

Friday 9th September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic start to the school year! I have been so impressed this week with how well the children have settled back in.

A special welcome to our new reception pupils. The majority of the pupils in our reception class this year have been with us since nursery but for those pupils and their families who joined us this week, a very warm welcome and we look forward to getting to know you and sharing this special journey with your family.

Just a few reminders for parents:

If you do for any reason need to speak to your child's class teacher then this cannot be done at drop off or pick up times, however you can message them on Seesaw or phone the office and they can give you a call at a suitable time.

Seesaw is our main form of communication and really helps us keep in close contact with parents, as well as sharing all the different experiences your children will get at our school. If you are not signed up for Seesaw then please see your child's class teacher for a QR code to get you started. Other family members are able to access Seesaw too! If you are signed up but are not regularly checking, then we encourage you to do this. This year we will be sharing more and more information with parents via Seesaw to cut down on the amount of photocopying we do as a school. All important messages from school will be sent via Seesaw so it is important they reach **all** parents.

Seesaw messages from parents, should not be used to ask general questions that need to be directed to the office or to report absences. Please phone the school office to enquire about uniform, before and after school club, payments for trips or lunches or to report absences.

Have a great weekend—well done to all for a successful first week back!

Mrs F. Pether

Staff Training

This week our staff having been reading the annual safeguarding updates to ensure they are aware with safeguarding procedures. They have also been reading the newly updated staff handbook ready for the new academic year!

**Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility**



Safeguarding

Tips for parents on returning to school

Every child faces challenges when starting or heading back to school. Back to school can be exceptionally difficult for some children.

The school environment demands many things that Summer activities don't – the ability to sit, get organised, stay on task and adapt to a new structured, daily routine.

Children with or without special needs require a lot of help learning how to manage a new schedule. As a parent, you can ease your child's anxiety by modelling confidence and calm behaviour, and by imposing structure in family life (mealtime, homework, and bedtime routines).

Setting time aside each day to talk to your child about challenges and new experiences at school, now is the perfect moment.

Anxious parents send anxious kids to school

Children are like sponges, absorbing the energy and adopting the behaviour around them. One of the most helpful things you can do as a parent/carer is model calm, confident behaviour, particularly when helping a child get ready for school. A child starts school no calmer than their least relaxed parent/carer.

Teachers matter, maybe even more than you think

Teachers get to know a child's family through the child's eyes, and they get to know how a child behaves without his/her parent /carer present.

Young children with learning difficulties, as well as those without any documented problems, can benefit from their parents' involvement during homework time. Parents should **set aside time for a structured "homework session" each evening**.

For any transition, whether starting school for the first time or moving from one school year to another, good communication and understanding the needs of everyone involved is very important.

School staff are here to support both children and their families. If you are experiencing any difficulties it's important we know about it.

School Money Debts

Polite reminder to get ahead with paying any school fees on the School Money system. You can log on at any time and pay any fees in advance; we are aiming to have no debts from September onwards. You can access this online at: <https://login.eduspot.co.uk/public/portal/parent/?app=schoolmoney&source=website&version=20190314>

From September we will be a cashless school so please pay all trips and school fees on the School Money system.





Year 6 Residential to Robinwood

From the first day back, year 6 went on a residential to Robinwood in Todmorden for 2 nights and 3 days. Pupils enjoyed many activities such as:

What a fantastic way to start the year!

