

Friday 8th April 2022

Dear parents/carers,

As we come to the end of this long term, we have many things to look back on and be incredibly proud of. We have seen the biggest impact of Covid 19 this term in school, despite life supposedly returning to normality. We are still managing staff and pupil absence due to Covid and I suspect this will continue for a while after the Easter break.

Despite all the challenges we have faced, we have had a truly wonderful term. The pupils have all worked so hard and showed excellent behaviours for learning such as determination and resilience.

The biggest event that has happened this term, is of course of eagerly anticipated Ofsted inspection. We have seen our draft report and this has been sent back now for the final stages of the process. We look forward to sharing our final report with you when it arrives.

We finished the term off in the most amazing way today with Dean Field's Got Talent. Academic success is hugely important to us at Dean Field but allowing children to showcase their individual skills and talents is also so important. The event was enjoyed by all and brought a smile to everyone's faces. A big thank you to the staff who mentored the acts who took part, the judges and Miss Clay who organised the event so well.

Thank you for your continued support, we are very much looking forward to parents' evening and welcoming parents into school during the summer term.

I wish all our Dean Field families a restful Easter.

Mrs Fiona Pether



EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade

Mexico and Antarctica class had a wonderful Easter bonnet parade. They enjoyed singing Easter songs and performing a poem to a real audience, it felt so special to have our family members in school to share it with us. Thank you to all the parents/carers for helping them create such beautiful bonnets. They even had a special visit from the Easter bunny with a chocolate treat for each of us! The children then had a vote in class using cubes to decide on our two winning bonnets. Well done to Chad and Eleanor who received the most votes from their friends. Happy Easter everyone from EYFS.



Safeguarding

Nationally, many internet safety agencies are warning parents to be extra vigilant over seemingly fun videos widely circulating on YouTube and TikTok that feature a menacing character with razor-sharp teeth with the seemingly friendly name of 'Huggy Wuggy'.

The character is from a survival horror game called 'Poppy Playtime' which has the effect of leading parents and children to believe the videos are aimed at youngsters and contain no inappropriate material. It even gets to slip by many device parental controls.

The reality is that 'Huggy Wuggy' a blue bear-like creature chases and threatens other characters in nightmarish scenarios, leaving many children upset and frightened.

The Poppy Playtime game is perfectly legal and widely available on the App stores for Apple and Android mobile devices with a PEGI rating of age 12+.

Please be vigilant in respect of the content your children are accessing and take appropriate steps to remove or block any harmful content they may be exposed to.



Pupil Voice



Hello, my name is Regan,

As you are aware we will be breaking up on Tuesday to celebrate Easter. We celebrate Easter as a joyous holiday because it is the holiest day of the year for Christians. It celebrates their belief in the resurrection, or the rising from the dead, of Jesus Christ. Jesus was the founder of the religion of Christianity. Easter is always observed on a Sunday in the spring, but the date varies. It can fall on any Sunday between March 22 and April 25.

Children tend to celebrate eating chocolate eggs or going on Easter hunts.

How does the Eater bunny keep his fur looking so nice?

He uses hare spray! Ha-ha. That did make me giggle.

I hope you have a lovely Easter and eat lots of eggs!

Regan (Head Librarian)



Picture News - Advocate School

We are very pleased to announce that we are now an advocate school for Picture News! We love using the Picture News resources to share current issues with our pupils to facilitate debate and discussion. Not only does the resource link to the British Values, but it also allows children to reflect on their rights as a child and increases their understanding of global issues. You can find our testimonial at: <https://www.picture-news.co.uk/blog/advocates/>.



Eid Charity Collection

As you are aware, Ramadan is a very special month for Muslims. It is a time when they show their kindness and generosity by giving to charity. To celebrate the month of Ramadan, we will be doing an Eid collection to support our Refugee families at Beech Hill. We would like to give each family a gift box of special items such as toiletries, toys, clothes and other items.

We would be grateful if you could support us with this by sending in a small donation so we can purchase useful items for the families. You will be able to donate by handing it to your child's class teacher in an envelope labelled with 'Eid Charity collection'.

