature festival designed for families and young readers. Running through half-term, the event will fill the town with storytelling installations, live performances and author-led workshops, turning Southport into a living storybook. There's even free "Miracles Alive" interactive storytelling sessions in Christ Church on 29th and 30th October running 10am, 11am, 1pm and 2pm. Plus, an event for grown ups to raise funds for your book! All the details online - just scan the QR code or go to

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Help Us Grow Something Amazing! 

Kew Woods Primary School is taking part in the
Tesco Fruit & Veg for Schools Grant, and
we need **YOUR** vote!



With your support, we could secure funding to:



Provide fresh
fruit and
vegetables for
our children



Develop healthy
eating opportunities
across school



Enhance outdoor
learning and
gardening projects



Help our pupils
learn about nutrition,
sustainability and
healthy lifestyles

HOW TO VOTE



**1. SHOP
IN TESCO**



**2. COLLECT
YOUR BLUE TOKEN
AT THE CHECKOUT**



**3. PLACE
YOUR TOKEN IN THE
KEW WOODS PRIMARY SCHOOL
VOTING BOX**

Every
token counts
and brings
us one step
closer to making
a real difference
for our
children. 

PLEASE SUPPORT US!

Together, we can help our pupils develop healthy habits,
learn where food comes from and enjoy exciting
fruit and vegetable projects throughout the school year.

**VOTE KEW WOODS PRIMARY SCHOOL
WHEN YOU SHOP AT TESCO!**



Thank you
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Growing healthy minds, healthy bodies and a healthy future. 