

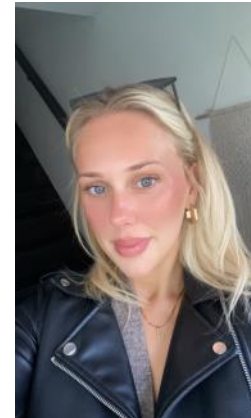
Dear parents/carers,

I am delighted to introduce you to three new members of staff here at Dean Field.

Firstly, Mrs Samantha Mullen, who started with us just before Christmas. Mrs Mullen is an Early Years Practitioner and will work across both Nursery and Reception. She joins us with a wealth of experience having previously worked at a local primary school for over 10 years.



Miss Lydia Farrell, who started with us on Monday and is our new Pastoral Learning Mentor. Miss Farrell grew up in Ovenden and has worked in a local primary school as a Teaching Assistant. Miss Farrell has a passion for supporting pupils pastorally and we are very much looking forward to her taking over from Miss Dinsmore. She has lots of exciting ideas which we are looking forward to seeing come to life this year!



Finally, Miss Leah Stansfield who has started working in our school office alongside Miss King and Mrs Stevenson. Miss Stansfield will take over from Mrs Stevenson when she goes on maternity leave at the end of January.



What a fantastic team of people we have, all going 'above and beyond' for the pupils of Dean Field.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs F Pether

# SAFEGUARDING



## 'Active Life' Holiday Activities Camp (Yorkshire Sport Foundation)

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2025  
Each day from 9am – 2pm

At Park Lane Academy, Halifax, HX3 9LG

### Who is it for?

This programme is for children currently in year 5-9 (age 10-15 years). **This is a free holiday activities camp at Park Lane Academy, Halifax.** Your child can attend as many sessions as they wish, whether one day or all 4 days! If you would like your child to attend please email [haf@parklane.spacademies.org](mailto:haf@parklane.spacademies.org) or sign up using the QR code.

### What activities will they do?

A fun filled week of sport, including nerf battles, football, NEW darts, NEW archery Tag, NEW indoor kurling, NEW pickleball, dodgeball, tchoukball, tag rugby, hockey, ultimate frisbee, table tennis, and many other activities. Other activities include Arts and crafts, science workshops, quizzes, bingo plenty of free time to make new friends, and will learn more about healthy eating.

### What clothing/footwear will be required?

Both indoor and outdoor clothing is required with suitable sports shoes for both sports hall and astro surface.

### Is lunch provided?

Yes, a healthy hot meal is provided every day, as well as snacks, desserts and water.

### What ability level?

All abilities are welcome although an interest in sport is recommended. There will also be lots of other fun activities available throughout the camp.



If you require any further information, please contact Daniel Gilpin

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# ONLINE SAFETY

## What Parents & Educators Need to Know about HEALTH & FITNESS APPS

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Physical wellbeing apps are useful tools for monitoring and improving our health. They allow us to balance nutrition, set goals, track our activities and sleep patterns, and motivate us to exercise. Nonetheless, there have been some reported drawbacks; this guide outlines some of these concerns and explains how to use fitness apps safely.

#### LACK OF PERSONALISATION

Many apps take a one-size-fits-all approach, failing to account for the varying ages and abilities of children: a 16-year-old, for example, will have different physical needs to a child of 10. This can create unrealistic expectations and set exercises which may be too advanced for younger children or too simple for older ones.

#### NOT DEVELOPED BY EXPERTS

Some fitness and wellbeing apps are developed by experts in the field – but a concerning number of them aren't. As such, these platforms may contain inaccurate information. They may present safety concerns by giving incorrect advice regarding physical activities or might include age-inappropriate content which would clearly cause more harm than good.

#### REDUCED INTERACTION WITH OTHERS

Physical wellbeing apps can remove the social and interactive elements which physical exercise can offer – for instance, meeting people at fitness classes, at the gym or during any other such activities. Research has found that young people generally dislike this aspect of fitness apps, suggesting that they would rather exercise in the company of friends or other like-minded individuals.