Let us work together as a school community to make Eid special for these families who are so far away from home. I am sure the families benefitting will be overwhelmed with our generosity.

Thank you for your support in advance.



DT Week



Pupils enjoyed spending their afternoons designing, making and evaluating a product linked to their current topic. Below is some pictures of the fantastic DT work and skills applied this week. Have a look on Seesaw to see more.

EYFS made castles and butterfly crafts.



Year 1 created moving pictures



Year 2 produced a vehicle for a farmer



Year 3 produced some amazing kites.



WOW!

Year 4 created moving animals.



Year 5 produced fantastic Brazilian headdresses



Earth Day 2022

Friday 22nd April



Sometimes we just need a little reminder to help us change our habits. As Earth

Day is in the holidays, can you think about what you can do at school and at home to help the environment? How can you encourage others to change their

habits? Maybe create some signs? Be creative and share your ideas on Seesaw.

Spring 2 Topic Curriculum Boards

Each year group has showcased the work they have done this half-term in regards to their topic curriculum boards. Sadly we can't invite you in to see these just yet but we still wanted to share the wonderful work your children have produced as well as sharing the great efforts your child's teaching team have done in putting them up. This week the school councillors and well-being councillors have judged the information displayed and the presentation of the boards in a friendly staff competition.



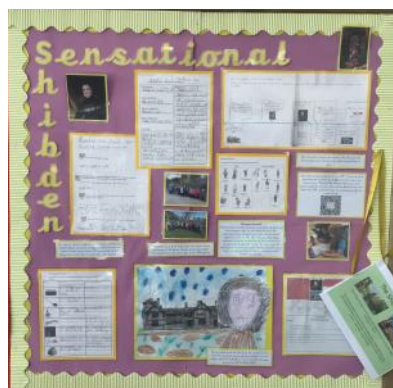
Nursery: Jack and the Beanstalk



Reception: Growing



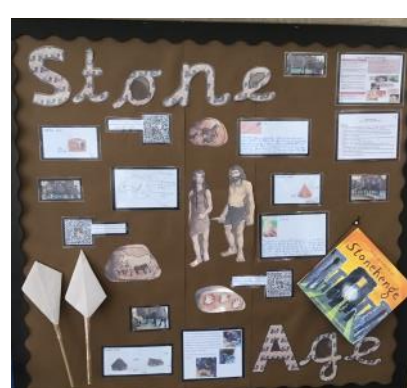
Year 1: Sensational Safari



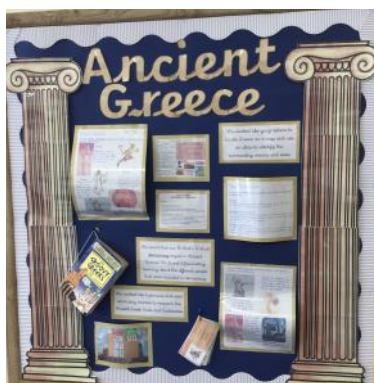
Year 2: Sensational Shibden



Year 3: American Adventures



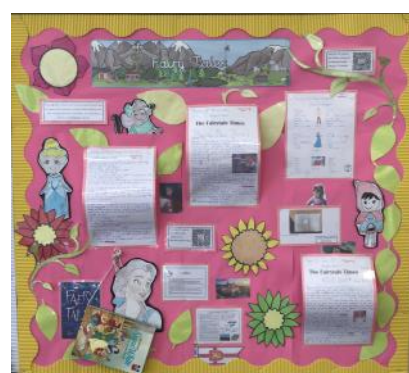
Year 4: Stone Age



Year 5: Ancient Greece



The winning year group this half-term was...Nursery!
The Nursery team have been presented with a hamper of goodies to enjoy over half-term.



Year 6: Fairy Tales

Give It A Go Holiday Club

Come and join the fun at St
Malachy's Catholic Primary School

Our holiday club is filled with
games, dance, drama, sport, arts,
crafts and forest school.

