



DEAN FIELD NEWS



Friday 10th May 2019

Thank you to all the parents who took part in the parents' learning walk on Wednesday. It was a fantastic morning and lovely to see parents and grandparents interested in what goes on here at Dean Field. We spent around an hour looking around school, watching lessons and talking to children about their learning. The feedback from the event was extremely positive—this will definitely become a regular event and from September we will plan in a termly parents' learning walk.

Here's what the parents said:

I love the positive messages throughout school on boards and comments from teachers to pupils.

The class looks so much better and well presented with teaching staff making sure the children are taught well.

I really enjoyed the walk and seeing what the children's routines are.

The children's behaviour was outstanding and the classrooms were so quiet.

Everything is really organised and the teachers are all dedicated to improving the school.

The curriculum seems more varied now.

It seems like the learning is very complex from year 3 onwards.

Staff Training

This week our staff meeting focussed on teaching and learning. Teachers created a checklist of what you would see if you walked into a classroom at Dean Field School. Here's what they came up with:

All children engaged in learning
Collaborative learning (Learning Partners)
Excellent behaviour for learning
Creative learning opportunities
Differentiated questioning
Rewards and praise
Working walls
Children taking pride in their work

Effectively deployed support staff
Children's achievements celebrated
Independence
Consistency
Enthusiastic and happy children
Purposeful classroom layout
Cross-curricular links
Children leading learning

Dean Field Community Primary School, Cousin Lane, Halifax, HX2 8DQ.



Dates for your diary

May

Monday 13th May to Thursday
16th May Y6 SATs

Wednesday 15th May—Y5 Trip to Yorkshire Water treatment

Wednesday 22nd May—Summer Bulb planting (see Family Learning Sessions opposite)

Thursday 23rd May—Y1 Trip to Ogden Water

Friday 24th May—school closes for 1/2 term

June

Monday 3rd June—School opens

Wednesday 26th June—Y5 Trip to London

Wednesday 26th June— Y3 Trip to Science Museum

July

Thursday 4th July Summer Fayre

July—PLEASE READ!

Friday 19th July—School closes at 3pm. Parents of children who usually attend Friday afternoon clubs may collect at 1.10pm but we will still run clubs for those children who want to stay. There will be no DFD on this last day.

Please note that our closing date has changed. We previously stated that school would close on Monday 22nd July as this was the date that had been set by the local authority, when we were a local authority school. Now that we are an academy we are free to set our own term dates. Due to poor attendance on the last two days of term last year, we have made the decision to close on Friday to protect our attendance figures.

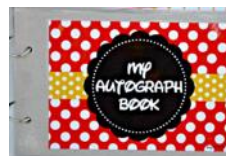


FAMILY LEARNING SESSIONS



Wednesday 22nd May -
Summer bulbs/planting
(Booking required, places are limited).

Tuesday 11th June - Y6
Family Learning (Design and make a t-shirt and autograph book - end of year celebration). (Booking required, places are limited).



Bookings forms will be sent out nearer the time.

KEY DATES FOR THE SUMMER TERM

Monday 10 th June	Year 6 Reward Day at Sunnyvale
Wednesday 12 th June	2019 Reception starters' welcome event 4.30pm-6pm
Wednesday 19 th June	2019 Nursery starters' opening morning
Friday 21 st June	Year 6 prom
Friday 28 th June	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - all year 6 parents
Monday 1 st July	Year 6 transition to Trinity (only those children attending Trinity)
Thursday 4 th July	Summer Fayre
Friday 5 th July	End of year reports go out to parents
Friday 5 th July	Transition Day
Wednesday 10 th July	Parents Evening
Thursday 18 th July	End of year behaviour treat - party festival
Friday 19 th July	End of year Rewards Assembly - ticket only event
Sports Day TBC	

Governor Nominations

Just a reminder the parent governor nominations need to be back in by Friday 24th May.

Thank you for your co-operation.

SAFEGUARDING

Sexual Health

Sexual Health & safeguarding

Children as young as 8 or 9 have been reported as having accessed pornography and whilst this is often by accident there are instances of this being sought out deliberately. A recent incident in Calderdale came to light in this particular case a child had deliberately accessed a pornography site with a friend, after this particular website was 'suggested'. This may suggest a particular website is being shared amongst young children of primary school age, and although this may be a local issue it may be worth parents being vigilant around internet filters the importance of reducing the chances of this happening with your children. Where viewing has happened talking to children about this is really important and the "thinkuknow" website has some useful information; https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/14_plus/Need-advice/Porn/

A few simple tips which have been shown to work are;

Stay Calm; Flying off the handle is unlikely to help your child sort out any negative feelings they may have experienced watching this, and prevent them confiding in you in the future.

