

Deneholm Primary School

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had a brilliant start to the summer term. They have shown determination and resilience in their learning.

We are working hard on a revamp of our school library and have been lucky enough to secure some support from an expert to improve the layout of our books to engage and support pupils whilst they are in there. We look forward to sharing the changes made with pupils over the next few weeks.

We have noticed a reduction in the number of children who are equipped with the correct PE Kit. Please read a section later on in this newsletter and support us to ensure that pupils are ready and able to take part in PE lessons each week.

It is clear at this time that there are a number of illnesses affecting children in the area, however we would just like to remind parents that good attendance is vital to ensure your child reaches their full potential. Therefore please can we ask for your support for children to attend every day they are well enough to do so. Thank you for your support.

Lastly, I would like to share some personal news that I am lucky enough to be expecting a baby during the Summer Holidays.

Mrs Bradfield
Head of School

Year 4 World War Two Trip



Year 4 visited the Purfleet Heritage and Military Centre to support their learning on World War 2. The children had a fantastic day exploring historical artefacts, looking at Royal Air Force memorabilia and learning about female agents of the special operations executive, who played a huge role in World War 2.

The Great Stink



This week, year 5 went to the Civic Hall to watch an opera show presented by the Royal Opera House called The Great Stink. The children enjoyed taking part in an immersive experience, which retold an important part of London's history. Can your child tell you about their experience?

Attendance



Current attendance from 06.09.2023 – today is 94.1% (our target is 96%)

Best lower school attendance.	1A 95.1%
Best upper school attendance.	6C 96.8%

At the end of each term, all children with 98% and above attendance are placed in a prize draw with the chance to win a brand new scooter.

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.



Watch Grays Athletic Play on Saturday 27th April 2024

All SWECET primary school children and their families have been invited by Grays Athletic Football Club to watch the final league game of the season against Ipswich Wanderers on Saturday 27th April. The kick off is at 3pm at the EMR Stadium, Saint Chads Road, Tilbury, RM18 8NL.

All SWECET primary children will be able to watch completely free of charge. Pupils will just need to say which school they attend. Parents and carers will be admitted at the half price rate of £5.

We urge you to support Grays Athletic and take up their incredibly kind and generous offer.

We are hoping the day will be a fun end to the season and that lots of families will come along for a game of local, semi-professional football.

See you there!

SEN



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



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

In science, year six have been looking at the benefits of drinking water. We learned how water regulates body temperature and carries nutrients to cells.



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.



Sharing Assembly

2H have their sharing assembly on Tuesday 30th April and 1A have their sharing assembly on Tuesday 7th May. 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.

PE Kits



We have noticed a reduction in the number of children who are equipped with the correct PE Kit. Please ensure that your child has a full PE Kit in school every day. As per our uniform policy the PE Kit needs to contain:

- White round neck T-Shirt
- Plain Black PE Shorts
- Black Plimssoles/Trainers for outdoor use only
- Black Tracksuit/sweatshirt/jogging bottoms for colder weather.



Important Dates for your diary...

SUMMER TERM 2024

April

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
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.