

Deneholm Primary School

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***Empathy *Aspiration *Resilience *Self-confidence**

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children looked fabulous in their red clothes for Red Nose Day. We have raised a total of £225.72 which will be donated to Comic Relief. Thank you to all of the families who donated.

Year 4 went on a local visit to Blackshots field to take part in a litter survey. The children discovered lots of litter, which prompted brilliant discussions and learning opportunities about how humans impact the environment and our local area. Well done to all of year 4!

Some of our Year 5 children have been selected to take part in the Scholars Programme - an academic programme to give children an experience of what it is like to study at university. The children met their tutor online this week, learned about University life and will participate weekly to develop their skills. At the end of the programme the children will submit a final assignment of between 1,000 and 1,500 words which is marked using the university grading system. Those who submit this, will then have the fantastic opportunity to visit a University and graduate from the programme.

Mrs Bradfield
Head of School



SEN

For SEN information and advice, please visit our new SEN Padlet via the QR code. This will be updated throughout the year.



Essex Year of Numbers

Essex County Council is running a countrywide campaign called 'Essex Year of Numbers'. Their aim is to inspire a love of learning through exciting maths activities. The following website contains links to free, fun events that are taking place in Essex at local libraries and country parks with a focus on giving children's maths skills a 'magic boost'. The website also contains free resources which can be used at home. Activities include learning how numbers are used in music production and exploring numeracy themed books in the great outdoors.

[Essex Year of Numbers | Essex County Council](#)

Childcare Survey

Help us to meet your childcare needs! By completing the Parent survey, we will be able to work towards ensuring you have the childcare you need!

[Parents survey for the new childcare entitlement | Have my say | Thurrock Council](#)

If you are a working parent and looking for childcare The 30 hours funded childcare is expanding! Working parents of all children over the age of nine months will also be entitled to funded 30 hours of childcare.

For all primary aged children from reception to year six, from September 2024, you can expect to see an increase in the number of wraparound childcare places available across Thurrock. Wraparound care is before and after school (8am-6pm) childcare for primary school aged children in England during term time. With your help by completing the survey we expect all parents who need it to have access to wraparound care, either from their school or from another provider in your local area, by September 2026.

By accessing funded childcare for 9 months to 4 years and the funded Tax Free Childcare you will be able to get help with childcare costs.

Please click on the below QR Codes for more information



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.

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.

Oxford Owl E- Books



Every child has access to the Oxford Owl E-books. These can be accessed by visiting <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/login?active-tab=students>. These are a great resource for children learning to read on our RWInc phonics programme. Children can also take quizzes on these books. Your child's log will be in their learning log. If you need your child's details please speak to the class teacher.

Science Corner



This term, year 3 have explored photosynthesis, learning how plants convert sunlight into energy. We also conducted a hands-on investigation, examining whether the number of leaves effects a plant's growth. Your budding scientists engaged in observation, measurement, and analysis, enhancing their inquiry skills.



Showcases

It is our Year 2 Showcase on Thursday 21st March 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



4SA have their sharing assembly on Tuesday 19th March and 3LM have their sharing

assembly on Tuesday 26th March. We do hope you are able to join us to see what the class 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...

SPRING TERM 2024



March

- 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



April

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

May

Bank holiday 6th May

- 7th 1A Sharing Assembly
- 13th KS2 SATs week
- 14th 5C Sharing Assembly

- 16th Year 4 Showcase
- 21st 4W Sharing Assembly
- 23rd Year 3 Showcase

Half-Term 27th May – 31st May

June

- 3rd Year 4 MTC
- 10th Phonics Screening Week
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- 11th 3U Sharing Assembly
- 13th Year 2 Showcase
- 18th 2W Sharing Assembly
- 20th Year 1 Showcase
- 25th 1G Sharing Assembly
- 26th to 28th Year 6 Residential
- 27th Reception Showcase

July

- 2nd RP Sharing Assembly
- 5th Sports Day
- 9th RT Sharing Assembly
- 12th Year 6 Adventure Island
- 16th Year 6 Production to Parents
- 18th Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9am
- 18th PTA -Year 6 Leavers Afternoon from 3.30pm

Last Day of Term – 19th July 2024

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