Listen; Listening is crucial to find out what happened, ie did your child specifically look for this content or was it accidental and / or childlike curiosity.

Reassure; by reassuring your child they are not in trouble and you understand their curiosity you can ensure that any upset or confusion caused by what they had seen can be dealt with. Of course, even if this content was actively sought it may have been more explicit than expected.

Plan; is it right to talk just when you have discovered they have seen porn? Do you need a bit of time to calm down?

Ask; Asking your child how it made them feel gives an opportunity for them to express whether they were upset by it, turned on, confused or a mix of all of this.

Talk about sex; This isn't about going into graphic detail about sex, but giving your child a realistic version of sexual relationships. Ie scenes in pornography involve actors who are being paid to act, in certain ways and certain roles, and do not depict the vast majority of real life relationships. Pornography is generally a poor teacher of values like respect and consent

Sure Start Children's Centres
North and East
Family Support Drop In.

For advice, information and support on a variety of issues—

- Confidential support
- Research and language support
- Behaviour support
- Housing services
- Child development
- School issues
- Benefits and debt advice
- Parenting support and programmes

Drop in sessions run from the following centre:

Kevin Pearce Children's Centre
Friday - 9.30 - 11.30am

If you would like more information please contact:
Kevin Pearce Children's Centre on 01422 251090

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Period: 7.5.19—10.5.19



Group	% Attend
Mexico	93.2%
China	95.1%
Poland	99.1%
Kenya	88.3%
India	97.1%
USA	97.5%
Ireland	97.5%
Totals	95.3%

Congratulations to Poland class who had the highest attendance in the school this week. Also well done to USA and Ireland classes who came second!

I am seriously concerned of classes who are below 96%. We will be having meetings with parents of children who are of concern.

If your child is absent from school please contact the school office on 01422 258258 before 9.00am.

It is important we are aware of the reason for your child/children's absence. This becomes a safeguarding concern if parents do not inform school when their child/children are absent. Please contact the school office on the first day of absence before 9am stating reasons for absence. This will avoid any absences being recorded as unauthorised.

If you have any concerns or questions surrounding your child/children's attendance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many Thanks
Lorraine Stansfield, Pastoral Manager



CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY



GOLD BOOK



MEXICO RECEPTION	Sydney	For some super doubling work this week!
	Pryia	For putting so much effort into everything she does!
CHINA YEAR 1	Noah	For using excellent vocabulary in his science lesson and completing his home challenge on plants
	Poppy	For her excellent analysis of sprinting skills in PE
POLAND YEAR 2	Evie	For taking pride in all of her work
	Lilly	For never giving up!
KENYA YEAR 3	Morgan	For an improvement in his attitude towards learning and putting 100% effort in his work
	Evie	For doing lots of reading and trying to increase her average quiz %
INDIA YEAR 4	Brook	For always being super helpful to <u>everyone</u> in class
	Chloe	Volunteering answers in class
USA YEAR 5	Ruby-Lou	For contributing well in science during our experiment
	Ellie	For her amazing effort during all lessons and support for others
IRELAND Y6	Callum	For trying so hard in class during the last few weeks
	Olivia	For being an 'always' person

1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Meal Option	Sausage Rolls 5.10.12	Chicken Dinner + Gravy 10	Fish Fingers 2.5	Chicken Nuggets 4.5	Pizza 4.5.10.12
	Veggie Nuggets 5	Cheese Tortellini 5.10.12	Chic Pea Curry + Rice 5.8.10	Quorn mince & Sliced potato Pie 10.12	Vegetable Lasagne 5.10
Vegetables	Peas/Corn Chips	Carrots/ Broccoli Roast Potato 5	Peas / Mixed Veg New Potato	Spaghetti Wedges 5	Beans Chips
Sub/ Wrap	Tuna/Cucumber Subs 5.10	Chicken Tikka Sub 3.5.10	Egg+ Cress Sub 3.5.10.12	Cheese and Tomato Sub 5.10	Assortment of subs 2.3.4.5.10.12
Served Every day	Jacket Potato Sandwiches				
Dessert	Cream Rice Pudding 10	Chocolate Sponge + Custard 5.10.12	Apple Crumble + Custard 5.10	Rainbow Sponge and Custard 5.10.12	Cheesecake 5.10
	Crispy Buns 10	Strawberry Whip 4.5.10.12	Jelly	Choc Whip 4.5.10.12	Ice cream 10
	Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10 Biscuits 4.5.10.12	Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10 Biscuits 4.5.10.12	Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10 Biscuits 4.5.10.12	Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10 Biscuits 4.5.10.12	Fruit Salad Yoghurt 10 Biscuits 4.5.10.12