



Newsletter: 3rd March 2024

Dear Families

On behalf of the Reception children and staff, I would like to say a huge thank you to Joinex Displays Ltd who have provided free resources for our children. They have made us several things and not charged us for materials or their time. We are very grateful as if we had bought these items, we would have easily spent hundreds of pounds. Please see the photos in Snapshots of the Week – I am sure you will be amazed by their generosity. THANK YOU!!!

We will be holding parent consultation meetings in the final week of this half term. Most classes will be on the Wednesday and Thursday from 3:30-6:00pm. However, Year 2 will hold theirs on Thursday 7th March during the school day. Year 3 will be holding their appointments on Wednesday 20th March from 1:00-6:00pm. Year 6 will be holding theirs on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st March 3:30-5:00pm and Friday 22nd from 2:00-4:00pm. Letters will be sent out this week for you to book your slot with your children's teachers.

Thank you to parents who have not been parking on the zig zag lines, or double parking to let children out of cars. This week, we have sent photos of cars parked on the zig zag lines to Birmingham City Council. They don't inform us of their actions but we will continue to do this in order to keep our children and their families safe.

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.
- 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

Spring Term 2023

Term Starts: Monday 8th January 2024

Half Term: Monday 12th February 2024 - Friday 16th February 2024

Term Ends: Friday 22nd March 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.



Happy birthday to the following children:

Sienna-Rose – Year 2

Ayana – Reception

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 – 88.42%

Year 1 – 92.33%

Year 2 – 97.67%

Year 3 – 93.1%

Year 4 – 92.25%

Year 5 – 92.07%

Year 6 – 93.67%

Whole School – 92.88%

Well done to Year 2 who had the best attendance last week. You will receive an extra 5 minutes playtime each day as you were above the magic 96%!

If your child is healthy, please send them to school. If they have a medical appointment, please send them to school before and/or after rather than letting them have the whole day off school.

If your child is late for school, please send them in as soon as possible. We would much rather children come to school late than not come to school 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

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day – bedtime stories. Lots of activities during the day. Children and staff may come to school in their pyjamas. (Children, please wear a clean pair of pyjamas, not the ones you have spent all night in!)

Thursday 7th March – 10:30am – Year 1 leaving to travel to Waterstones in Birmingham

Monday 11th March – 9am – Reception’s Mother’s Day Assembly – families invited

Wednesday 20th March – 3:30-6:00pm - Parent consultation meetings (details to follow)

Thursday 21st March – 9am – Star of the Term/Attendance/Behaviour awards – families invited

Thursday 21st March – 2:50pm – Aston Churches Easter Assembly – families invited

Thursday 21st March – 3:30-6:00pm - Parent consultation meetings (details to follow)

Friday 22nd March – 3:20pm - break up for the Easter holiday

Maths Lessons – Parents/Carers Invited

Year 1 – Monday 11th March – 9:30-10:30am (after Reception’s Mother’s Day assembly)

Year 2 – To be confirmed

Year 5 – Wednesday 6th March – 10:00-11:00am

Year 6 – Tuesday 5th March – 10:00-11:00am

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March 2024

(A message from Mrs Nehar.)

On this day, we will be celebrating our favourite authors, stories and poems.

We will have a “Bedtime Stories” theme and ask that you dress your child in clean pyjamas to wear to school on this day. We will read many bedtime stories to them and encourage parents to do the same. Some examples of famous bedtime stories include traditional tales, such as Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, The Ugly Duckling and so on.

In the morning, we will have a special assembly where we will announce the winners of the book design and poetry contest. We will also retell fun stories to create excitement and a love for reading. Please join us if you can at 9am!

World Book Day is a wonderful opportunity to get your child engaged with retelling stories and fostering a lifelong love and excitement for reading.

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 1st March

Reception – Rameen

Year 1 – Fazan

Year 2 – Araf

Year 3 – Mahdi

Year 4 – Modou and Shafayat

Year 5 – Lya

Year 6 – Avah

Times Tables Rockstars

Ayaan – Year 3

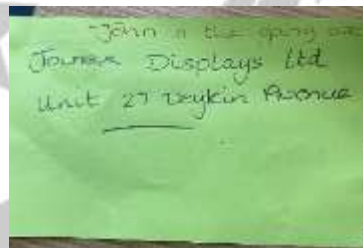
Jibraeel – Year 4

Mujtaba – Year 6

Snapshots of the Week!

Reception

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to John and his team at Joinex. This is the factory next to our school on Deykin Avenue who have provided us with free materials and made us equipment for Reception. They have not charged us for anything and we are extremely grateful for their kind generosity and their brilliant woodwork skills!!



Year 1

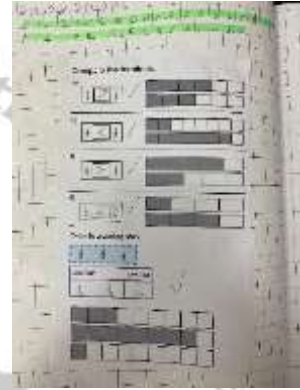
Year 1 have been looking at nouns in literacy this week. We have discussed that a noun is a naming word and is used for a person, place or thing. We also talked about proper nouns and how they need to have a capital letter when we use them. The children are really developing their knowledge of different word groups. Well done Year 1!

Year 2

Year 2 have been working hard in all subjects this week and are looking forward to World Book Day on Thursday!

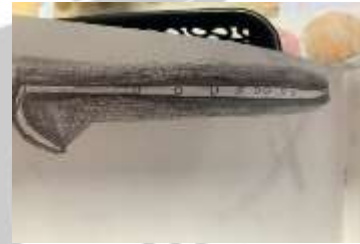
Year 3

This week, Year 3 children really enjoyed learning about unit and non-unit fractions. We learnt how we can compare unit fractions by looking at the denominators as well as compare and order non-unit fractions by looking at the numerators.



Year 4

Year 4 have looked at tone and shade to create a 3D effect in a 2D drawing.



Year 5

The children placed clothes on the outline of a person and labelled them in Spanish.



Year 5 have also continued to read Roald Dahl's, Matilda. We have found out that her dad is a car salesman. We have created our own radio adverts for him to use. Scan the QR codes to hear what we did.



Year 6

This week in maths, Year 6 have been working extremely hard on grasping algebra and I can safely say they have all enjoyed learning about it.





DECORATED EGG COMPETITION

FREE

Design your own Easter egg for a chance to win a prize!

Decorate a hard-boiled egg at home and bring it to school on Wednesday 20th March 2024.

EASTER RAFFLE

50p

Win a giant Easter egg or Lindt Bunny Family Hutch!

Last day to enter – Wednesday 20th March 2024.



EGG HUNT

50p

Meet the Easter Bunny and hunt for chocolate eggs and bunnies on Thursday 21st March!

You can order a laminated photo with the Easter Bunny for 50p.

Last day to enter – Wednesday 20th March 2024.

EASTER GIFTS

£1

Give a wonderful gift to your loves ones – a keyring with your photo and a message!

Last day to order – Friday 15th March 2024.

