

Newsletter: 2nd June 2024

Dear Families

I hope you have had a lovely half term holiday. Please remember, we all go back to school tomorrow for the final 7 weeks.

As I said in last week's newsletter, there will be changes between now and September as we have now officially joined ATLP and are no longer a Birmingham City Council school. This half term is the final time we will be using Dolce. Please order your children's meals as normal for these 7 weeks. From September; we will no longer be with Dolce. I have been told that information about how you order and pay (for those families who have to pay for their children's meals in Years 3-6) will be sent to you at some point this half term.

Another change we have agreed to is for children in Years 3-6; instead of learning Spanish from September, they will be learning French. This is because in Year 6, the children have the opportunity to visit France for 5 days with children and staff from other ATLP primary schools. They will be able to practise their French speaking skills! Some of our Year 5 children have signed up for this French residential which will take place in March 2025. They have said they are looking forward to visiting Disneyland Paris!

There will be opportunities for you to meet some of the ATLP staff and they will be able to answer questions you may have.

Have a lovely week everyone!

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General Reminders

- Doors open at 8:45am and close at 8:50am.
- If your child arrives after 8:50am, please take them to the office and explain to the office staff the reason why your child is late.
- Please do not send your child to school with crisps, sweets, chocolate, etc for snacks or their lunch. Too many children are bringing food like this in on a daily basis. Sending cakes or sweets in for special occasions like birthdays are fine if we can all eat healthily at other times.
- If you have any concerns regarding other children or parents, please do not approach them yourselves. Instead, speak to Mrs Brewer, Mr Gunchala or Mr Downes and we will try and resolve your concerns.
- If your child has an appointment, please bring proof for our records.
- If your child is going to be absent, please ring school by 8:30am and give a reason and an expected return date. Also, please remember to cancel their meal on School Grid. If you do not cancel the meal and you pay for your child's meals, you will be charged.
- Please do not Dojo staff to inform them of your child's absence. We do not always see Dojo messages. Please ring the school office and leave a message.
- Finally, please send your child to school with a water bottle.



We want all our pupils to be STARs: Successful, Tolerant, Ambitious and Resilient.

Everyone at Deykin Avenue JI School is expected to adhere to our values of respect, responsibility, inclusivity and fairness. Our children know that these values help us all to become STARs but also help us to be good citizens within our community.

Term Dates 2023-2024

<u>Summer Term 2023</u> Term Starts: Monday 8th April 2024 Half Term: Monday 27th May 2024- Friday 31st May 2024 Term Ends: Monday 22nd July 2024

<u>Training Days</u> **Thursday 4th July** – school closed to children and staff due to the unexpected announcement of voting for the General Election **Friday 5th July** will be a training day and children do not attend. **Monday 22nd July** – school will be closed to children and staff

Attendance

Reception - 88.33% Year 1 - 89.67% Year 2 - 90.33% Year 3 - 92% Year 4 - 86.67% Year 5 - <mark>95.33%</mark> Year 6 - 89% Well done to Year 5 who have achieved the highest attendance. You are below the magic 96% and so will not have an extra 5mins play time each day this week.

Thank you to all families for your effort in sending your children into school every day. We understand that children are ill sometimes and if they are really unwell, they are better at home to recover. However, if your child is tired, or doesn't feel like coming to school, please send them in. If they wake up late, send them in late. We would rather them come into school late, than

Whole School - 90.24%

not come to school at all. Thank you.

Important Dates

Monday 3rd to Friday 7th June – Safety Week Monday 3rd to Friday 14th June – Year 4 Multiplication check **Thursday 6th June** – Reception trip to Adventure Farm Monday 10th to Friday 14th June – Phonics check assessments for Year 1 and retakes in Year 2 Monday 10th June – 1:00pm – Memorial for Benjamin Zephaniah Friday 14th June – 9:00am - Families invited to say thank you and goodbye to our School Governors Monday 17th June – 9:00am – Year 1's Father's Day assembly – families invited **Tuesday 18th June** – Year 5 at Aston Olympics all day - no charge to families Wednesday 26th June – 1:30-3:00pm – KS2 (Years 3-6) sports day – families are welcome to attend Thursday 27th June – 1:30-3:00pm - EYFS/KS1 (Reception, Y1 and Y2) sports day – families are welcome to attend Friday 28th June - 9:00-9:30am - Flute Concert - Year 4 and electives from Years 5 and 6 - families invited Tuesday 2nd to Thursday 4th July – Various transition days for Year 6. Each school will send parents a letter saying which day or days the children are expected to attend Thursday 4th July – School closed to children and staff due to voting for the General Election Tuesday 9th July – Year 6 SATs results are published **Tuesday 9th July** – Written reports to parents are sent home (except Year 3) Wednesday 10th July - 9:00am - Nursery Graduation - families invited Wednesday 10th – Friday 12th July – Year 6 Condover Hall residential Monday 15th July – Which class will win the behaviour sticker? Pizza lunch this week for the winning class! Tuesday 16th July – 9:15am Year 2's Moving Up assembly – families invited Thursday 18th July – 9:00am – Prizegiving/Attendance Thursday 18th July – 5:00-7:00pm – Prom (details to follow) includes Prom King and Queen for Years 2 and 6 Friday 19th July – 9:15am – Year 6 Leavers assembly – families invited Friday 19th July – 3:20pm – Children break up for the summer holiday



Happy birthday to the following children who have a birthday during half term...

Ibrahim – Year 6 Nimra – Year 6 Zain – Year 3 Hamza – Reception

...and also to the children who have a birthday when we return to school

Zara – Year 4 Muna – Year 2

We will sing happy birthday and give you your birthday stickers after the holiday!

TT Rockstars

Please encourage your children (particularly those in Year 2 and above) to play on TT Rockstars regularly. It is a wonderful resource to help children learn their times tables. There are different games they can play on TTRS. For example, the 'Jamming' game allows them to choose the times tables they would like to focus on and they will only receive questions on those. Any questions, please contact your class teacher or Mr Gunchala.

Year 4 will have their Multiplication Tables Check in June 2024 and the government's expectation is that they score 25/25. By the end of Year 4, children should know all the times tables up to 12×12 .

