

Newsletter: 8th October 2023

Dear families

This week, children in all classes were treated to a unique session with a specialist sports coach. Younger children had the opportunity to experience yoga and older children thoroughly enjoyed learning about fencing. This was just one of several special experiences we want our children to have while they attend our school.

On Friday, we said a sad 'goodbye' to Miss Bibi, who left Deykin Avenue to continue her teaching journey elsewhere. Miss Bibi has been a tremendous addition to the school and has had a very positive impact on all of the children that she has taught. We will miss her kind, supportive nature and I am sure you will join us in wishing her all the best for the future! The wonderful Miss Williams will continue to teach Year 3 and she was delighted to meet so many parents during the Year 3 parents' meetings on Tuesday. Parents meetings for all other classes will be on Wednesday 25th October.

Have a great week ahead.

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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 a medical 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.

Thank you!

We want all our pupils to be STARs: Successful, Tolerant, Ambitious and Resilient.

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

Autumn Term 2023

Term Starts: Monday 4th September 2023

Half Term: Monday 30th October 2023 - Friday 3rd November 2023

Term Ends: Friday 22nd December 2023

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

Friday 27th October 2023

There will be 2 more training days to be confirmed.



Happy birthday to the following children:

Albib (Year 6) Ismaeel (Rec) Khadijah (Year 5) Yunes (Year 2)

Banu (Year 5)

English Workshops

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Reception – Monday 2nd October - 9-10am

Year 1 – Tuesday 10th October – 9-10am

Year 2 – Thursday 26th October – 9-10am

Year 3 - Wednesday 4th October - 2:20 3:20pm

Year 4 – Friday 13th October – 9-10am

Year 5 – Tuesday 24th October – 9-10am

Year 6 - Monday 25th September - 9 10am

Important Dates

Monday 9th October – Rebecca Jennings in all day delivering Y5 & Y6 puberty talks **Tuesday 10th October** – 9am - Year 4 Harvest assembly – Year 4 parents welcome Thursday 12th October – 1:15pm - Rebecca Jennings delivering baby talks in Y6 (parental consent needed)

Wednesday 25th October – Parent consultation meetings – details to be confirmed and sent to you

Friday 27th October – Staff training day – children do not attend school

playtime this week.

Attendance last week

Most classes have improved their attendance - WELL DONE. If your Rec - 93.3%child is well, please send them to school. If your child keeps being Year 1 – 95.24% unwell, please speak to Mrs Baxter and she can arrange for the school Year 2 – 97.62% nurse to meet with you to discuss your child's health needs. Year 3 – 94.67% Year 4 – 98.62% Well done to Years 2, 4, 5 and 6 who all achieved more than our target Year 5 – 97.33% 96% last week. Once again, Year 4 were the winners so will receive extra Year 6 - 96.62%

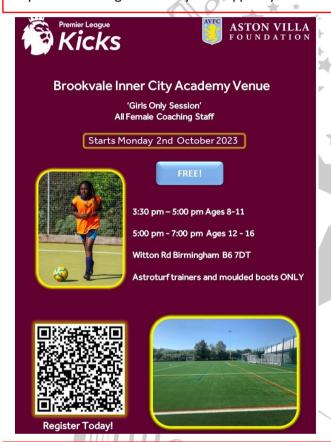
CONGRATULATIONS YEAR 4!!

Dolce - Lunches

Please remember to book your child's lunch using the School Grid app/website. If your child has a lunch but it has not been ordered, they will be offered a jacket potato and many children do not like this option.

It is very easy to order your child's meals. You can order them every day, for a whole week or even for a term. If your child is entitled to free school meals, it really is worth ordering them as they will receive a hot meal. If you pay for your child's meal, you can either set up a direct debit to pay, or pay an amount of your choice and then keep topping up as you run out of credit.

If you are having problems with using the School Grid (the app/website used by Dolce), please see Mrs Sayed or Mrs Dargan and they can support you and show you what to do.



TT Rockstars

Please do 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, which will help them in so many areas of maths.

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.



Merit Assembly

Finally, 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!!

Reception – Mohammed Ali Year 1 – Jessica Year 2 – Hamza Year 3 – Bianca

Year 4 – Aaliya Year 5 – Josephine

Year 6 – Anaya

Also well done to: Isra (Year 2), Imaan (Year 3) and Ameen (Year 5) for being the Times Tables Rockstar winners of the week!



Snapshots of the Week!

Reception

In reception, we have been learning about the Harvest Festival. We took part in fruit-tasting and discussed how farmers collect and distribute fruit around the world.

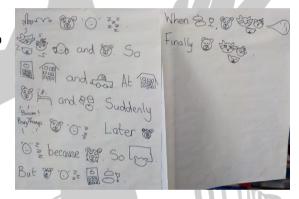
We had a sports workshop with Coach Sam and learnt new games and ways to move our bodies!





Year 1

This week, Year 1 have been making a story map for the book 'Hibernation Hotel'.
We used pictures and actions to help us remember the order of the story.



Year 2

Children in Year had the opportunity to create observational drawings this week.

Children drew familiar objects, focusing upon shape, texture and lines, including shading.







Year 3

This week year 3 children learnt to bake a seasonal crumble. They practised measuring the ingredients, slicing apples and rubbing butter into the flour.

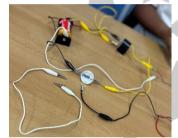


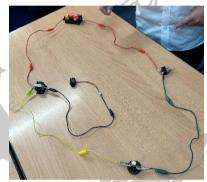


Year 4

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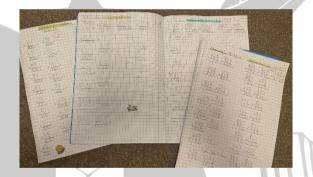






Year 5

This week, Year 5 have been working on column addition and subtraction. Mr Downes is so proud of how hard the children are working as well as their lovely presentation.



Year 6

This week in our science lesson, Year 6 have been using the skills they have learnt about how Carl Linnaenus classified organisms and they then classified different mammals and reptiles.