Giant Swing



Dungeon



Crate Challenge



Piranha Pool



Zip Line



Archery



Nightline



Caving



Climbing





Canoeing and water raft building







Trapeze



Dinner Menus September 2022

 School Meals Menu - Week 1 					
1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Meal Option	Chicken Nuggets 4, 5	Homemade Keema Curry	Fishcakes (2, 5) Parsley Sauce (5, 10)	Battered Chicken Steaks 1, 3, 4, 5, 10	Assorted Pizzas (Cheese and Tomato, Vegetable, Spicy Beef) 5, 8, 10
	Quorn Big Mac and Cheese 4, 5, 10, 12	Samosas (5) Homemade Onion Bhaji's (5, 10, 12) Savoury Rice	Homemade Macaroni Cheese (5, 10) Garlic Bread (4, 5, 10)	Homemade Cheese and Onion Quiche 5, 10, 12	Homemade Kidney Bean Curry Naan Bread (5)
Vegetables	Fries Beans Veg Sticks	Wedges (8) Broccoli Carrots	Potato Cubes (5) Peas Sweetcorn	Curly Fries (5) Spaghetti Carrots	Ziggy Fries Beans
Served Daily	Jacket Potatoes with various fillings (Homemade Chicken Tikka, Bolognese and Chilli, Tuna, Cheese, Beans) Salad Bar Sandwiches/Subs/Wraps Allergies for the daily items available on request				
Dessert	Pancakes and Syrup 5, 10, 12	Marble Sponge (5, 10, 12) Custard (8, 10)	Iced Cake 5, 10, 12	Choc-Chip Sponge 5, 10, 12 Chocolate Custard 5, 10	Assorted Fresh Baking 5, 10, 12
	Chocolate Ice Cream 10	Assorted Biscuits 5, 10, 12	Cornflake Buns 5, 10	Jelly	Vanilla Ice Cream 10

 School Meals Menu - Week 2 					
2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Meal Option	Southern Fried Chicken Strips (1, 5) Fresh Coleslaw (5)	Homemade Spagetti Bolognese 5, 10	Battered Fish 2, 5	Homemade Chicken Curry (3, 8) Naan Bread (5)	Assorted Pizzas (Cheese and Tomato, Vegetable, Spicy Beef) 5, 8, 10
	Quorn Dippers 5	Mac 'n' Cheese Croquettes 5, 10	Homemade Cheese and Onion Pie 5, 10, 12	Samosas (5) Homemade Onion Bhaji's (5, 10, 12) Savoury Rice	Homemade Cheese and Broccoli Pasta 5, 10, 12
Vegetables	Skin-on Fries Beans Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes Mixed Veg Peas	Chips Mushy Peas Sweetcorn	Wedges (8) Broccoli Peas	Ziggy Fries Beans
Served Daily	Jacket Potatoes with various fillings (Homemade Chicken Tikka, Bolognese and Chilli, Tuna, Cheese, Beans) Salad Bar Selection of Sandwiches/Subs/Wraps Allergies for the daily items available on request				
Dessert	Chocolate Doughnuts 4, 5, 10, 12, 14	Chocolate Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 5, 10	Cupcakes 5, 10, 12	Bakewell Tart (5, 10, 12) Custard (8, 10)	Assorted Fresh Baking 5, 10, 12
	Cornflake Buns 2, 5	Strawberry Swirls 10	Assorted Biscuits 5, 10, 12	Jelly	Chocolate Ice Cream 10

 School Meals Menu - Week 3 					
3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Meal Option	Fish Fingers 2, 5	Roast Chicken Dinner with Yorkshire Puddings (5, 10, 12) Gravy	Homemade Spicy Kebabs	Homemade Chicken Tikka Paninis (5, 12) Chicken Goujons (1, 3, 5, 8, 10)	Assorted Pizzas (Cheese and Tomato, Vegetable, Spicy Beef) 5, 8, 10
	Cheesy Omelettes 10, 12	Quorn Bangers (5) Homemade Mash (10)	Vege Nuggets 5	Homemade Vegetarian Meatball Curry 8	Homemade Vegetable Pasta 5, 10
Vegetables	Potato Cubes 5 Beans Sweetcorn	Roasties Broccoli Mixed Veg	Criss-Cuts (5) Peas Carrots	Chips Spaghetti (5, 8) Sweetcorn	Ziggy Fries Beans
Served Daily	Jacket Potatoes with various fillings (Chicken Tikka, Bolognese, Chilli, Tuna, Cheese, Beans) Salad Bar Selection of Sandwiches/Subs/Wraps Allergies for the daily items available on request				
Dessert	Strawberry Swirls 10	Ginger Sponge (5, 10, 12) Custard (8, 10)	Cupcakes 5, 10, 12	Chocolate Sponge 5, 10, 12 Chocolate Custard 5, 10	Assorted Fresh Baking 5, 10, 12
	Parkin 5, 12	Crispy Buns 10	Assorted Biscuits 5, 10, 12	Jelly	Vanilla Ice Cream 10



Employability Open Day

Monday 12th September 2022

10.00am to 1.00pm

Illingworth Children's Centre

We are working in conjunction with Calderdale College to bring accredited courses into the community. The courses can be accessed by individuals who are unemployed and aged over 18.

