

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a fantastic first week back. The children have really impressed me with how well they have settled back and they are all looking and behaving so smart!

Smartest Class of the Week

This week I have been impressed by Australia Class (year 2). They have moved through school so smartly and when working at the horseshoe tables outside their classroom with an adult they are always so well engaged and on task!



Writing Deep Dive

This week we were visited by Michelle Joyce who is our Local Authority School Improvement Partner to carry out a writing review/deep dive to check on the quality of education in writing at Dean Field School.

Michelle was very impressed with pupils' attitudes to learning in the lessons that she visited and commented on how engaged and on task they all were.

The morning consisted of a meeting with our writing lead Miss Hussain and myself, visits to English lessons, talking with a selection of pupils about writing and looking through a sample of books from each year group.

The morning was very productive and we received some wonderful feedback about our ambitious writing curriculum.

A big well done to all involved!

Have a great weekend.

Mrs F Pether

Safeguarding

Back to School Routine

Create structure about going back with a school routine. Be guided by your knowledge and history of what best supports your child during times of change and transition.

Set up a practical chart of getting ready. You could include:

- what needs to be done each day for school like getting up, eating breakfast, dressing.
- what help does your child need from you to get ready?
- what they can do on their own? (Establish these together).

Talk about going back to school

Most children deal with some level of stress or anxiety about school. They have insight into their school experiences, so find out what worries them by asking directly.

You can offer support by normalising experiences of worry and nerves. Reassure your child the feelings they have are common and they will likely overcome them once they have settled in. Worries and courage can exist together.

Help create a sense of school belonging

A sense of belonging at school can affect academic success and student well-being. Parents can facilitate positive attitudes about school by setting an encouraging tone when talking about it.

Also show an interest in school life and work, and be available to support your child both academically and socially.



School Uniform Reminder

Polite reminder to follow the school uniform policy below:

- A **royal** blue jumper or cardigan (this can be with or without the school's logo on it)
- A **pale** blue polo shirt or pale blue collared shirt (ties are available for key stage two pupils)
- **Grey** or **black** trousers/skirts/dresses
- **Grey** or **black** tights with skirts and dresses
- **Pale blue** gingham summer dresses for the girls in summer



Helping
parents
return
to work

Call in on Weds 26th April (9.30am – 2.30pm)
Bull Green House, Halifax HX1 2EB.

Thinking about
returning to work
and have questions?

Need help gaining
confidence and identifying
career goals or training?

We can provide:

- Careers and training advice
- Support gaining qualifications
- Advice with childcare and available funding
- Advice and support around the cost of living
- Access to specialist support for health and well-being.

Get in touch today for some free help and advice



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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about OFCOM'S 'CHILDREN AND PARENTS: MEDIA USE AND ATTITUDES' REPORT 2023

Each year, Ofcom – Britain's regulatory body for communications – produces an overview of children and parents' media experiences across the previous year. The latest version has just been released, and we've pulled out some of the report's most thought-provoking findings which relate to online safety ...





HEAD LICE ALERT

Please check your child's hair regularly to avoid Head Lice

To Check

Check the scalp for insects or eggs
Use a fine-tooth comb on wet hair then comb through the hair in sections looking for eggs or lice, repeat over a few days

To Treat

Wet the hair and scalp with conditioner or use a chemical shampoo/lotion (containing insecticide) – this will kill the lice and eggs. Using a fine metal comb, or special head lice comb you can get from a chemist, go through the hair in sections to comb the lice and eggs out

Tips

- Check and treat the hair every night
- Please tie up long hair for school
- If your child has head lice please check everyone in the family home
- Do not share hairbrushes, towels, hats/scarves etc

Always re-treat 7-10 days after the first treatment

Nursery Bun Sale

A massive thank you to everyone for supporting the Nursery fundraiser before the holidays, we raised a grand total of £51.62 which will go towards new resources to enhance our construction area which is really popular with the current Nursery children.



Thank you!

SLEEP TIGHT COURSE

Join us on our Sleep Tight Course,
for children with sleep issues aged **12 months+**

Our workshops include:

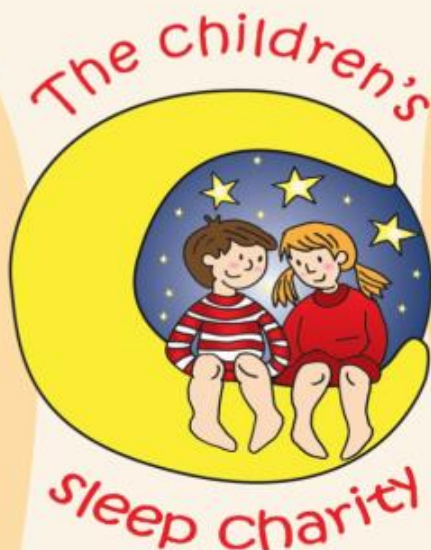
- Understanding sleep cycles
- Common sleep issues and strategies
- Establishing appropriate routines
- Sleep diaries

