

Friday 6th May 2022

Dear parents/carers,

A shorter but great week once again at Dean Field. All children have been busy settling into their new half term learning. Year 6 have been practicing extremely hard for their SATs which start next week, we wish them all the best!

Halifax Courier Announcement

This week Dean Field made the Halifax Courier as they reported on our fantastic Ofsted result. If you haven't had the chance to read it yet then you can find the article here: <https://www.halifaxcourier.co.uk/education/dean-field-community-primary-school-celebrates-good-ofsted-rating-3682049>



Parents' Evening

It was fantastic to finally have face-to-face parents' evening appointments last week and what a great turn out we had! 80% of parents' booked either a face-to-face or telephone appointment and the feedback from parents, staff and children has been brilliant. A big thank you to the Year 6 prefects who made sure it all ran smoothly. It truly was refreshing to see so many familiar families back in school.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Fiona Pether

Staff Training

This week, teachers joined Mrs McKnight, our Computing lead, to discuss National Online Safety and how staff can work towards achieving the award for E-Safety by completing relevant training and watching various webinars.

This term Mrs Pether has invested in 'Courageous Leadership' training by Diane Osagie for our senior leaders to read and attend webinars, the senior leadership team are very keen to get going as Diane Osagie is an inspirational leader.

Safeguarding

We know a lot of our children are walking home alone or in pairs after school, while we recognise this as a level of maturity & trust that parents have instilled within their children, there are often things that happen in communities that we cannot control.

How can you stay safe while walking home?

- Follow the rules of the road and obey signs and signals.
- Walk on pavements whenever they are available.
- Keep alert at all times; don't be distracted by electronic devices that take your eyes (and ears) off your journey home.
- Avoid walking alone and using shortcuts through unfamiliar areas.
- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Travel in well-lit areas.
- Wear something bright that can easily be seen.
- Always tell a trusted grown up if you are ever worried about walking home alone.
- NEVER give your location on social media.



Pupil Voice



Hello, my name is Evie,

Today is National Space Day, National space day occurs every first Friday in May, it was first celebrated back in 1997. We use this day to admire the starry wonder that is space, as it truly is a beautiful sight. Did you know that 1 hour in space is 7 years on Earth? It's because time is slower meaning 1 hour on earth is 0.0026 seconds in space. So it would take 385 hours (which is 16 days) for 1 minute to pass in space.

The first British astronaut in space was female, her name was Helen Shaman and she completed this achievement in 1991. Another astronaut called Tim Peak set off in 2015 for 5 months in space. He then returned in June 2016 as it took him another month to travel back.

Want to celebrate National Space Day? Here's how:

You could go read a book about the vast area of space and its contents. Or you can research on the internet! If you aren't that interested in research you can watch a space themed movie. If you want to find out more on this, go to:

www.daysoftheyear.com/days/space-day/

Thank you for reading

Evie (Year 6 prefect)



Reception Shroggs Park Trip

Reception had a brilliant trip to Shroggs Park for their rearranged spring trip! They talked about road safety and went on a spring hunt in groups ticking off what they could find. They enjoyed turns on the playground and explored the natural maze, playing games of hide and seek. Thank you to parents and carers for donations to the snack fund this half term as they enjoyed a brunch bar, they were very yummy!



Twitter

Don't forget we are now using Twitter as our social media platform to share the amazing things we have going on at Dean Field. It gives us the opportunity to show the world how fantastic we are and to also connect with other educational programmes, establishments and professionals to idea share. We can also 'tweet' relevant celebrities linked to themed days e.g. famous authors in hope that they reply, how exciting!

We are still following photo and GDPR permissions using our current records for twitter use, however, if you would like any changes to be made to your child's permissions regarding social media then please contact the school office to inform them.

If you are an established 'tweeter' then please follow us by searching for **@dean_primary** if not, you can still get involved by checking out our most recent tweets at the bottom of our homepage on our school website.



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.

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YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

We understand that times are tough, so we're extremely grateful for your support

YOUR SUPPORT COUNTS

We're facing financial challenges too
If you can, please help our fundraising

Please support our lottery

Just £1 a week

WIN up to £25k

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

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

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BIG Battery Hunt!

A nationwide battery recycling challenge and free educational resource from Duracell

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Dean Field are taking part in the Big Battery Hunt for the month of May for a chance to compete against other schools, recycle and look after our planet and to hopefully win some fantastic prizes!

To join in the fun please help your child to collect as many used AA, AAA, C and D batteries and bring them into school to deposit and recycle into their class boxes. Once collected the total will be submitted online to compete against other schools across the UK. **The deadline for batteries to be sent into your child's class is Tuesday 31st May 2022.**

Top prizes include £4000 towards outdoor play equipment for school! The leader board and further information can be found online at:

<https://www.bigbatteryhunt.co.uk/bbh-community/>



DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Monday 9th—Thursday 12th May	Year 6 SATs week
Tuesday 10th May	Year 2 Shibden Park Workshop
Thursday 19th May	Scholastic Book Fair in school
W/C Monday 23rd May	Parent Week—timetable to follow
Monday 23rd May	Scholastic Book Fair in school
Tuesday 24th May	Scholastic Book Fair in school

REMINDER: School opens after the next half term holiday on Tuesday 7th June. Monday 6th June is the additional day we get for the Queen's Jubilee as the day given falls in the school holidays.



Accelerated Reader Results

The winner is.....



Poland	86.7%
Brazil	87%
Kenya	81.8%
Australia	76.1%

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 login details, please speak to your teacher. Visit <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/> to start reading!

Time Table Rock Stars!

The class winners this week are:

Group	TTRS Winner
Australia	Seb L
Poland	Jacob B
Kenya	Noah M
Brazil	Jacob S
Ireland	Salah Uddin S

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



Group	% Attendance
Mexico	94.7%
China	92.7%
Australia	92.9%
Poland	93.5%
Kenya	95.7%
Brazil	95%
Ireland	95.1%
Total	94.3%

This Weeks Attendance

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

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

MEXICO RECEPTION	Elliot B	For being a super neat hand writer.
	Kaya M	For being a superstar in phonics.
CHINA YEAR 1	Max H	For being a multiplication superstar!
	Lillie-Paige K	For being very brave and settling into a new school.
AUSTRALIA YEAR 2	Ivy B	For pushing yourself in reading.
	Olivia H	For your improved concentration in all subjects.
POLAND YEAR 3	Ollie C	For your positive attitude in everything you do!
	Kyia R	For your excellent effort in reading.
KENYA YEAR 4	Lucas B	For your fantastic effort in English.
	Kiera W	For editing your own work in English.
BRAZIL Y5	Logan B	For being an absolute superstar at ALL times.
	Malaki C	For putting 100% effort into everything this week.
IRELAND Y6	Maisie T	For trying hard during SATs revision.
	Vincent P	For always doing the right thing in everything you do.