



Newsletter: 5th May 2024

Dear Families

Another busy week in school this week. Please remember that tomorrow (Monday 6th) is a bank holiday and school is closed to children and staff.

Week beginning Monday 13th May until Thursday 16th May, we are offering a free breakfast to all of our Year 6 children. Please complete and return the letter to Mrs Mohamed if you would like your child to attend. It will also give them the opportunity to relax, play and revise before they start their tests each day.

When we return after the half term holiday, Monday 3rd June, we officially become part of the Arthur Terry Learning Partnership (ATLP) and will no longer be a Birmingham City Council school. I am hoping to have further information for you before we break up for the holiday. I cannot emphasise enough how much I am looking forward to us joining ATLP. They have already supported us since they began to visit us in January and through meetings with other school leaders, and being part of ATLP emails, I have seen first hand just how much support they offer all schools in their partnership. It really does have the feel that it is a family of schools. I truly hope that when we join, you are just as pleased as we are and that you see a positive impact in all aspects of school life.

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

Goodbye

I am very sorry to say that we will be saying goodbye to Miss Williams at the end of this half term. She was employed by the school as a supply teacher in September 2023 to teach the Year 3 children. Last month, she was offered a teaching position in her daughter's school which is something she had always wanted. Sadly, for us, this means that she won't stay with us until July. Miss Williams has said, "I would like to take this opportunity to say that I have enjoyed teaching the children and I am really proud of their achievements this year. I will miss them greatly and I thank you for your support."

Miss Williams, on behalf of the staff, thank you for all of your hard work this year. I for one forget that you are with us on supply and are not a permanent member of staff. You will be missed. Parents, Miss Williams will write your end of year reports before she leaves and will hold meetings with you to discuss your children's progress. When we return to school on Monday 3rd June after the half term holiday, Mr Gunchala is taking over Year 3 to give the children the best chance to complete their Year 3 education.

Attendance

Reception – 90.09%
Year 1 – 90.42%
Year 2 – 92.08%
Year 3 – 88.33%
Year 4 – 93.75%
Year 5 – **96.55%**
Year 6 – 94.98%
Whole School – 92.3%

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

We have a sickness bug in school at the moment. If your child vomits, please keep them at home for 24 hours after the last episode of vomiting. If they have diarrhoea, please keep them at home for 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea. When children come to school too soon, the bug then passes round to other children and/or staff. We want good attendance, but we want children who are fit enough to be in school. Thank you.

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 – To be confirmed

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

Year 5 – 9:00-9:45am – Tuesday 7th May

Important Dates

Monday 6th May – Bank holiday – school is closed

Tuesday 7th May – 9:30-11:30am – Year 4 at Brookvale Academy (Aston Villa activities)

Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May – Year 6 SATs (free breakfast club for all Year 6 children Monday to Thursday)

Tuesday 14th May – 9:30-11:30am – Year 5 at Villa Park

Tuesday 14th May – 2:45pm - Year 5's Mental Health Awareness assembly – families invited

Wednesday 15th May – Reception's trip to the Think Tank

Monday 20th May – 3:30-4:30pm – school disco organised by School Council (details to follow)

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 Condoval 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:

Sara – Year 1

Dean – Year 5

Atisam – Year 5

Ali – Year 5

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 Miss Williams

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 3rd May

Reception – Adam

Year 1 – Sara

Year 2 – Moiz and Zayn

Year 3 – Imaan

Year 4 – Lutfullah

Year 5 – Usmaan and Dean

Year 6 – Azaan

Times Tables Rockstars

Jeremiah – Year 4

Aaryan – Year 4

Atif – Year 6

Year 2

All the children in Year 2 have increased their understanding about the development of plants.



Maths this week was a challenge; they had to show their skills with tally charts. Well done, children.



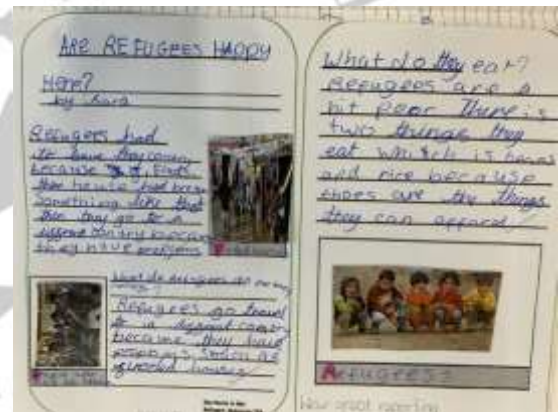
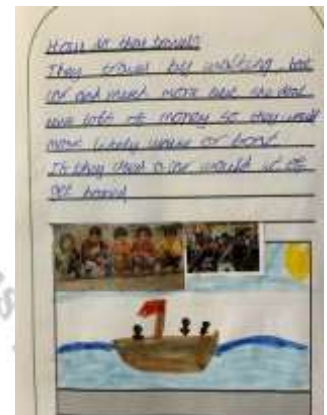
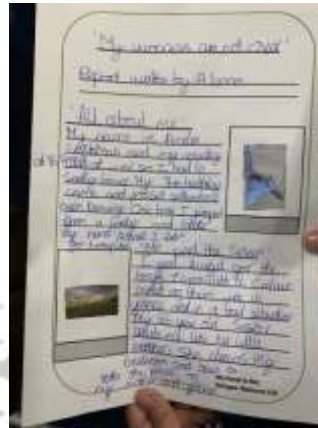
Year 3

Year 3 children enjoyed learning about money this week. They practised making different amounts, learnt how to convert from pounds to pence and discussed approximately how much things they like cost.



Year 4

Year 4 were discussing refugees after reading, My Name Is Not Refugee. Some fantastic research and writing.



Year 5

Year 5 have worked really hard this week in all areas of the curriculum.

Year 6

Year 6 have started to explore William Shakespeare's play, Romeo and Juliet, this week. They have particularly enjoyed learning about the famous Balcony Scene.

In preparation for SATS week the children have been working extremely hard and I would like to thank parents for their continued support.



We will be holding the book fair in the library from **Monday 29th April to May 13th on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. (Not Wednesdays due to staff meetings)**

This will be from 3.20pm to 4:00pm.

Please do come and have a look, as there will be a range on stimulating books and stationery.

Cash payments will be accepted and I can support parents to pay with card using smartphones or tablet.

Thank you.

Mrs Nehar





Please order your children's meals from this amazing dinosaur selection!