Deneholm Primary School Newsletter Issue 4 October 2023



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy couple of weeks at Deneholm. Last week, we had a visit from our phonics consultant who was very impressed with pupils' progress already in this year as well as the teaching she saw.

This week, we had e-safety day at Deneholm. We had an important Internet Safety Workshop in school - thank you to those parents that were able to join us. Technology is constantly changing and our children are growing up in this world with all these possibilities at their fingertips. As we reach our first holiday of the year, I would like to take this opportunity to remind families about the age limits of some popular apps. Tik tok, Youtube and Facebook are all 13+ and Whatsapp is 16+. These may be surprising but all have the capacity for pupils to interact with strangers, see inappropriate content and be the victim of abuse. Please use the following link for guidance on how to support children in this ever-changing world.

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/

From all the staff at Deneholm, we hope you all have a very enjoyable two weeks off and we look forward to seeing pupils back to school on Monday 6th November.

Mrs Bradfield Head of School

Our Year 6 Leadership Team

After applications and interviews, we are pleased to announce our new Deneholm Leadership Team. Congratulations to you all and we look forward to working with you this year.

Head	Erin	Finn
Deputy	Nicole	Buddy
Prefects	Millie W	Desmond
	Caitlin	Nathan
	Lily D	
	Matilda	
Sports	Mae - Rowling	Alfie - Rowling
Captains	Lily N – Attenborough	Tyler John – Parks
	Milly P - Parks	Ayaan -
	Arabella - Rashford	Attenborough
		Kayaz - Rashford

Christmas Fete



A huge thank you to everyone who has agreed to have a board in their garden advertising the school Christmas fete this year.

The Christmas fete will be held on 8th December from 3:30pm until 5:00pm. There will be many stalls including drinks and snacks and, of course, Santa in his Grotto.



Odd Socks Day

To begin our Anti-Bullying week, we will be having an 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday 13th November. This will be an opportunity for everyone to have fun, be themselves and spread awareness of the core values which Anti-Bullying Week promotes. The children will still be required to wear school uniform and can wear odd socks for the day, to celebrate our uniqueness and the joy of being different. If families would like to get involved, we would love to see you all wearing your odd socks on the playground during the end of the day pick-up too!

PE Kits



Please ensure that your child/ren have a full PE Kit in school, including winter jogging bottoms and top.

Children in Need



We are celebrating Children In Need day on Friday 17^{th} November. Please can children come in wearing non-school uniform and something with spots on. Please send pupils in with a donation of £1, if you are able to, for them to give to their class teacher.

Read, Write Inc.



Please watch the Read Write Inc videos emailed to you weekly. These will help your child learn their sounds and allow them to read words fluently. If you need any support with this, please speak to your child's teacher.

Maths Competition



As part of our commitment to make maths exciting in our school, we are taking part in a friendly competition involving schools in England. The competition runs from 07:30 GMT Tuesday 14th November 2023 to 19:30

GMT Thursday 16th November 2023. It's all done online via https://ttrockstars.com/.

Children can play in any gamemode and with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question they earn themselves, their class and the school a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours – with a 60-minute limit (on points but not playing) to promote wellbeing). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

More information will come out nearer the time.

Science Corner

In Year 2, the children have been learning about how we change as we grow up. The children were able to discuss what a baby needs compared to what a baby may want. They discussed the differences between babies, toddlers, children, teenagers and adults. We have also discussed the importance of exercise on our bodies and looked at what happens to our bodies when we went outside to carry out a range of exercises.

Deneholm's Mathletics Competition



Well done to all of the children who competed in the Deneholm Mathletics Competition. The children worked brilliantly in their teams and demonstrated resilience, team work, problem solving and aspiration. Children received certificates to reward their hard work and the winning team earned points for their house team. Well done to Rowling, who were lead by Alfie in year 6.



Shoe Boxes

Next half term, Year 6 will be needing shoe boxes. If you have any at home or go shopping for new shoes, please keep the box and send them in! We would be extremely grateful.



Showcases

It is our Year 6 Showcase on Thursday 16th November at 2:50pm. Please join us in our classrooms to see our learning in action. Gates will open at 2:45pm. We hope you are able to join us.



Sharing Assembly

2H have their sharing assembly on Tuesday 14th November and 1A is on Tuesday 21st November. We do hope you are able to join us to see what classes have been up to so far this year. The front gate will continue to open at 2:45pm and we will be allowing 5 minutes for parents to make their way round to our hall before gates close at 2:50pm and the performance begins.



Labelling School Uniform

Please can we remind you to label all of your child's uniform and PE kit. If items are not labelled with names, it becomes very difficult to give them back to the correct child.



Important Dates for your diary...



AUTUMN TERM 2023

Half-Term 23rd October - 3rd November

November

7 th	Maths Parent Workshop
13 th	Sept 2024 Intake Open Day
	Odd Socks Day
14 th	2H Sharing Assembly
	Sept 2024 Intake Open Day
16 th	Year 6 Showcase
17 th	Children in Need
21 st	1A Sharing Assembly
22 nd	Walk Online Roadshow Year 5
23 rd	Year 2 Showcase
28 th	6C Sharing Assembly
	Parent /Teacher Consultations
30 th	Reading Parent Workshop KS2



December

5th

5C Sharing Assembly

Parent /Teacher Consultations

Last day of term - 21st December



SPRING TERM 2024

January

First Day of Term - 8th January

11 th	KS1 Workshop
18 th	Year 5 Showcase
23 rd	3U Sharing Assembly
25 th	Year 4 Showcase
30 th	2W Sharing Assembly

February

1st Year 3 Showcase 2^{nd} **NSPCC Number Day** 6^{th} 1G Sharing Assembly 7th Safer Internet Day 15th Year 6 Showcase 16th Non-Pupil Day

Half-Term 19th February - 23rd February

29th KS2 Workshop

March

7th World Book Day 11th Year 6 SATs Meeting 12th 5HB Sharing Assembly 14th **Reception Showcase** 15th **Red Nose Day** 19th 4SA Sharing Assembly 21st Year 2 Showcase 22^{nd} World Maths Day 26th

Last day of term - 28th March

3LM Sharing Assembly



SUMMER TERM 2024

<u>April</u>

15th World Art Day 22nd Earth Day

30th Year 2H Sharing Assembly

May

Bank holiday 6th May

7th 1A Sharing Assembly 13^{th} KS2 SATs week $\mathbf{14}^{th}$ **5C Sharing Assembly** 21st **4W Sharing Assembly**

Half-Term 27th May - 31st May

<u>June</u>

10th **Phonics Screening Week** 11th **3U Sharing Assembly** 18^{th} 2W Sharing Assembly

25 th	1G Sharing Assembly
27^{th}	Reception Showcase

July

2nd **RP Sharing Assembly**

5th **Sports Day**

9th **RT Sharing Assembly**

 16^{th} Year 6 Production to Parents 18th Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9am

Last Day of Term - 19th July 2024

WE WILL AIM TO KEEP TO THESE DATES BUT, IF **NECESSARY, THEY WILL BE CHANGED.**