

Friday 10th June 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

We've had an amazing start to the final half term of this year, and what a year it has been! We have lots of exciting events planned for pupils and parents in this final half term and we are pulling all the dates of these events together so they can be shared with you as soon as possible. Watch this space...

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

The phonics screening check is a national check for all pupils in year 1 and is designed to inform teachers about the children who are on track and have made sufficient progress with their phonics skills.

We are incredibly proud of the children in year 1 and how well they have done this week. A big thank you also to Mrs Oakes and Mrs Fish for helping prepare the children for this important milestone.

Uniform Reminder

We are seeing an increase in pupils wearing incorrect footwear in school. This may be because it's the summer months but many children are wearing trainers that are not black. All or mostly black trainers are permitted and many children opt for this as it is comfortable but any other trainers are not permitted. We thank you for your cooperation with this.

You may remember a while back we introduced a new and improved school logo. We have a very small number of children who are still wearing uniform with the old logo on and would like to ask that all pupils wear uniform with the new logo on from September.

KS2 Writing Moderation

This week we were visited by Local Authority writing moderators. Every four years schools are visited by writing moderators to verify and quality assure the assessment of writing at the end of KS2 (year 6). The moderators chose a number of children at random and Miss Lopuszniak presented her judgements. The moderators were extremely complimentary of the school and the work of the pupils that they saw. A big well done to Miss Lopuszniak and the year 6 team!

Places Available

Finally we have spaces available in years 3, 5 and 6. If you know of any parents locally looking for school places in these year groups please do recommend us.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs F. Pether

Staff Training

This week EYFS staff have attended medical training, arranged by our SENDco Miss Clay, so Dean Field can become further inclusive to all children and accommodate their needs.

Also this week, the teaching team at Dean Field met to discuss curriculum subjects and the impact of the subject action plans for this academic year. Subject leads are starting to review this year's subject action plans and the impact they have had and will now begin researching and forward planning to outline subject action plans for all subjects for the next academic year.

NSPCC

Everything we do protects children today and prevents abuse tomorrow, to transform society for every childhood.

Childhood Day 10th June 2022

We're calling for the Online Safety Bill to create a children's watchdog that stands up for them against Big Tech.

As the Online Safety Bill goes through Parliament, polling shows nine in ten (88%) of UK adults overwhelmingly support a watchdog to fight for children at risk of online sexual abuse.

More than three in four (79%) of UK adults don't trust tech firms to deliver their responsibilities under upcoming social media laws and think they'll likely downplay the harm their sites cause children (77%).

Our current plans for regulation would see children at risk of online sexual abuse given less of a voice than Post Office users or passengers on a bus.

We're calling for the Online Safety Bill to create a statutory watchdog to advocate for children as users of their services, funded by a levy on the tech industry to counterbalance their well-funded attempts to influence the regulator.



Pupil Voice



Hello my name is Darcie.

I hope you all had a nice weekend celebrating the Queen's Jubilee! Today we had our celebration in school for the Queen's Jubilee which included lots of dancing, music and games. The best part was when we all sang the National Anthem in the playground. The cakes and biscuits were delicious too!

Did you know that this month is National Candy Month? We are celebrating the fact that we have had candy in our lives for over a hundred years! You could celebrate this month by eating candy over the weekend! I'm sure your parents will thank me for this!

Have a lovely weekend.

Darcie.





Dean Field Community Primary is now a National Online Safety Certified School

Dean Field Community Primary has successfully completed a comprehensive online safety training programme demonstrating its commitment to keeping children and young people safe online. They have received a National Online Safety Certified School Accreditation for its whole school community approach to protecting children in the online world. National Online Safety is a multi-award winning digital training provider with extensive resources in online safety, developed in line with the Department of Education's statutory requirements. Its CPD accredited courses and educational resources support UK schools in educating the whole school community in online safety- including all senior leaders, teachers, all school staff and parents - on how to make the internet a safer place for children.

James Southworth, co-founder of National Online Safety, said: "Congratulations to everyone at Dean Field Community Primary on becoming a National Online Safety Certified School. By completing our training programme, the school has shown its strong commitment to implementing an effective whole school approach to online safety. It can be increasingly difficult for schools and parents to stay ahead of online threats and ensure both children and staff are safeguarded from potentially harmful and inappropriate online material. We arm schools with the knowledge they need to understand online dangers and react in the best way possible to any problems."

Mrs McKnight, computing lead, said: "We are thrilled to now be recognised for our commitment to keeping our children safe online. Our staff have completed the courses across this academic year to equip us with the knowledge to support our children and parents to successfully navigate their way around the ever changing online world".

Parents/carers can also benefit hugely from the school's subscription to the NOS website. To create your account, please follow <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/dean-field-community-primary-school> and complete your details. When you're set up, you'll be able to set 'Parent/Carer' as your user type. You can also access National Online Safety online via any device- including via our brand-new smartphone app. To download the app, please go to:

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/national-online-safety/id1530342372>

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=uk.co.nationaleducationgroup.nos>



Year 4 Timetables Tea Party

On Wednesday, Y4 had a timetables tea party ready for their MTC test next week. The children and adults completed a variety of timetable activities. The children showed their adults how the MTC test works. We even had a competition between adults and children.



Dean Field Duracell Battery Hunt 2022

This year Dean Field have entered the Duracell Big Battery Hunt and children and their families have worked hard to recycle various batteries in order to care for our environment. We have entered the competition with schools all over the UK and submitted a whopping total of 10,301 batteries! A huge thank you to everyone who took part and to Mr Coldwell on collating all the batteries together! These will now be taken to a local recycling bin at a local supermarket, one step closer to a greener planet!

