Danegrove Primary School

Newsletter





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Dear Parent/Carers.

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your families well and that you all had a good half term break. The new half term has started very positively and children are quickly back into the routine of school.

We are continuing to develop our new curriculum and as part of this year 6 have started a six week Shakespeare project on Macbeth. All three classes are having weekly drama workshops from West End in Schools — we can already see our budding thespians blossoming after just one workshop! I am really looking forward to seeing the end results.

Over this term we are going to introduce a house system across the whole school. Currently, on Sports Days, the children are put into groups and represent a team. We want to develop this and have houses across the school to further a team/community approach. The house names will be decided by the pupils and staff with all children being given the opportunity to vote for 2 house categories. The category (each group has six house names) with the most votes will be implemented as our new house system. The choices are: Scientists, Authors/Poets, Planets, Sports People, Local Area, Birds of Prey, Ancient Civilisations. We wait with anticipation as to what our new houses will be! Once decided, House Captains will be appointed from year 6 and by year 6 pupils. To further develop a community approach, we will be running Inter-house competitions throughout the year. Children will also be given house points for positive behaviour, effort, achievement and demonstrating our school values, with a treat for the winning house each term.

Our new Wellbeing rooms are predominantly finished, we are just awaiting a couple of pieces of equipment. They are designed to provide a safe, calm and relaxing space for all our children to access in school. We are very excited to be able to share them with you and the children in the next few weeks, so look out for invites to 'The Water Wonderland' (Ridgeway Avenue) and 'The Rainforest Retreat' (Windsor Drive). I would like to pass my thanks onto Mrs Gilbert for donating an abundance of artificial trees (from The White Company) for the Rainforest — they look amazing and have really helped use us to create a wonderful wellbeing environment on Windsor Drive.

A big thank you to the parents that volunteered to help at the Spooks and Sparkles discos, it really is appreciated, thank you for your continued support.

Miss Oliver.



At the start of this year, pupils decided that the role of year 6 monitors should be changed to year 6 prefects. The children who were interested in obtaining a prefect job were encouraged to write a letter to Miss Oliver and their peers, sharing their ideas and explaining why they would like the job as a prefect. The year 6 team selected pupils for the role based on their letter of application.

One of the first jobs was to show prospective parents around the school. We are incredibly proud of our new prefects and how they confidently spoke to the parents whilst giving them tours around the school.

Congratulations are offered to all the following pupils on attaining their prefect positions:

Paris, Tihanna, Lucy, Lena, Eleanor, Froiland, Ayla Ashlee, Lily, Sylvia, Eva, Alfie, Sara, Kerem, Avizin Alexia, Selma, Mia, Alfie, Brandon, Kuzey, Toby Alex, Lucy, Raeesa, Yasmin, Elliot, Francesca (Robert and Ariana were absent)







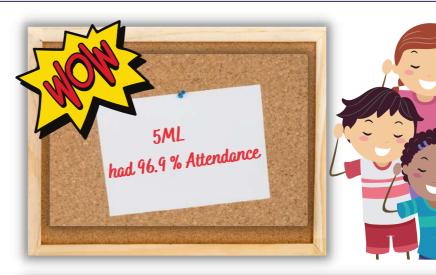




Attendance

Statistics

| Class | Percentage |
|----------|------------|
| Fox | 92.5% |
| Hedgehog | 94.0% |
| Squirrel | 94.2% |
| 1JS | 89.1% |
| 1KP | 91.6% |
| 1SG | 92.4% |
| 2EH | 93.6% |
| 2KS | 92.7% |
| 2LC | 93.6% |
| 3EB | 95.3% |
| 3JC | 93.2% |
| 3SC | 94.0% |
| 4AJ | 93.8% |
| 451 | 93.9% |
| 4TK | 96.2% |
| 5CB | 95.6% |
| 5ML | 96.9% |
| 5TS | 95.6% |
| 6]] | 96.8% |
| 6LR | 96.2% |
| 6RR | 92.6% |









Today we had 47 children absent from school, representing 7.6% of the total number of students. It is essential that children attend school every day including the last day of term.

Present!

Regular school attendance is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life. **The aim should be to attend 100% of the time.** Pupils who miss school frequently can fall behind with their work and find it difficult to catch up.

As well as this, going to school helps to develop:

- Friendships
- Social skills
- Team values
- Life skills
- · Cultural awareness

Reminder!

The school day on W/D starts at 8.50am – children may enter the classroom from 8.40am. On R/Ave the school day starts at 9am.

