



Newsletter: 24th March 2024

Dear Families

I would like to say a huge thank you to the staff at Zest Education who have provided us with a certificate to give to a child whose attendance has improved. They also provided us with a £10 gift voucher to present to a child with much improved attendance. This very kind gesture has been accepted by two of our children – Khadijah in Year 5 and Imaan in Year 3. Congratulations to you both!

Thank you to those parents who attended the consultation meetings. I hope you found them useful and informative.

After the holiday, we will be inviting you to join in with a reading lesson for your children. These will be held in the hall so that there is room for everyone who wishes to attend.

We will be officially joining ATLP on the 1st June. I am very excited by this. They have been amazing so far and have already provided a lot of support to our school. There will be changes – that is inevitable – but they will arrange a meeting where families can meet them and hopefully have any questions you may have answered.

Children, stay safe during the holiday and listen to your grown-ups.

Have a lovely holiday, everyone! Happy Easter to all who will be celebrating.

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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.
- Finally, please send your child to school with a water bottle. Many children are not bringing them and we do not have many cups we can use.

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

There will be 2 more training days to be confirmed.

Election Day

We have been informed that our school will be used for voting for the Police and Crime Commissioner and West Midlands Combined Authority Mayoral Elections on **Thursday 2nd May 2024**. School will be closed on this day to all children.

Swimming

Children in Years 4 and 5 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.

Year 5 – weeks beginning Monday 15th April and Monday 22nd April

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

Both classes will have a 45 minute lesson each afternoon.

Attendance

Reception – 74.64%

Year 1 – 93.45%

Year 2 – 88.33%

Year 3 – 92%

Year 4 – 96.66%

Year 5 – 93.53%

Year 6 – 93.33%

Whole School – 90.3%

Well done to Year 4 who have achieved above the magic 96%. You will have an extra 5 minutes playtime each day when we go back to school on Monday 8th April.

We are hoping that during the holiday, a lot of the bugs we have had in school will have gone away and everyone is feeling healthier. If your child is well, please make sure they come into school. We would rather them be in school late than not at all.

Thank you.

PE Lessons

Please see PE days below for each class. Children need to come to school on these days in their PE kits.

Please do not send them in wearing jeans. Thank you.

Reception – Fridays

Year 1 – Wednesdays (1 lesson in the morning and 1 lesson in the afternoon)

Year 2 – Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Year 3 – Thursdays and Fridays

Year 4 – Tuesdays and Fridays

Year 5 – Mondays and Thursdays

Year 6 – Mondays and Thursdays

Important Dates

Monday 8th April – Children return to school

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



Happy birthday to the following children:

Caleb – Year 6
Zoya – Year 6
Rameen – Reception
Azaan – Year 6
Affan – Year 2
Mujtaba – Year 6
Sengamo – Year 1
Maida – Reception
Maya – Year 1
Muskaan – Year 2
Bilal – Year 3
Hafsa – Year 6
Anas – Year 4

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.



Happy Easter to all who are celebrating!



Star of the Term



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

Friday 22nd March

Reception – Aira
Year 1 – Mahira
Year 2 – Isra
Year 3 – Mikayla
Year 4 – Chioma
Year 5 – Iqra
Year 6 – Anaya

Times Tables Rockstars

Aaliyah – Year 4
Yahyaa – Year 5
Caleb – Year 6

Snapshots of the Week!

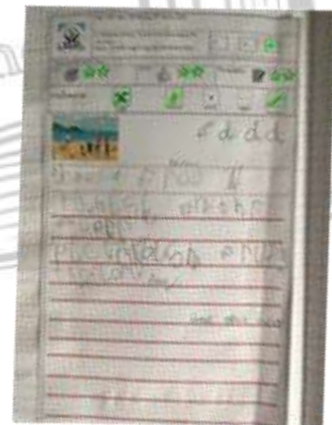
Reception

Firefighter Day!