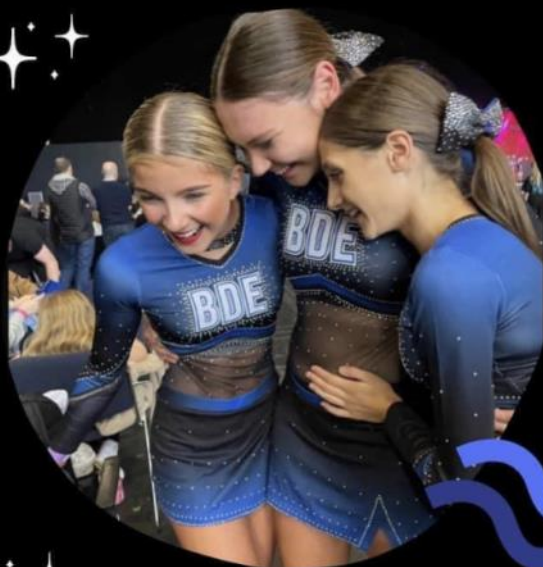
Next courses online Microsoft Teams:

Friday 5th May
Friday 12th May
Friday 19th May

All taking place 1-2.30pm

**To book or for more information please contact
Nicola Cooke or Lisa Ward on
01422 251090
or email Nicola.cooke@nhpltd.org.uk
or Lisa.ward@nhpltd.org.uk**





CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS BLUE DYNAMITE ELITE

5TH JUNE 2023
5:30PM - 8:00PM

Competitive and
recreational
cheerleading team based
in Halifax! All athletes
who attend tryouts will
be placed on a team!



RECRUITING LEVEL 1 & 2
ATHLETES FOR:
MINI (5-8YRS)
YOUTH (9-11YRS)
JUNIOR (12-14YRS) &
SENIOR (15YRS +)



TO BOOK ON TO OUR TRYOUTS AND FOR MORE
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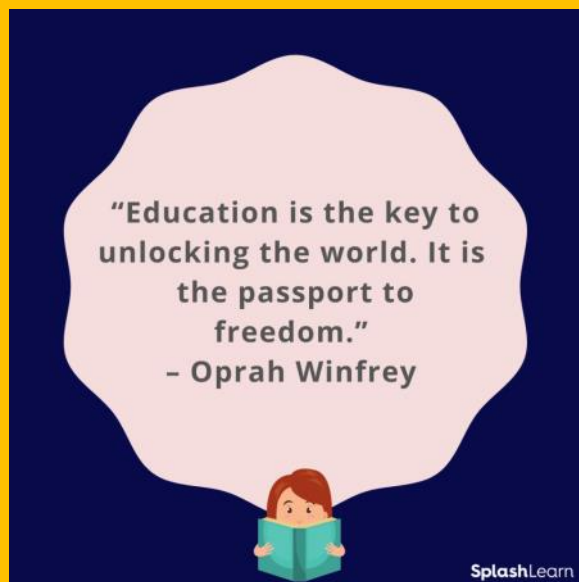


DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Tuesday 25th April	Reception Trip—Beech Hill Eid Party
Thursday 27th April	Y3 and Y4 Football Match after school at Beech Hill
Tuesday 2nd May	Author Sophie Edgar School Visit
Friday 6th May	King Coronation Celebration

REMINDER: All school fees, dinner money, extended provision and Nursery need to be paid in advance.
We do not offer any credit and there are no exceptions.
Please pay fees on time.

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 week



Brazil	85%
Poland	76.2%
Australia	85.1%
Ireland	40%
Kenya	79.9%

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!

TT Rockstars Weekly Winners

Year 2 – William H

Year 3 – Nico G

Year 4 – Jacob B

Year 5 – Ashton J

Year 6 – Jessica C

Class Winner - Poland



Group	% Attendance
Mexico	96.6%
China	94.8%
Australia	95.4%
Poland	91.9%
Kenya	94.9%
Brazil	97.4%
Ireland	93.1%
Total	94.8%

This Weeks Attendance

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

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Mexico Reception	Lucy W	For being super confident in your new Phonics group.
	Megan S	For fantastic independent sentences!
China Year 1	Noah G	For some great listening and fantastic maths.
	Dayton-Jay GH	For being super helpful all week.
Australia Year 2	Alex W	For your effort and enthusiasm with reading.
	Elliott R	For loud, confident singing in music!
Poland Year 3	Libby S	For always being friendly, kind and helpful.
	Jaida S	For your fantastic maths work.
Kenya Year 4	Lexi M	For being engaged in ALL lessons.
	Alfie B	For improved concentration in English.
Brazil Year 5	Elliot C	For excellent effort during science this week.
	Annalise H	For fantastic ideas when planning your story in English.
Ireland Year 6	Jessica C	For always doing the right thing and trying hard.
	Chelsie H	For trying hard in maths boosters and showing improvement.