



Newsletter: 9th July 2023

Dear Families

As we approach the final 11 days at school, I would like to thank all families for your support during this year. It has been very challenging for all of us and the staff and governors do appreciate the kind words and support you have shown us.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to Aston Villa Foundation for their brilliant organisation of sports day on Thursday. Thank you to Jamie who works with us Thursday afternoons but volunteered to come in free Thursday morning as well. Thank you to Paul and Alex who organised (free of charge) two further coaches, Dale and Chris, to help Jamie set up the day's events. Finally, a big thank you to Mrs Thompson who organised the day along with Jamie, Dale and Chris and saved me from doing this exhausting job!! On behalf of the children, you are all fantastic. We are continuing working with Aston Villa Foundation next academic year.

I hope you will be able to attend some of the events we will be having over the next two weeks. Details about parent meetings and prom night will be sent out this week.

Finally, Year 6 children will receive their SATs results this week. Whatever score you achieve Year 6, the staff and your families are all very proud of you.

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

Tuesday 11th July – Year 6 SATs results are released for schools to view

Wednesday 12th July – Year 6 at their secondary schools for the day (some schools are having extra days so please check your child's letter) – this has been changed from the 5th July

Wednesday 12th July – 9:00am – Nursery Graduation – families invited

Friday 14th July – 9:00am – Mr Holmes leading the Year 4 flute concert plus electives in Year 5 – families invited

Friday 14th July - Annual parental reports sent home

Tuesday 18th July – 9:00am – Year 2's Moving Up assembly – families invited

Wednesday 19th July – Parental consultation meetings – a letter will be going home

Thursday 20th July – 9:00am – Star of the Term/Attendance/Prizegiving – families invited

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 be voting for the Prom King and Queen in Years 2 and 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



Happy birthday to the following children:

No birthdays this week.

Free Books

There are some more books that we have sorted out that can go home free with your children. Each class will have an opportunity to choose a book tomorrow (Monday) and any books left, will be put out on a table on the grass area by the outside gym.



Lunches

Please remember to book your children's lunches on School Grid. Children who do not have a pre-booked meal are given a jacket potato which they do not always want or like. This is the only option offered by Dolce if a meal has not been ordered. Please pre-book your children's meals. Thank you.

Attendance

Reception – 83.89%

Year 1 – 90.56%

Year 2 – 87.78%

Year 3 – 86.67%

Year 4 – 90%

Year 5 – 89.44%

Year 6 – 91.4%

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

Last week, we had some children taken abroad for term time leave and some children did not come to school on Thursday. The impact of this on a 3 day week (we have not taken the Wednesday and Friday into account as school was closed on both days) has reduced our attendance. Year 6, you win the attendance again, but will not have an extra 5 minutes play time each day as your attendance was below the magic 96%.