#### DATA AND PRIVACY CONCERNS

Fitness and wellbeing apps tend to collect a lot of personal information from their users, including name, location, date of birth, details of their physical health and more. It's worth keeping in mind that some of these apps may sell this data to third parties. We'd advise that any apps young people download should have the correct legislation in place to protect their safety and privacy while using the service.

#### ADDITIONAL COSTS

While many fitness apps are free to download, the initial content is quite basic. Users will only receive more helpful content (such as new workouts, nutrition advice or a personalised plan) by signing up to a subscription or paying for extra features. This can incentivise users to spend money on the service – a cost which can quickly mount up.

#### DEPENDENCY ON THE APP

While physical wellbeing apps can help motivate young users to manage their fitness, there's a possibility that – without being sent frequent rewards and reminders – children could start to lose their natural drive to be active. Young people may also become obsessed with tracking their exercise, health and eating habits: this can have negative effects on their mental and emotional wellbeing.

#### EXERCISE AND SOCIALISE

Highlight the importance of children enjoying fitness activities with family and friends, rather than always exercising alone. Emphasise the fun they can have by interacting with others rather than solely relying on an app to maintain their regime. Remind them of the importance of staying active, as well as the benefits of doing so with company.

#### PROMOTE POSITIVE BODY IMAGE

While we want children to be active and healthy, we must also ensure they don't become fixated on how they look and begin take things too far. During childhood and adolescence, the body is still growing and changing. It's vitally important for young people's wellbeing that we promote a positive body image and a healthy relationship with food, empowering them to make informed decisions about their diet and lifestyle.

#### REVIEW THE APP FIRST

Before allowing someone under 18 to install a fitness and wellbeing app, check its age rating, read its reviews and scroll through its data policy, to ensure its suitability for younger users. You could also try it yourself, to see if it's appropriate for the child's particular needs and decide if you're comfortable with them using it. Ensure that any privacy-compromising features – such as location tracking – are disabled.

#### USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

As with all apps, it's important for parents to familiarise themselves with any controls on the app and to use these on a child's account. The specific settings vary between platforms but – most commonly – these will relate to screen-time limits, disabling or capping in-app purchases, and managing social aspects or features which aren't age appropriate. By utilising these controls, you can help to ensure a child is getting a safe experience.

#### Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian Government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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Well done to all of our children for taking part in the trust competition this week!

Overall, we came in 3<sup>rd</sup> place but it was an extremely close competition.

**FAMILY OF LEARNING TRUST- SPRING 1**  
Family of Learning Trust

Completed ^

Info **School Results** Class Results Pupil Results Certificates

School Average Correct School Total Correct

Position (Out of 5 schools taking part) School Average Correct

1	Beech Hill School, Halifax	2,429
2	Bradshaw Primary School	2,352
3	Dean Field Primary School	2,143
4	Heptonstall JIN School	1,302
5	Shirley Manor Primary School, Bradford	1,121

Here are the top 3 highest scoring children in the school.



Out of 657 children across the trust, Jacob was 5<sup>th</sup>, Asmaria was 10<sup>th</sup> and Chad was 23<sup>rd</sup>!

Ware so proud!



Here are the top 3 classes across the school.  
Ireland, Brazil and Kenya.



Ireland actually came 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 31 classes in the whole competition!



Here are the top 3 children in each class.





A special mention to all of our children in years 1 and 2! It was your first time using Timetables Rock Stars this week and your enthusiasm has been fantastic!

Thank you again and keep Jamming!

## SEND Bowling Competition

Last week, 6 children attended the SEND bowling competition organised by Calderdale School Games.

The children enjoyed their afternoon and came 3<sup>rd</sup> place.





## Year 5 Yorkshire Water Trip

On Tuesday, year 5 went on a trip to Yorkshire Water treatment centre in Headingley. The children looked at how Yorkshire Water supported with the water cycle. They learnt about the different bacteria that is in the water and how it is filtered/cleaned to become drinking water.

The children looked around the treatment centre and saw the different sections of cleaning.







On Friday the 7<sup>th</sup> February we will be celebrating NSPCC Number Day.