Tuesday 19th April - Friday 22nd
April

10am-2pm

Register now on our website
www.northernartsfactory.co.uk



Free Hot Meal!



**COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION
FOR CALDERDALE**



HOPE CHURCH EASTER EVENT



THURS 14TH APRIL 1PM - 3PM
AT DEAN FIELD SCHOOL

Come and make an Easter Garden!
Learn about the Easter story, decorate biscuits, and enjoy
some refreshments. Pop in anytime during the event and make
your Easter garden! Take it home and watch the seeds grow!

FREE



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WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CALDERDALE COUNCIL

Free Easter Camps

ABBEY PARK PRIMARY
KEIGHLEY CLOSE
HALIFAX
HX2 9DG

THIS SCHEME IS **FREE** TO CHILDREN
AGE 5-11 WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR
BENEFITS-RELATED FREE
SCHOOL MEALS

10AM - 2PM EVERYDAY

MONDAY 11TH- THURSDAY 14TH APRIL 2022

PLEASE SEE NEXT PAGE FOR BOOKING
INFORMATION.



ABBEY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL EASTER CAMPS

5 - 11 YEAR OLDS

10AM - 2PM

HOT LUNCH IS PROVIDED

OUR SESSIONS INCLUDE A VARIETY OF SPORTS
AND ACTIVITIES!

TO BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE ON A CAMP
PLEASE SEND ALL THE FOLLOWING
INFORMATION:

CHILD'S NAME & AGE,
DIETARY REQUIREMENTS/ALLERGIES,
MEDICAL INFORMATION, VENUE & DATES,
CONTACT PHONE NUMBER.

TO: PROJECTCOMMUNITIES@OUTLOOK.COM

FULL LIST OF VENUES AVAILABLE ON OUR
FACEBOOK PAGE @PROJECTCOMMUNITIESCIC



School Lottery

Don't forget to join the school lottery for just £1 a week and be in with a chance to win a weekly jackpot and great prizes like below whilst also helping Dean Field raise funds for extra resources and extracurricular activities.

To join go to yourschoollottery.co.uk/play and search for Dean Field Community Primary School.

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

Dean Field Community Primary School

WIN
A WHEELIE AWESOME PRIZE!

WIN A £500 BIKE VOUCHER

- Help give our fundraising a much needed boost
- Tickets cost £1 each
- Cash prize every week
- Win up to £25,000

PLAY NOW

Players must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 23rd Apr 2022. T&Cs apply (see website for details)

SmartMove

HALIFAX BOXING, SPORTS & FITNESS CLUB

Halifax Community Car Boot Sale

Halifax Boxing Sports and Fitness Club
Ladyship Business Park, Old Lane,
Halifax HX3 5QN

Sellers from 9am
To book your pitch to sell, visit Halifax Community Car Boot Sale on Eventbrite.

Buyers from 10am
Free entry.

Date of Next Car Boot Sale
Sunday 1st May 2022

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Any queries please email paula@calderdalesmartmove.org.uk

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DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Monday 11th April	Nursery Group 3 Halifax Library Trip
Tuesday 12th April	House Team winners non-uniform day
Tuesday 12th April	Last Day of School—Easter Holidays
Monday 25th April	School reopens
Thursday 28th April	Parent's Evening



Accelerated Reader Results

The winner is.....



Poland	93.6%
Ireland	85.8%
Brazil	84.3%
Kenya	83.8%
Australia	87.6%

You could help increase your class percentage by doing some extra reading on myON! There are thousands of books for you to choose from! If you need a reminder of your log-in details, please speak to your teacher. Visit <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/> to start reading!

This Weeks Attendance

Group	% Attendance
Mexico	89.6%
China	90.6%
Australia	95.7%
Poland	99.5%
Kenya	91.3%
Brazil	95.7%
Ireland	94.4%
Total	93.5%

Congratulations to Poland class who had the highest attendance in the school this week. Well done to Australia and Brazil classes for coming 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. It 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 any absence. This will avoid 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