



DEARHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 21st APRIL 2023

What's been happening?

First week back and the sunshine would definitely suggest we are in the summer term.

It is lovely to have the children back in school and to see them settled and in routine.

Of course we sadly said goodbye to Mrs Rigby at the end of last term. Mrs Karen Whild is covering Year 2 until the end of the summer term. Mrs Whild is an experienced teacher whom I have worked with previously.

Of course the summer term is one of the most significant in the school year with assessments taking place for the majority of the children. Year 1 will complete the phonics check, Year 2 will undertake the SATs for Key Stage 1 which are national tests marked in school, Year 4 complete the multiplication check and of course Year 6 undertake the KS2 SATs which again are national test but they are sent away to be marked with results coming into school in mid July.

We make the testing process as stress free as we can for the children but these tests are important and it is vital that your child is in school for them.

We will send more information out as we receive it in school and nearer to the time.

Year 5 and 6 make up

Before the Easter holidays we noticed one or two of the children in Years 5 and 6 were wearing a bit of make-up to school and jewellery was also becoming more common.

Please can I remind you that children should not be wearing make-up or false nails and jewellery is limited to a watch and small stud earrings please.

Strike Action

The school is open to all children as normal on the strike days on 27th April and 2nd May

Banners and Signs

You may have noticed our new banners and signs which were put up around school on Monday.

They have been created by POD from designs made by reception and Phoebe in Year 6 and are based on our values and on our work in being environmentally friendly.

The girls who came up with the 'Be Kind' idea worked with myself and Stuart from POD on the location of the signs and banners and I think you will agree they did a marvellous job.

Scarecrows

We are taking part in the village scarecrow competition for the coronation. Keep an eye out for our efforts in the next couple of weeks.

Dearham Crack

I am delighted to have received the first Dearham Crack this week and for the school to have a little piece in there. We are keen to be a central part of the village and join in whatever we can. Have a look at everything that is going on below.



DEARHAM'S FIRST
Royal themed
SCARECROW
Competition

Join in to create royal themed scarecrows to fill the village with fun characters for the Coronation weekend. Best Scarecrow Wins!

HAVE YOUR SCARECROWS ON DISPLAY OUTSIDE YOUR PROPERTY FROM THURSDAY 4TH MAY WHEN JUDGES WILL BE AROUND TO SELECT THE WINNERS OVER THE BANK HOLIDAY!



A ROYAL TREASURE HUNT

King Charles III's treasures have been hidden around Dearham!

Find your treasure maps at the Post Office, Essex Garage & Cottage Pie from Thursday 4th May!



Kids FREE Coronation Craft Session

Saturday 29th April 1.00 - 2.30pm
Dearham Village Hall

Please book your child's place via email dearhamparishclerk@gmail.com, phone 0742 330 7459 or message our FB page. Limited spaces
Children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult



JOIN US FOR AFTERNOON TEA



RESIDENTS OF DEARHAM WHO ARE **70+**
ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE THE KING'S
CORONATION AT DEARHAM VILLAGE HALL
ON SUNDAY 7TH MAY 2.30 - 4.00 PM



DEARHAM PARISH COUNCIL **Bookings Open on 1st April**
RING OR TEXT 0773 459 2149 TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE

**BEST
DECORATED
HOUSE DRAW**

DECORATE YOUR WINDOW, FRONT DOOR
OR HOUSE IN A ROYAL OR RED WHITE &
BLUE THEME!
THE DRAW WILL TAKE PLACE ON
SUNDAY 7TH MAY.
THE WINNER WILL RECEIVE A PRIZE!

Attendance

Attendance figures for this week are:

	Week ending 21st
Nursery	94.44%
Reception	97.86%
Year 1	95.47%
Year 2	98.35%
Year 3	94.64%
Year 4	98.52%
Year 5	99.29%
Year 6 Mrs Smith	88.31%
Year 6 Mrs Ivison	97.66%

Whole school attendance this week is 96.4%.

Well done and thank you everyone.

Headteacher Awards for this week

<p>Nursery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Denver Wood✓ Ella Cant✓ Hannah Farmer✓ Robyn Weightman✓ Archie Shaw✓ Alfie Burns <p>Reception</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Grace Farmer <p>Year One</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ William Shaw✓ Polly Weir✓ Archer Hetherington✓ Wesley Todd <p>Year Two</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Rowan Branthwaite✓ Finn Holmes✓ Riley Lynch✓ Charlie Ross	<p>Year Three</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Jake Askew✓ Alexander Russell✓ Jessie Nixon-Ferguson <p>Year Four</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Gracie Lawson✓ Raife Morgan✓ Chloe McKenzie✓ Ruari O'Donnell <p>Year Five</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Keira Clague✓ Chloe Bell x 2✓ Alfie Kirkbride✓ Sophia Thompson <p>Year Six</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Abbie Brown✓ Amelia Gibson✓ Sam Young✓ Jay Corlett✓ Zachary Lowell✓ Gemma Bowe✓ Aidan Oultram✓ Elijah Woolley✓ Finlay Hall
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Courtesy Cups

This week courtesy cups went to:

Evie Christopherson-Tew

Community Cup

This week our community award goes to our very own Superhero in Year 1. In the Easter holidays Wesley Todd helped make sure his Nana was safe when she was taken unwell. Wesley did everything he should have done without any questions and we are incredibly proud of him.

Well done Wesley, we would like you to have the Dearham Primary School Community Cup this week.

Dates for your diary

Dates for this term so far. New dates highlighted

- Monday 1st May – school closed Bank Holiday Monday
- Wednesday 3rd May – Coronation assembly with Revd Mary Day
- Friday 5th May – Coronation Celebration Day
- Monday 8th May – School Closed Coronation Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May – KS2 SATS
- Tuesday 9th May – Wednesday 10th May – Y4 residential to Hawes End
- Friday 12th May – Y6 visit to Clip n Climb in the afternoon
- Tuesday 16th May – Class photos
- Wednesday 17th May – Y5&6 girls football at Brunton Park
- Thursday 18th May – Y5&6 boys football at Brunton Park
- Friday 19th May – Y5 Geography trip to Brockhole
- Monday 22nd – Friday 26th May – Y6 Cyclewise
- Tuesday 23rd May – SEN Swimming Gala
- Friday 26th May – school closes for half term
- Monday 5th June – school reopens
- Wednesday 7th to Friday 9th – Y5&6 Liverpool residential
- Wednesday 14th June – author visit for writing workshop
- Tuesday 20th June – KS2 Big Sing at the Carnegie
- Wednesday 21st June – Year 5 River trip. This is a change of date from April
- Thursday 6th July – KS2 Summer showcase at the Carnegie

I will add to this list as dates come into the diary so you can free up your calendars where possible.

