



Newsletter: 19th May 2024

Dear Families

A HUGE well done to Year 6 who came in every day last week and did their absolute best during their SATs. We won't know the results until July but whatever happens, all of you put 100% effort into everything. We are all very proud of you.

Reception had an amazing time at the Think Tank last week. A huge thank you to all the parent volunteers who helped our Reception staff and ensured that the children had a brilliant time!

One week to go until we break up for our half term holiday. When we come back, we will officially be part of the Arthur Terry Learning Partnership (ATLP). There will be more information about this after half term.

Finally... a HUGE well done to Aaliyah and Modou in Year 4. I showed three visitors from ATLP around school on Friday, two of whom are headteachers in other schools. Aaliyah told the one visitor how lovely she looked in her outfit and Modou went up to each one, introduced himself and held his hand out to shake theirs. I have never felt so proud as I did when they returned to other visitors from ATLP and told them how welcomed and happy these two children made them feel. This is why I love working at Deykin! Well done to both of you as well as all the other children and staff. They said how smiley everyone was and were looking forward to working with us in the future.

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.

Thank you. 😊

We want all our pupils to be **STARs**: **S**uccessful, **T**olerant, **A**mbitious and **R**esilient.

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

Summer Term 2023

Term Starts: Monday 8th April 2024

Half Term: Monday 27th May 2024- Friday 31st May 2024

Term Ends: Monday 22nd July 2024

Training Days

Friday 5th July will be a training day and children do not attend.

Monday 22nd July – school will be closed to children and staff

Swimming

Children in Year 4 will be taking part in 10 days of intensive swimming at Wyndley Swimming Baths and trained swimming teachers will work with the children. This is part of the National Curriculum and children are expected to attend. **Jewellery is not permitted to be worn.** Boys need to wear swimming trunks and girls a swimming costume (not a bikini) with tight fitting leggings if they wish. No loose fitting clothes will be allowed. They will have a 45 minute lesson each day.

Year 4 - weeks beginning Monday 13th May and Monday 20th May

School Disco – Monday 20th May 3:30-4:30pm - £1 per child

The disco has been organised by School Council to raise money for school fund. There will be the chance for the children to have a dance, play a few games and maybe win a few prizes! As it is only for 1 hour, there is not time for them to bring party clothes to change into as this will cause them to miss some of the fun. There will be a small snack and a drink provided. Other drinks can be bought for 20p each. We will also have a lucky dip for 50p a go.

We will be having a prom before we break up for the summer holiday but a date has not yet been confirmed. The children can then go home to get changed and come back in their party clothes.

Attendance

Reception – 87.18%

Year 1 – 92.67%

Year 2 – 91.33%

Year 3 – 93.36%

Year 4 – 90.84%

Year 5 – 95.67%

Year 6 – **97.33%**

Whole School – 92.71%

Well done to Year 6 who have achieved the highest attendance. You are above the magic 96% and so will have an extra 5mins play time each day this week.

If your child feels well, please send them to school. If they get up late for example, please send them into school. We would rather have them in school late than not at all.

Reading Lessons – Invite for Parents

Parents are invited to attend the following reading lessons to see how we teach reading.

Year 1 – 9:00-9:45am – Thursday 23rd May (This will be about the Year 1 phonics screening check.)

Year 2 – 9:00-9:45am – Wednesday 22nd May

Year 4 – 9:00-9:45am – Tuesday 21st May

Important Dates

Monday 20th May – 3:30-4:30pm – school disco organised by School Council

Friday 24th May – 9:00-10:30am – SEND parent coffee morning in the library

Monday 3rd to Friday 7th June – Safety Week

Monday 3rd to Friday 14th June – Year 4 Multiplication check

Monday 10th to Friday 14th June – Phonics check assessments for Year 1 and retakes in Year 2

Thursday 6th June – Reception trip to Adventure Farm

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

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

Tuesday 9th July – Year 6 SATs results are published

Tuesday 9th July – Written reports to parents are sent home

Wednesday 10th July – 9:00am – Nursery Graduation – families invited

Wednesday 10th – Friday 12th July – Year 6 Conover Hall residential

Tuesday 16th July – 9:15am Year 2's Moving Up assembly – families invited

Friday 19th July – 3:20pm – Children break up for the summer holiday



Happy birthday to the following children:

Adam – Reception

Deen – Reception

Hadiya – Year 4

Mahira – Year 1

Yahya – Year 3

Ibrahim – Reception

Aiden – Year 2

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 x 12.