Any child that arrives between 9–9.15am on W/D and 9.10– 9.25am on R/Ave will receive a late mark (L). If your child arrives after these times they will marked as late after the register closes.

School Lunch Menu

Winter menu - there have been a few minor changes

| | | | 1-10-22,21-11-22,12-12-22,16-01 | | |
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| Week 1 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Meat/Fish | Pork sausage in bread | Pepperoni Pizza | Beef Moussaka | Roast Turkey | Fish Fingers and Chips |
| Halal Meat | Chicken sausage in bread | Cheese and Tomato Pizza | Halal Beef Moussaka | Halal Roast Turkey | Fish Fingers and Chips |
| Allergen Advice | Soya, Barley, Gluten | Milk, Gluten | Gluten,egg,milk | Gluten | Gluten, Milk, Mustard, Fish |
| Vegetarian | Vegetarian sausage in bread | Cheese and Tomato Pizza | Roast vegetables with tomatoes sauce and bread | Bulgur with tomatoes | Vegetarian Fingers and Chips |
| Allergen Advice | Soya, Barley, Gluten | Milk, Gluten | Egg, Milk, Gluten | Gluten | Gluten |
| Vegetables (Salad bar: Children help themselves) Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Gherkins, Beetroot, Coleslaw) | Green Beans and Seasoned Wedges | Sweetcorn | Carrots | Mixed Vegetables or Broccoli. And. Roast potatoes | Peas |
| Desserts (Selection of fruit and fruit flavoured yoghurt are available every day) | Strawberry Angel Delight | Oat Cookies | Iced Sprinkle cake | Red cherry Crumble and custard | Belgian Waffles with and Cream |
| Allergen Advice | Milk | Egg, Gluten, Soya | Gluten, Egg, Milk, Soya | Milk,eggs,Gluten,Soya | Celery,Gluten,Milk |
| On order every day | Pasta | Jacked Potato with Tuna ,Cheese and Baked Beans | Pasta | Jacked Potato with Tuna, Cheese and Baked Beans | Pasta |
| Allergen Advice | Milk, Egg, Mustard | Gluten, Milk, Egg, Mustard | Milk, Egg, Mustard | Gluten, Milk, Egg, Mustard | Gluten, Milk, Egg, Mustard |

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| Week 2 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Meat/Fish | Chicken steak in bun | Sausage Roll | Lamb Lasagne | Chicken Masala with naan bread | Breaded Fish |
| Halal Meat | Halal Chicken steak in bun | Vegetarian Sausage roll | Halal Lamb Lasagne | Halal Chicken Masala with naan bred | Breaded Fish |
| Allergen Advice | Gluten, Soya, Milk | Gluten | Gluten | Gluten | Gluten, Fish |
| Vegetarian | Vegetarian Burger | Vegetarian Sausage roll | Quorn or Vegetarian Lasagne | Vegetarian soup with bread | Cheese and Onion pastry |
| 000000000 | Seasoned Wedges | Crispy Cubes | | Rice | Chips |
| Allergen Advice | Mustard, Gluten | Sulphur dioxide, Gluten | Milk, Gluten, Egg | | Mustard, Soya, Gluten, Mili |
| Vegetables (Salad bar: Children help themselves) Lettuce, Fomatoes, Cucumbers, Gherkins, Beetroot, Coleslaw) | Sweetcorn | Carrots | Broccoli | Green Beans | Peas |
| Allergen Advice | | | | | |
| Desserts (Selection of fruit and fruit flavoured yoghurt are available every day) | Raspberry Angel Delight | American pancakes with sauce and cream | Carrot cake | Apple crumble and custard | Oat and Raisin cookies |
| Allergen Advice | Milk | Milk, Gluten, Egg | Milk,Gluten,Egg,Soya | Milk, Egg, Gluten,soya | Celery,Gluten,Milk |
| | Pasta | Jacket Potatoes with Tuna and Cheese | Pasta | Jacket Potatoes with Tuna , Cheese and Baked Beans | Pasta |
| Allergen Advice | Gluten, Milk, Egg, Mustard | Milk, Egg, Mustard | Gluten, Milk, Egg, Mustard | Milk, Egg, Mustard | Gluten, Milk, Egg, Mustard |

