Deneholm Primary School Newsletter Issue 5 November 2023



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we supported Children in Need by wearing something spotty! It was so lovely to see the children in their spotty outfits and supporting such a worthy cause. Thank you to families for your support in this, we raised a grand total of £254.68.

It's been a busy two weeks since we returned from the half term break. Our school was lucky enough to be visited by some owls and this was such a fantastic opportunity for our children. The children were lucky enough to see these birds up close and they were all very respectful of the birds' needs.

Our swimming lessons have now come to an end and although it has been an intense experience for pupils, the progress seen in their swimming has been excellent. Across the trust, we have a large number of nonswimmers who now have a good grasp of this life-saving skill.

A special thank you has to be made to the year 5 and 6 pupils on our leadership and PALs teams who were tour guides for me this week. We opened our doors to families looking for a reception place for their children next year and our pupils were said to have been informative, enthusiastic and a real credit to our school – and therefore to our families. Thank you to them all.

Art Competition

Deneholm Primary has entered The Salvation Army's Art competition this year. They have some amazing prizes and it is free to enter. Children will be doing this within school time.

To support The Salvation Army for letting us take part in this brilliant opportunity, we are collecting donations on their behalf. Donation buckets will be on the gates on Friday 1st December for you to make a voluntary donation if you wish.

Thank you for your support and we will let you know if any of our fantastic Deneholm entries win a prize.

KS2 Reading Workshop – Change of Date

Due to Parents' Evening, the KS2 Reading workshop for parents, which was scheduled for Thursday 30th November, has to be moved to Wednesday 29th November. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused. We encourage you to make time to attend the workshop to support your child positively in reading and look forward to seeing many of you there.

Mrs Bradfield Head of School

Culford Road



Please be considerate of all our children in regards to smoking close to the school gates. This is particularly requested during busy times on Culford Road, such as drop off time in the morning. Thank you.

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.



Karate Class

Some of the children who attend the afterschool Karate Class had their Grading examination last weekend. Congratulations to you all on your success and achievement:

Ivy W graded to yellow belt. Teddy W graded to yellow belt.

Liam A Graded to orange belt. Micaiah P Graded to orange belt. Haris S Graded to orange belt.

Lily D Graded to green belt. Sienna S Graded to green belt.

Elijah R Graded to blue belt. Leo G Graded to blue belt.

Jude A Graded to purple belt. Matilda L Graded to purple belt.

PE Kits



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

Read, Write Inc.

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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.

Science Corner

In year 3, the children are learning about our amazing bodies. They have been identifying the important things needed for a healthy and balanced diet. They will also be learning about the similarities and differences between skeletons of humans and other animals and learn about the muscles in our body and what they do.

Showcases

It is our Year 2 Showcase on Thursday 23rd 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

6C have their sharing assembly on Tuesday 28th November and 5C is on Tuesday 5th December. 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

November

- 21st 1A Sharing Assembly
- 22nd Walk Online Roadshow Year 5
- 23rd Year 2 Showcase
- 28th 6C Sharing Assembly
- Parent /Teacher Consultations
- 29th Reading Parent Workshop KS2
- 30th Parent /Teacher Consultations

December

- 5th 5C Sharing Assembly
- 7th Year 1 Showcase
- 8th Last Day of Afterschool Clubs Flu Vaccination

Christmas Fete

- 12th 4W Sharing Assembly
- 14th Reception Showcase
- 21st Christmas Jumper/Dinner/Party Day

Last day of term - 21st December



SPRING TERM 2024

<u>January</u>

First Day of Term – 8th January

11th KS1 Workshop

18 th	Year 5 Showcase
23rd	311 Sharing Assembly

- 23rd 3U Sharing Assembly
- 25th Year 4 Showcase
- 30th 2W Sharing Assembly

February

- 1st Year 3 Showcase
- 2nd NSPCC Number Day
- 6th 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
- 22nd World Maths Day
- 26th 3LM Sharing Assembly

Last day of term - 28th March



SUMMER TERM 2024

<u>April</u>

- 15th World Art Day
- 22nd Earth Day
- 30th Year 2H Sharing Assembly

<u>May</u>

Bank holiday 6th May

- 7th 1A Sharing Assembly
- 13th KS2 SATs week
- 14th 5C Sharing Assembly
- 21st 4W Sharing Assembly

Half-Term 27th May – 31st May

<u>June</u>

- 10th Phonics Screening Week
- 11th 3U Sharing Assembly
- 18th 2W Sharing Assembly
- 25th 1G Sharing Assembly
- 27th Reception Showcase

<u>July</u>

- 2nd RP Sharing Assembly
- 5th Sports Day
- 9th RT Sharing Assembly
- 16th 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.