It is a special one this year as it is in its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

We will be asking for children to come dressed up as anything maths or number related. It could be something as simple as a T-Shirt with a number on, a handmade T-Shirt or whatever you can think of related to maths or number.

We will also be asking for an optional donation of 50p to be brought in with the children and given to their class teacher in order to raise funds for the NSPCC.

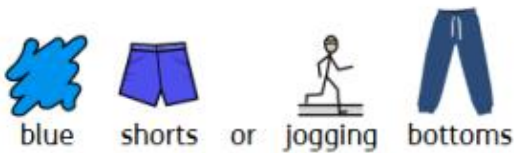
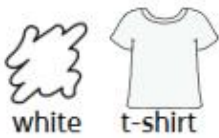
The children will be taking part in maths activities over the course of the morning on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025 and we will also be having a Maths themed Gold Book.

We look forward to seeing your costume!

## Dean Field PE kit



For every PE lesson, you should be wearing:



After school clubs and Friday clubs, you should be wearing any sporting attire such as:





## Whole School Values

As a school, our vision is 'Learning without Limits' and being guided by our school values.



This half term's focus value is ...

**Determination and Perseverance**



# Dean Field Nursery

**If you have applied for a September 2025 Reception place at Dean Field please speak to the office about our Nursery Provision. We have places available in Nursery that will improve your chances of a place in Reception. Please contact the school office on 01422 258258 to register.**

## What we offer



- ✦ Safe, secure & stimulating environment
- ✦ Fully equipped indoor and outdoor space
- ✦ Fun and sociable experiences
- ✦ Fully qualified, friendly and caring staff
- ✦ Up to date resources and equipment
- ✦ Nurturing transition to our school
- ✦ Hot meals available
- ✦ Free and daily fruit, milk and tooth brushing
- ✦ Whole school involvement to prepare for starting Reception with their class mates
- ✦ Trips and exciting opportunities including animal workshops



## When to apply

Apply when your child turns 2 years old. Children start nursery the term after they turn 3 years old.



## When will my child start Nursery?

- If your child turns 3 between 1 September and 31 December – **Term starting on or after 1 January**
- If your child turns 3 between 1 January and 31 March – **Term starting on or after 1 April**
- If your child turns 3 between 1 April and 31 August – **Term starting on or after 1 September**





## School Lottery

So far we have raised a huge £3000 through the School Lottery. If you would like to support our school and help us raise funds to provide extra resources for the children, improve the school environment and organise extracurricular activities such as music, art and sport please sign up and be in with a chance of winning the super draw or £1000 cash!

Cash prizes are guaranteed weekly for one player locally plus money for school. You can also win up to £25,000!

Follow the link to sign up— <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play>.



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**YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY**

Learning Without Limits  
**Dean Field**  
Community Primary School

The advertisement features a vibrant blue background with a pattern of small white dots. In the center, a yellow-bordered square contains the Aldi logo. To the right, a brown paper shopping bag is overflowing with fresh produce, including bananas, apples, oranges, tomatoes, broccoli, and a pineapple. In the bottom left corner, there are three logos: a stylized figure with arms raised, the text 'YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY', and the Dean Field Community Primary School logo which includes a hot air balloon and the tagline 'Learning Without Limits'.

## Week commencing Monday 27th January

		School Meals Menu - Week 1				
1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Hot Meal Option	Battered Chicken Steak 1, 3, 4, 5, 10	Homemade Chicken Pulao Rice 4	Cod & Parsley Fishcakes 2 Parsley Sauce 5, 10	Homemade Mexican Chicken Enchiladas 5, 10 Peri-Peri Shredded Chicken 4, 5	Pizza 5, 10	
	Cheese & Onion Rolls 3, 5, 10, 12	Homemade Vegan Meatball Curry 4 Rice	Homemade Vegan Spaghetti Bolognese 4, 5	Spicy Bean Burgers 5	Spinach & Ricotta Ravioli 3, 4, 5, 10, 12	
Vegetables	Potato Wedges Spaghetti 5	Ziggy Fries Broccoli Sweetcorn	Chips Peas Carrots	Potato Smiles Sweetcorn Cauliflower	Potato Cubes 5 Beans Mixed Veg	
Served Daily	Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Salad Bar Selection of Sandwiches <i>Allergies for the daily items available on request</i>					
Dessert	Jam Doughnuts 4, 5, 10, 12, 14	Treacle Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 10	Carrot Cake 5, 10, 12	Choc Chip Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 10	Assorted Fresh Baking 5, 10, 12	
	Assorted Biscuits 5, 10, 12	Angel Delight 10	Crispy Buns 5, 10	Jelly	Strawberry Ice Cream 10	