If you have been super impressed with a pupil who has acted like a Battery Recycling Pioneer then please submit their story on the website for a chance for them to win an iPad!

www.bigbatteryhunt.co.uk/your-stories/



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 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.



Dean Field Community Primary School

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

WIN 1 OF 5 £100 B&Q Gift Cards

SUPPORT US Through Thick & Thin

- Please help give our fundraising a much-needed boost
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- Win up to £25,000!

To support your school, go to:
yourschoollottery.co.uk/play
and search for: **Dean Field Community**

www.halifaxgala.org.uk

HALIFAX
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Saturday
11th June
2022



GRAND PROCESSION DEPARTS 11.30AM @ EUREKA

 Manor Heath Park, Halifax 
Gates open 11am. Official opening 1pm



#HxGala2022



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TICKETS
ADVANCE FROM: £2
ON THE DAY: £4

Healthy and Fun Lunch Box Tips and Ideas

Keep It Balanced

Nutritionists recommend that a healthy lunch box contains starch (bread, pasta, rice, potato), protein (meat, fish, pulses, eggs), dairy (cheese, yoghurt, milk), vegetables or salad, fruit and a drink of water, milk or juice.



Keep It Cool

Invest in some cool packs to keep in the freezer and pop one in the lunch box to keep it cool until lunchtime. Or you could freeze yoghurt, smoothie tubes or juice boxes and pop one of these in instead. By lunchtime, they will have thawed out, keeping things cool at the same time.



Don't Overpack

Children's appetites are smaller than you think. To avoid overwhelming your child or causing lots of waste, don't pack too much into the lunchbox.



Use Cookie

Use cookie cutters to cut sandwiches into different shapes. You can also use small cutters on slices of cheese or fruit.



Mix Things Up

Make things more interesting by giving your child a pot of pasta or rice salad instead of sandwiches. Don't forget a spoon or fork! Or use different types of bread such as wraps, rolls, pitta bread or chapattis. Another great idea is to make a 'triple decker' sandwich with two layers of filling and three of bread.



Save the Treats

Encourage healthy choices by limiting 'treats' such as crisps or biscuits to one or two days a week. Chocolate-dipped strawberries or satsuma segments make a great alternative to a chocolate bar, and you can make healthier crisps by baking thinly-sliced sweet potato in the oven with a little oil and some herbs.



Get Ahead

Try to avoid making up lunchboxes in the morning, as time pressures may lead you to add less healthy convenience foods. Instead, pack the night before. Get your child to help you - by the middle years of primary school, most children should be able to make their own packed lunch with supervision.



Make a Granola Pot

Place chopped fruit such as strawberries, apple and banana at the bottom of a small pot and top with a layer of yoghurt and some crunchy granola. Toss apples and bananas with a little lemon juice to stop them going brown.



Eat the Rainbow

See if you and your child can find fruit in every colour of the rainbow, then chop and mix to make a rainbow fruit salad.



Prepare in Bulk

To save time, make pasta and fruit salads in bulk and serve out as much as you need. The rest can be eaten the next day or shared with other family members.



Summer 1 Topic Curriculum Boards

Each year group has showcased the work they have done from last half-term in regards to their topic curriculum boards. We want 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: On the Farm



Reception: Dinosaurs



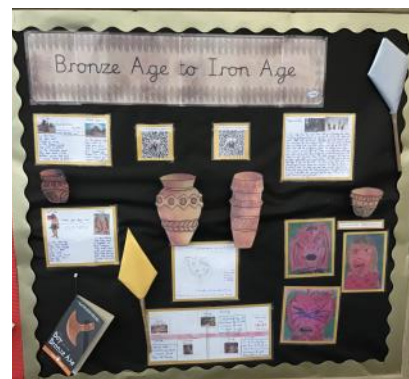
Year 1: Sensational Safari



Year 2: The Great Fire of London



Year 3: Invaders and Settlers



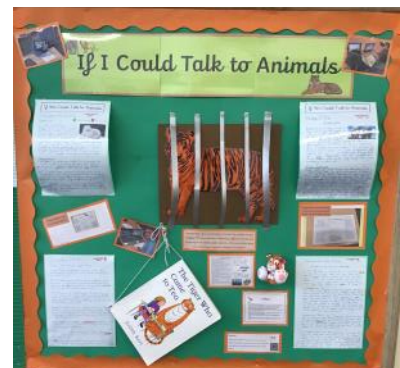
Year 4: Bronze Age to Iron Age



Year 5: Biomes



The winning year group last half-term is Year 6! The team have been presented with a hamper of goodies to enjoy.



Year 6: If I Could Talk to Animals

DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Tuesday 14th June	Year 3 + Year 4 football match
Thursday 16th June	New Reception Starters Presentation: 9:30am
Thursday 16th June	Year 5 + Year 6 football match
Thursday 23rd June	Year 6 prom

REMINDER: Friday after school clubs will finish on Friday 8th July.
There will be no clubs on Friday 15th July or Friday 22nd July.
School will close at 1:10pm on Friday 22nd July so there will be no Dean Field Den running.



**You learn
something every
day if you pay
attention.**

Time Table Rock Stars!

The class winners this week are:

Group	TTRS Winner
Australia	Freya B
Poland	Abi C
Kenya	Georgie A
Brazil	Katie-May A
Ireland	Miley A

Well done to everyone who took part! We can't wait to see who wins next week.



This Weeks Attendance

Group	% Attendance
Mexico	100%
China	90.6%
Australia	93.3%
Poland	94.2%
Kenya	95%
Brazil	90.8%
Ireland	94.4%
Total	94%

Congratulations to Mexico class who had the highest attendance in the school this week. Well done to Kenya class 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