



Newsletter: 23rd July 2023

Dear Families

We have almost reached the end of this academic year. One day to go for the children, two more days for the staff. It has been a very difficult year for many of us and, although I have said this before, the staff really do appreciate the support you have given us this year. Lots of staff leaving has been very difficult, and for many of your children, you have had a range of adults teaching them which has not been easy. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Mrs Mohamed joined us in January as a supply teacher. She is now a permanent member of staff which we are very happy about! Apart from Mrs Nehar who will be our new Reception teacher, we may also be having some new staff join us in the Autumn Term. I will let you know if we do.

We are hoping you can join us for the Year 6's Leavers' Assembly on Monday at 9am. This will be followed by a Goodbye Assembly for Miss Bullock. (I already have my tissues ready. 😞)

On behalf of the staff and governors at Deykin Avenue, have a lovely holiday, enjoy being with your children and please stay safe. I am always available through Dojo if you wish to contact me. I will respond as soon as I can.

Children, please stay safe and listen to the adults who look after you. We will miss you and look forward to seeing you all again in September.

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 or Mr Bhatti 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.

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.

Important Dates

Monday 24th July – 9:00am – Year 6's Leavers' Assembly – families invited

Monday 24th July – 3:20pm – Children break up for the summer holiday

Monday 24th July – 5:00-7:00pm – Prom Night—we will discover who has been voted for Prom King and Queen in Years 2 & 6

Tuesday 25th July – Staff training day – children do not attend

Monday 4th September – Staff training day – children do not attend

Tuesday 5th September – Staff training day – children do not attend

Wednesday 6th September – Children return to school

Goodbye Miss Bullock

We will be saying goodbye to Miss Bullock straight after the Leavers' Assembly on Monday. You are more than welcome to join us. I saw the staff's reaction when Miss Bullock told them she was leaving and have heard the comments that past and present pupils have said about her. She will be missed. Losing our lovely Year 6 class and their teacher will be a very emotional moment so please bring tissues – you have been warned!



Happy birthday to the following children:

Ayaan – Reception

Imaan – Year 2

Aleena – Year 3

Ikhlaas – Year 3

Amirah – Year 3

Tasnim – Year 5

Caleb – Reception

Balal – Year 5

Michael – Year 1

Javad – Reception

Atif – Year 5

Freya – Year 3

Leya – Year 5

Thanha – Year 2

Ariana – Year 4

Reminders

The children can come to school on Monday in non-school uniform if they wish. This saves them wearing their uniforms for just one day.

If you are coming to the prom on Monday evening, have a lovely time. We will see who our Prom Kings and Queens are in Year 2 and Year 6.

After the holiday, please do not send your children to school with crisps, biscuits, chocolate, etc. Lots of children are eating these during play times and lunch times. We are trying to be a healthy school.

I have said that children may bring in sweets, cakes, etc when it is their birthday as a treat. If children are used to eating cakes and biscuits every day, bringing them in for special occasions will not seem like a treat for them. Thank you.

Attendance

Reception – 93.79%

Year 1 – 88.33%

Year 2 – 88%

Year 3 – 93.67%

Year 4 – 92.41%

Year 5 – 88.67%

Year 6 – 93.55%

Remember, the government expectation is 96% attendance or more.

Well done to Reception!

Please remember, if your children are not in school, they cannot learn. After the summer holiday, we hope these figures increase. Please DO NOT take your children out of school for holidays/term time leave. Thank you.

Behaviour Award

Well done to Years 4, 5 and 6 who had a lovely pizza lunch on Friday! There were LOTS of slices of pizza. I don't think anyone went hungry! We will start the behaviour stickers again from September. Remember, if your class has the most stickers by July 2024, your class will enjoy a pizza lunch.