**17th Feb - 22nd Feb**

**FROM £24 PER DAY**

**8AM - 3:30PM FOR AGED 5+ YEARS**



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# HALF TERM FUN

17th February - 21st February 2025

Join #HealthyHolidaysCalderdale for a variety of activities during February Half Term!

HEALTHY HOLIDAYS CALDERDALE

Calderdale Council

ACTIVE CALDERDALE

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR CALDERDALE

## HALF TERM FUN

This is your chance to take part in **free, fun** activities during the half term holidays! Scan the QR code to find out what activities are available to book.

Find out what's on and book your place at...[www.calderdale.gov.uk/healthyholidays](http://www.calderdale.gov.uk/healthyholidays)

Whether it's abseiling or caving, drama or dance there is something for everyone.

Calderdale Council are providing free activities for young people eligible for free school meals aged 5-16.

Calderdale's Healthy Holidays Half Terms provides enriching activities, delicious nutritious meals, and a chance for young people to meet new friends in a safe & fun environment, during the school holidays.

Calling all 5-16s on Free School Meals - Book your place now!

## DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Tuesday 28th January	Young Voices Choir Trip
Wednesday 29th January	Reception Sea Life Centre Trip
Friday 7th February	Reception Pirate Party

**REMINDER:** All school fees, dinner money, extended provision and Nursery fees 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.



**REMINDER:** If your child has asthma please ensure they have an inhaler in school and you have filled out a medical form at the school office. Thank you.



SUCCESS IS NOT FINAL,  
FAILURE IS NOT FATAL:  
IT IS THE  
COURAGE TO CONTINUE  
THAT COUNTS.

Winston S. Churchill

## Evolve First Aid System

The new first aid system is now live so please check your junk email and update us if you change your email address.

Bumped head texts will no longer be sent as every incident will be emailed to parents and no paper slips will be sent home.

School will continue to ring parents if we feel further information needs passing on or in the event of further medical treatment needed.

Thank you for your cooperation.

The logo for 'EVOLVE accidentbook' features the word 'EVOLVE' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font, followed by 'accidentbook' in a pink, lowercase, sans-serif font with a slight shadow effect.

### This Weeks Attendance

Group	% Attendance
Mexico	96%
China	96.6%
Australia	98.3%
Poland	98.7%
Kenya	91.9%
Brazil	100%
Ireland	90.5%
Total	96.2%

Congratulations to Brazil class who had the highest attendance in the school this week. Well done to Poland 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	Isaac TM	For trying hard to listen well in social circle intervention all week.
	Tilly-Marie D	For joining in the whole class PE lesson last week.
China Year 1	Kristopher BH	For trying his best in PE despite it not being his favourite lesson.
	Tallulah JF	For showing a can do attitude towards learning and doing some fantastic independent work.
Australia Year 2	Cub M	For your fantastic work in maths.
	Kaira L	For being a times table superstar!
Poland Year 3	Chad H	For being a TTRS superstar!
	Eleanor H	For being a super sewing helper in DT week!
Kenya Year 4	Keeley C	For always being ready, always being respectful and always being ready to learn.
	Elena W	For excellent behaviour and fantastic ideas for the persuasive letter to Shackleton.
Brazil Year 5	Annaleise C	For persevering in maths.
	Nico G	For his fantastic attitude during DT week and art lessons.
Ireland Year 6	Levi N	For trying really hard in all activities at NHGS.
	Sarah A	For really improving in maths; tries her best and perseveres when she finds something difficult.