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| Week 3 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Meat/Fish | Battered Chicken Bites | Chicken Korma | Pasta Bolognese | Roast Beef | Battered Fish |
| Halal | Halal Battered Chicken bites | Halal Chicken Korma | Halal Pasta Bolognese | Halal Roast Beef | Buttered Fish |
| Allergen Advice | Gluten, Celery | Milk | Gluten, Egg, Milk, Sulphur dioxide | Celery, Milk, Mustard, Soya, Gluten | Gluten, Fish, Mustard, Milk, Soya |
| Vegetarian | Quorn Dippers | Quorn Korma | Quorn Bolognese | Cheese and onion lattices fingers | Creamy Vegetable Lattices |
| | Seasoned Wedges | Rice | | Roast Potatoes | Chips |
| Allergen Advice | Gluten, Egg, Milk, Sulphur dioxide | Milk | Gluten, Egg, Milk, Sulphur dioxide | Celery, Milk, Mustard, Soya, Gluten | Gluten, Fish, Mustard, Milk, Soya |
| Vegetables (Salad bar: Children help themselves) Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Gherkins, Beetroot, Coleslaw) | Sweetcorn | Broccoli | Carrots | Mixed Vegetables | Peas |
| Desserts (Selection of fruit and fruit flavoured yoghurt are available every day) | Banana Angel Delight | Flap Jack | Banana cake | Black Cherry Crumble and custard | White chocolate cookies |
| Allergen Advice | Milk | Egg, Milk, Gluten, Soya | Gluten,Egg,Milk,Soya | Milk, Gluten, eggs, soya | Gluten,Milk,Soya |
| On order every day | Pasta | Jacket Potatoes with Tuna ,Cheese and Baked Beans | Pasta | Jacket Potatoes with Tuna, Cheese and Baked Beans | Pasta |
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| Tuesday | 8th November 2022 | Parents Evening |
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| Wednesday | 9th November 2022 | Parents Evening |
| Monday | 14th November 2022 | Cake Sale |
| Friday | 18th November 2022 | Parents Quiz night |
| Wednesday | 30th November 2022 | Pantomime – Beauty and the Beast |
| Monday | 5th December 2022 | Danegrove - Open Day for prospective parents 1:30pm - Ridgeway Avenue |
| Tuesday | 6th December 2022 | Christmas Performance – Year 2 10:00am – Ridgeway Avenue |
| Tuesday | 6th December 2022 | Christmas Performance - Foundation stage 2pm - Ridgeway Avenue |
| Wednesday | 7th December 2022 | Christmas Performance - Foundation stage 9:30am - Ridgeway Avenue |
| Wednesday | 7th December 2022 | Christmas Performance – Year 1 2:00pm – Ridgeway Avenue |
| Thursday | 8th December 2022 | Christmas Performance – Year 1 9:30am – Ridgeway Avenue |
| Thursday | 8th December 2022 | Christmas Performance – Year 2 2:00pm – Ridgeway Avenue |
| Thursday | 8th December 2022 | Christmas Jumper Day – in support of Save the Children |
| Monday | 12th December 2022 | Christmas Extravaganza – time to be confirmed |
| Tuesday | 13th December 2022 | Christmas Lunch |

Autumn Term 2022 - Share-a-Story Sessions

| Wednesday 2st November 2022, 9 - 9.30am | Fox | Wednesday 23rd November 2022, 9 - 9.30am | Fox |
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| Thursday 3 nd November 2022, 9 – 9.30am | 1SG | Thursday 24th November 2022, 9 - 9.30am | 1SG |
| Wednesday 9th November 2022, 9 - 9.30am | Squirrel | Wednesday 30 nd November 2022, 9 – 9.30am | Squirrel |
| Thursday 10th November 2022, 9 - 9.30am | 1JS | Thursday 1st December 2022, 9 – 9.30am | 1JS |
| Wednesday 16th November 2022, 9 - 9.30am | Hedgehog | Wednesday 7th December 2022, 9 - 9.30am | Hedgehog |
| Thursday 17th November 2022, 9 - 9.30am | 1KP | Thursday 8th December 2022, 9 - 9.30am | 1KP |

| Tuesday 1st November 2022, 9 - 9.30am | 3SC | Tuesday 22 nd November, 2:50 – 3:20 pm | 4TK |
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| Tuesday 8th November 2022, 9 - 9.30am | 3JC | Tuesday 29th November, 2:50 - 3:20 pm | 4SI |
| Tuesday 15th November 2022, 9 - 9:30am | 3EB | Tuesday 6th December, 2:50 - 3:20 pm | 4AJ |
| Tuesday 1st November 2022, 2:50 - 3:20 pm | 2EH | Tuesday 22nd November, 9 – 9.30am | 5ML |
| Tuesday 8th November 2022, 2:50 - 3:20 pm | 2LC | Tuesday 29th November, 9 – 9.30am | 5CB |
| Tuesday 15th November 2022, 2:50 - 3:20 pm | 2KS | Tuesday 6th December, 9 - 9.30am | 5TS |