We were very lucky to meet real firefighters who showed us their equipment and let us hold a fire hose! We learnt lots about fire engines and the role of firefighters. We learnt all about what firefighters do and who to call in case of a fire or an emergency.



We also learnt about other services that help us such as coastguards. We learnt about various sea creatures and how to keep marine animals safe by not throwing litter.



Year 1

Year 1 showed off their creative side when making puppets! I think you'll agree that they look fantastic.



Year 1 also made Easter wreaths.



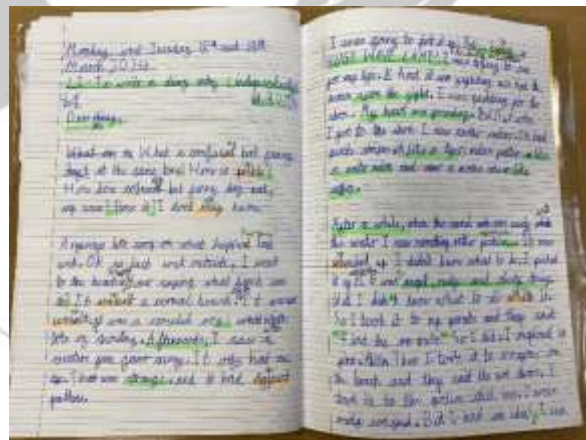
Year 2

This week, the children in Year 2 have been using similes. They drew lines to match the pictures with the sentences. Then they had to find interesting nouns to complete their own work.



Year 3

This week, Year 3 children wrote a diary entry based on the book 'Flotsam'. They showed creativity and created fascinating plots using their own ideas. Some children made up amazing imaginary creatures and used a range of literary devices to describe them.



Year 4

Year 4 have been talking about respect and resilience. We made posters about how important these are in life.



Year 5

Year 5 have had a busy week and really enjoyed their visit to the Think Tank on Monday.

Year 6

This week in geography, the children had the opportunity to visit Aston Park to act like geographers; half of the class were human geographers, looking at the human features in the area, the other half were physical geographers, identifying the physical features. They observed, sketched and took photographs of what they saw.



In art this week, the children have demonstrated observational proportional art to create a photorealistic portrait style of art.



Thank you to a Year 4 parent who sent me this.



SHARE THE GIFT OF FOOD THIS RAMADAN

Masjid Al Falaah is taking part in the **cost of living scheme** being run by Islamic Relief to help deliver **food parcels to struggling families** in this month of giving.

If you are in need or know someone who is in need of food, you can collect a **FREE food parcel on Sunday 24th March 2024 from Masjid Al Falaah** - After 1pm
32 Trinity Road, Birmingham B6 6AL



Contact: Adil 07966 118958 | Abdul Rauf 07956 491478 | Ashfak 07534 093525



20 March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Measles (MMR) Vaccine Reminder

There remains an increasing number of people with measles in Birmingham. Most of these are young children who have not had their MMR (measles) vaccine, although the numbers of adults getting measles is also increasing now too.

Measles is a highly infectious disease, which can be very serious. Two doses of the MMR vaccine is the best protection against measles. Over 80% of Birmingham children and adults have had the MMR vaccine. We need everyone protected.

The MMR vaccine is safe for every faith. There is a type of MMR vaccine that does not contain pork gelatine, so it can be used for people who do not touch any pork products. This vaccine is available at every GP practice, and it is free.

Please contact your GP to book an appointment for Measles (MMR) vaccine.

Children and adults can catch up on any missed vaccines. Children should have the first dose at 1 year old and the second dose at 3 years and 4 months old. Two doses of the MMR can provide life-long immunity.

Up to a third to half of those with measles have been very ill and had to be admitted to hospital - this disrupts learning or work, and some people will suffer long-term effects from getting measles. Please ensure you and your loved ones are vaccinated this, Easter.

Yours sincerely,



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For more information visit: [Measles - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

Use this section to record the date and time of your child's vaccination appointment:

on: ____/____/____ (date) at _____am/pm (time).