The Employability Course will help you gain a recognised qualification and vital employability skills needed to secure a role in industries and professions.

The Employability Open Day will give you more information on the course content, a chance to talk to College Staff and sign up.

Progression Courses can be undertaken in Health & Care Level 1 & 2.



Our Courses

- Employability - 16 sessions (8/16 weeks) (employability, childcare and sewing and textile strand)
- Progress on to Level 1 Health & Care - 13 to 16 sessions
- Progress on to Level 2 diploma in health and care - 18-20 sessions

Gain Qualifications

Helping you get
onto the career
ladder

Refreshments Provided

Bookings Now Open!

To book a place please complete our online application by scanning the QR Code or visit our website
www.surestartchildrenscentrenhp.org.uk





Dean Field
Community Primary School

DEAN FIELD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Term Dates 2022/2023

2022 Autumn Term	Re-open	Monday 5 September	65 school days
Half Term/Training Week	Close	Friday 14 October	
	Re-open	Monday 31 October	
Christmas Holiday	Close	Friday 16 December	
2023 Spring Term	Re-open	Tuesday 3 January	61 school days
Half Term	Close	Friday 10 February	
	Re-open	Monday 20 February	
Easter Holiday	Close	Tuesday 4 th April	
2023 Summer Term	Re-open	Monday 17 April	64 school days
May day	Closed	Monday 1 May	
Half Term	Close	Friday 26 May	
	Re-open	Monday 5 June	
Mid-Summer	Close	Friday 21 st July	
			Total 190 days

Training Days

Monday 17 Oct 2022
To
Friday 21 Oct 2022 - (disaggregated)

Please note the term dates for Easter 2023 and the end of term date for July 2023.

Please update the office before the end of next week if you have changed your phone number or any other details. You can call the office on 01422 258258. Thank you.



DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Monday 19th September	Year 2 local area walk
Monday 19th September	Smartmove Harvest Assembly
Wednesday 21st September	Year 3 Sports Competition with Beech Hill

Reminder: We are a nut free school and we would appreciate that any lunchboxes do not include nut products to protect the children in school with nut allergies.



Accelerated Reader – Reading Achievements this Year



Poland	80%
Brazil	88.6%
Kenya	82%
Australia	96%
Ireland	95%

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!

This Weeks Attendance

Group	% Attendance
Mexico	94.6%
China	95.3%
Australia	96.9%
Poland	96.7%
Kenya	94.5%
Brazil	98.3%
Ireland	91%
Total	95.5%

Congratulations to Brazil class who had the highest attendance in the school this week. Well done to Australia class for coming second. I am seriously concerned of classes who are below 96%. Meetings with parents of children who are of concern will occur.

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

China Year 1	Conner C	For showing enthusiasm and interest in your learning and always contributing in lessons.
	Maddison G	For good listening and good sitting on the carpet every day.
Australia Year 2	Phoebe C	For fantastic work ethic and behaviour.
	Amelia-Violet O	For being so brave and completing your work with an injury.
Poland Year 3	Kayson-Lee T	For being an excellent and enthusiastic reader.
	Amelia H	For being an outstanding role model.
Kenya Year 4	Abigail C	For being a fantastic role model.
	Alex H	For your outstanding holiday homework.
Brazil Year 5	Lacey N	For an outstanding start to Reading Plus.
	Ashton J	For demonstrating exemplary behaviour.
Ireland Year 6	Jessica C	For enthusiasm during our activities in class and following all my 'instructions.' (Miss Baker)
	Lilly-Rose W	For being fabulous at residential, trying all the activities and being an absolute superstar.