PTA Parents Teacher Associations Meetings 2022

 $\begin{array}{l} 8^{th}\,November\,2022-5pm\\ Tuesday\,\,10^{th}\,January\,\,2023-5pm\\ Thursday\,\,9^{th}\,February\,\,2023-5\,pm \end{array}$







Achievements

Danegrove Readers





| Name | Date | 25 books read | 50 books Read |
|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Myra 4TK | 3/10 th /2022 | | X |
| Samuel Cooper | 3/10 th /2022 | | x |
| Abigail 4AJ | 17/10/2022 | × | |
| Selen Win | 17/10/2022 | × | |

Maths

Once a fortnight, we have a maths assembly to celebrate achievements in maths across the Junior classes from year 3 to year 6. On Monday, our first day back after half term, these children received certificates in recognition of the great work.

Well done everyone!



Cross Country

Before the half term break, twelve children across year 4, 5 & 6 participated in the first meet of the annual Barnet Cross Country competition.

All our children did tremendously well, in particular Harrison (5TS), who finished first in the year 5 boys race. Well done to everybody who took part.

Football Update

Both our boys and girls teams played their first football matches as year 6's, playing a number of friendlies and cup matches.

Congratulations to the boys team who progressed into the next round of the Dick Bailey Cup with an enthralling 3–2 victory against Moss Hall.

The girls team are excited about their forthcoming league and cup games which are happening over the next couple of weeks.

Well done to everyone who played in these matches.





Danegrove Fundraising



Thank you for your generosity!

Thank you to all our families for your generous donations for MacMillen Coffee Morning. We raised over £400!

As usual you have done Danegrove proud!

The School Council have been meeting recently to discuss which charities they would like to support this year. Having discussed it with their classes, asked for their choices, and then reported back their findings, we tallied up this information and the following three charities were chosen:

Cancer Research
Save the Children
A charity supporting guide dogs

The School Council will organise and promote these choices and this will be spread across the year with one charity being supported each term. We will report back when the first charity event is arranged to let you know how the School Council has decided to support it.

Mr Davis and Mr Huseyin



Poppies and other items available all week. They can be purchased from their classes (children will come around selling the items). Prices from 0.20p to £1.





Cake Sale

Please note that we will be having a cake sale w/c 14th November 2022. The sale will take place in the playground at the end of the day. Donations of cakes will be kindly appreciated.

Community News



We are delighted to share with you a special offer for Talos from the Shed (ages 0.6 years) and Planet Play (ages 0.3 years), showing at Canada Villa (NW7) and Finchley YouthTheatre (N2).

These are vibrant, interactive theatre shows that are perfect for young children. They are informal, fively and amazingly engaging as the performers and audience share the same space - children are always encouraged to make a lot of noise and to help make the story happen. We guarantee that every show will be fun, really stilly and that there will be plenty of colourful puppets and live songs.

The performances will be held at Canada Villa NW7 on 4 Nov, 18 Nov, 2 Dec and Finchley Youth Thaetre N2 on 11 Nov, 25 Nov, 9 Dec. Show times are 10am for Planet Play and 11.30am for Tales from the Shed, on all the above dates.

Special Offer For Schools
Tales from the Shed - adults & children £4.50
Planet Play - adults £6, FREE for children

To book please call Chickenshed Box Office on 020 8292 9222 or email bookings@chickenshed.org.uk.

If you could also share this with your parents we would be most grateful.

We hope to see you there!





Road Safety



Thank you to all parents and carers who have been parking considerately and supported the school so far.

According to Highway Code Rule 243, you should not park near a school entrance — as well as anywhere that would prevent access for emergency services, at or near a bus stop, opposite or within 10 metres of a junction, over a dropped kerb, and in front of an entrance to a property.





















- Zig Zags and School Entrances
- Dropped Kerbs
- Resident's Driveways
- Opposite or within 10 metres of a junction- so that children can see cars and cars can see children

How Can You Help?

- Keep your speed down
- Turn your engine off if leaving your vehicle
- Leave the middle of the road free, with enough room for other road users to easily pass through
- Make sure your child leaves and enters your vehicle safely onto the pavement – children should not exit roadside
- Check for pedestrians and cyclists before opening a car door
- Leave enough room on pavements for pedestrians to get past
- Take care when reversing















