



# DEAN FIELD NEWS



Friday 11th October 2019

As we come close to the end of the first half term, I would just like to say how incredibly proud I am of all the pupils and staff at Dean Field. We have had such a positive start to the school year. Pupils are looking smart, they are engaged well in lessons, they are polite and well mannered around school and most of all they are taking pride in and enjoying their learning.

Myself and the other leaders in school are carrying out lots of monitoring to ensure teaching and learning is of the highest standard. So far, since September, we have done a review of reading, maths, SEND and science. The feedback from all these areas has been overwhelmingly positive with very few areas for improvement.

As we move into the second half of the Autumn Term we will focus on other areas of the curriculum that we call the foundation subjects such as history and geography.

I am looking forward to the upcoming parents' week (letters will go out about this after half term) where you will see from coming into school and hopefully joining in with one of our learning walks that we continue to go from strength to strength.

Mrs F Pether

## Staff Training

It's been a busy week for Dean Field teachers!

On Tuesday our teachers attended a meeting about how Ofsted will inspect our curriculum. I am really pleased to say that they didn't actually hear anything they didn't already know as we are well ahead in terms of preparing for our next Ofsted inspection.

On Wednesday all our teachers attended a staff meeting at Beech Hill about the teaching of reading and how important reading is in order for pupils to access the whole of the curriculum.

Mrs Burke, Miss Fudge and Mrs Sharp attended a twilight session for the leadership course they are completing—I think they just about made it home for bed time!!

Mrs Stansfield attended an event on Wednesday about the bagel breakfast initiative that we have signed up for. This initiative which is funded by the government is due to run out in March 2020 so we are gathering evidence for the DfE to show the impact it has had at Dean Field School.

Finally, Mrs Burke organised some SEND training for our teaching assistants on Friday morning on how to effectively support our pupils with additional needs.

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



## Dates for your diary



### **Tuesday 15th October**

Y1 morning visit to Beechwood Park

### **Wednesday 16th October**

Individual and Family Photographs, siblings not attending this school can come at 8am to have their family photo, siblings in school will have family photos' in school time.

**Friday 18th October** we are going to hold a 'dress down day' with a nautical theme to raise money for Calderdale Lighthouse.

Children are free to come in on this day in non-uniform with a nautical theme/or wear something blue and we ask for donations of 50p per child to go to Calderdale Lighthouse.

**Friday 18th October** school closes for 1/2 term

**Monday 4th November** school opens

**Monday 4th November** Flu Immunisations for Reception to Y6

### **Friday 20th December**

We will not be running Friday after school clubs on this day, however, we understand some parents may not be able to collect children at 1.10pm so we will have provision in place for these children. Where possible, if you can collect your child, we encourage you to do so. Thank you



## CHRISTMAS FAYRE Wednesday 18th December

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Christmas Fayre. Do you have any ideas for helping to raise funds. Would you like to help out on one of our stalls? Please contact the school office if you would like to help. Thank you

## School Term Dates 2019/2020

<b>2019 Autumn Term</b>	Re-open	Monday 2 September
Half Term/Training week	Close	Friday 18 October
	Re-open	Monday 4 November
Christmas	Close	Friday 20 December
<b>2020 Spring Term</b>	Re-open	Monday 6 January
Half Term	Close	Friday 14 February
	Re-open	Monday 24 February
Easter	Close	Friday 3 April
<b>2020 Summer Term</b>	Re-open	Monday 20 April
May Day	Closed	Friday 8 May
Half Term	Close	Friday 22 May
	Re-open	Monday 1 June
Midsummer	Close	Friday 17 July

## PHOTOGRAPHS

**CHEESE!**



The photographer will be in school on Wednesday 16th October. If you wish for family photos' of children who don't attend Dean Field please come at 8am.

Siblings in school will have individual and family photos' in school time.

If your child attends Nursery but not on a Wednesday morning please come at 8am for their individual photograph.

## SAFEGUARDING

### Information received from Network Rail



There has been a very high level of trespassing on the railway tracks by young people in the local area, Network Rail in partnership with Learn Live are working to help raise awareness to students across the UK educating them about the dangers of the train tracks through interactive digital delivery.

Please click on the link below and share with your child /children

The session is led by a safety manager from Network Rail and explains in less than 15 mins why it is important to stay safe near the tracks.

(Video is best viewed when using Google Chrome/Edge browser.)

<https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-primary-school-safety-talk/>



### Period: 7.10.19— 11.10.19



Group	% Attendance
Mexico	89.3%
China	91.2%
Poland	95.2%
Kenya	98.2%
Brazil	95.9%
USA	92.8%
Ireland	94.7%
Totals	93.9%

Congratulations to Kenya class who had the highest attendance in the school this week. Also well done to Brazil class 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 Loraine Stansfield, Pastoral Manager



# CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY



## GOLD BOOK



MEXICO RECEPTION	Nico	For being engaged in learning and encouraging others!
	Harper	For making excellent progress in phonics!
CHINA YEAR 1	Priya	For making excellent progress and for being enthusiastic when writing
	Sarah	Making excellent progress and developing in confidence
POLAND YEAR 2	Georgie	For her letter writing in English
	Annalise	For her superb toucan art work
KENYA YEAR 3	Elliot	Second week in a row! For increasing his reading age by a whole year
	Molly	For learning her 4X table so well, she can say them backwards!
BRAZIL YEAR 4	Arabella	For a fantastic rainforest description and for ALWAYS being enthusiastic about learning!
	Tia	For her perseverance in English lessons this week
USA YEAR 5	Matthew	For improving his attendance and contributing in class
	Amanda	For scoring full marks in her place value assessment.
IRELAND Y6	Nial	For impressing Miss Baker with his maths
	Macey	For keeping her cool whilst teaching maths in front of 5 adults

1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Meal Option	Burgers in a bun 10,12,4,5	Braising Steak Gravy 5,10	Cod + Parsley mini fishcakes with parsley sauce 5,2,10	Roast Chicken Dinner Gravy 5-10	Pizza 4,5,10,12
	Veg Nuggets 5	Cheese Tortellini 5,10,12	Ravioli Cheese 5,10	Tuna Pasta Bake 2,5	Quorn curry + Rice 4,5,10,12
Vegetables	Spaghetti Wedges 5	Carrots / Cauliflower Mashed Potato 10	Peas / Corn Spicy Wedges 5	Broccoli / Carrots Roast Potatoes 5	Beans Chips
Sub/ Wrap	Ham Sub Roll 5	Tuna + Cucumber Subs 2,5,10	Cheese Subs 5,10	Chicken Tikka Subs 3,5,10	Beans / Chips Assorted Subs 2,3,4,5,10,12
Served Every day	Jacket Potatoes Sandwiches				
Dessert	Rice Pudding 10	Jam Shortcake Custard 5,10,12	Marble Sponge Custard 5,10,12	Chocolate Sponge Custard 5,10,12	Ice Cream 10
	Crispy Buns 10	Jelly	Banana Mousse 4,5,10,12	Cheese + Crackers 5,10	Parkin 5,12