Star of the Term



A huge 'Well Done!' to all the children who have achieved a certificate in Merit Assembly. Keep up the good work. You have all proved to be Deykin STARS!!

Friday 17th May

Reception – Sophie, George and all of Reception

Year 1 – Giovanni

Year 2 – Tasmia

Year 3 – Musa

Year 4 – Aston and Amirah

Year 5 – Eljana

Year 6 – All of Year 6

Times Tables Rockstars

Moiz – Year 2

Tasmia – Year 2

Atif – Year 6

Snapshots of the Week!

Reception



This week, we have learnt about various dinosaurs and used big words like carnivores and herbivores to describe the dinosaurs' diets. We described their features, such as a T Rex that has a heavy body, is very fast, with sharp teeth and claws. We also learnt it was a carnivore and ate other dinosaurs!

We took part in fun activities, such as dinosaur matching games and how to defrost a frozen dinosaur using various tools to help it melt the quickest.

We continued to learn about minibeasts and collected bugs stuck on a web! This was an engaging activity.

We had a wonderful time at the Think Tank and enjoyed the planetarium and outdoor play area. We learnt lots about transport and dinosaurs.



Year 1

Year 1 have received some letters this week, asking for their help. In order to write a letter next week, we have been looking at what a letter needs and how it should be set out. The children had to sort out a jumbled letter and put it in the correct order. Hopefully this will help them when they write their own letters next week.



Year 2

This week, Year 2 have been writing a narrative in English. They have worked really hard and focused on including adjectives, similes and past tense verbs. Well done, Year 2!

Year 3

Well done to Year 3 who have been very sensible and worked well for their new, temporary teacher, Miss Sultana.

Year 4

Really proud of Year 4's progress in swimming lessons. All children have worked hard and listened to the instructors - well done!

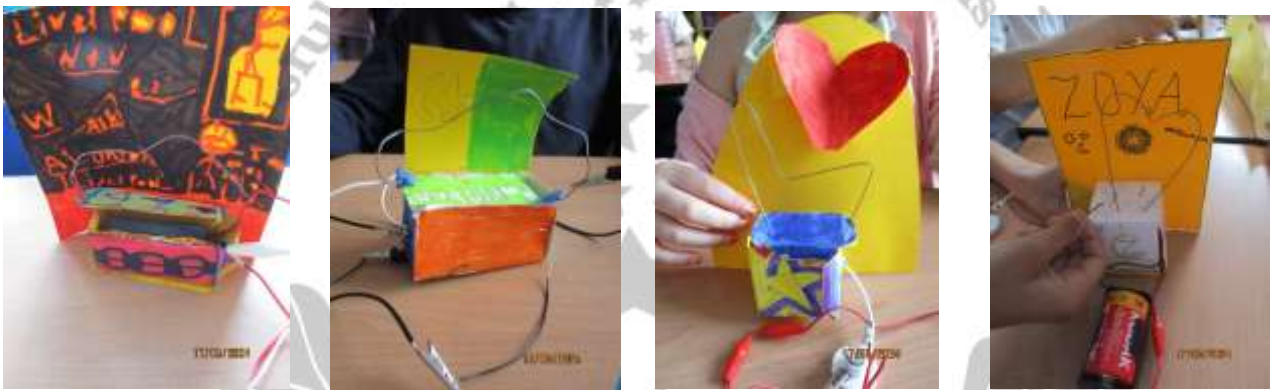


Year 5

Year 5 went to Villa Park for their final session. They took part in lots of activities and yet again, impressed the staff there and the students who were delivering these sessions. Well done, Year 5!

Year 6

In design and technology (DT) Year 6 made a steady hand game. They made a circuit and tried to get to the other end of the game without making the buzzer - buzz.



Well done to all the children in Year 6 who have completed their SATs this week. They have given their best in every test and that's all we can ask from them. We are all so proud of them!

They also completed the traditional conga dance around the school!



29th July - 1st August

10am - 3pm

For children
aged 5-11

WITTON HOLIDAY CLUB



@ **Witton Methodist Church,**
B6 7BS

PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH AND DRINK

To secure your child a place, **please contact**
Carole on 07812 184309

Consent form required when booking a place

£4.00

PER CHILD
PER DAY

