

Deneholm Primary School

Newsletter Issue 13

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy half term with lots of things to celebrate. When we return to school, our Year 6 children will be preparing to take their SATs in May, Year 1 children will be taking the phonics screening check later on in the term and all years will be making the most of all of their learning opportunities.

It is vital that children continue to read and practise their times tables over the holidays to ensure they continue to make as much progress as possible.

It has been particularly wonderful to see the successes of our pupils in leadership roles really developing and shining this term. Some of these roles are more high profile, for example our PLT members supporting Thurrock Foodbank, but others are pupils who support our school everyday with less of a mention. We have play leaders who lead activities and help younger pupils at lunchtime - they have really supported others and made a difference to our school. Their confidence and leadership skills have also grown in turn.

Everyone at Deneholm wishes you a lovely break with your family and we hope everyone manages to enjoy the nice weather, if there is any!

Mrs Bradfield
Head of School

Children's University Graduation

This year's graduation will be held on Monday 10th June 2024 so please save the date. Further details will be sent out in due course. The deadline for all credits to have been uploaded on the Children's University portal is end of school day on Monday 3rd June 2024. To gain more points and find fun activities to do during the Easter holiday, have a look at the new Children University challenges on our school's website using the following link:

<https://deneholm.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/March-CU.pdf>

1 Pint Plastic Milk bottles



Year 2 will be making puppets in the summer term from Plastic milk bottles. If you use the 1 pint plastic bottles, please could you pass them on to Year 2.



SEN

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

Thurrock Foodbank



Our School Councillors met with representatives from Thurrock Foodbank to hand over the donations the school collected. The foodbank were very grateful for the donations and explained to the children who they will be distributed.



One of our favourite lessons was going on a nature walk to find out which animals could be spotted around the school grounds.

Year 1 children have enjoyed comparing different types of animals and arranging them into relevant animal groups (fish, birds, reptiles, insects, mammals and amphibians). Can your children name an animal from each group?



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.

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.

Sharing Assembly



2H have their sharing assembly on Tuesday 30th April. 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.

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.

Important Dates for your diary...

SUMMER TERM 2024



April

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

Science Corner



This term in Science, Year One have been learning lots of information about different types of animals. We have discovered many different ways to classify animals including their appearance, diet and habitat.

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
Year 4 MTC
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.