

Newsletter

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Dear Parent/Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your families well. The children have started the summer term as positively as they ended the spring term, showing an enthusiasm for learning and a keen interest in this term's topics.

As part of our coronation celebrations children have been learning about all aspects of the King's Coronation, they showed their understanding through a variety of writing genres and art. Writing will be selected from all year groups to become part of a celebration book that will be published later in the term. The Coronation week culminated in the Coronation picnic, where children paraded in their Coronation cloaks (some amazing creations!) and crowns and enjoyed music and games provided by our resident DJs. It was wonderful to see a school full of kings, queens, princes and princesses amidst the red, white and blue, as the children celebrated this historic event.

Danegrove continues to do well in the many sporting competitions that we take part in. Following the individual success in the cross country last term, we received the final team results, with the Danegrove Cross country team achieving third place in the borough – a great result! Well done to all the children that took part. For the second year running, a team represented the school in the Barnet Panathlon Challenge, with the children selected really giving their all across a variety of disciplines. Their amazing efforts resulted in them achieving 1st place. An outstanding result! Well done to the whole Panathlon team, we are so very proud of you! Finally, earlier this week the girls' football team played in the final of the East Barnet Cup. They were, once again, outstanding, winning the game 4-1! Winning the cup gave them the double and for the second year running Danegrove Girl's football team are both league and cup winners! Alongside their obvious talent, the team have shown great resilience, determination and a wonderful team approach – you have been amazing this year girls and I am so proud of you – Well done!

Thanks to the Friends of Danegrove the summer fair is back! Please keep Saturday 10th June free and join us for a day of fun and entertainment. Your support at events such as this really make a difference to the school. I hope you enjoy the upcoming half term and spend quality time with family and friends.

*Thank you for your continued support,
Miss Oliver.*

Summer



King Charles III Coronation

Statistics

Class	Percentage
Fox	94.5%
Hedgehog	96.2%
Squirrel	94.3%
1JS	95.0%
1KP	97.6%
1SG	98.3%
2EH	94.5%
2KS	99.3%
2LC	94.0%
3EB	97.0%
3JC	89.5%
3SC	90.6%
4AJ	98.0%
4SI	94.7%
4TK	93.2%
5CB	92.4%
5ML	95.3%
5TS	92.8%
6JJ	96.1%
6LR	96.1%
6RR	96.7%



Did you know that the Government's
Attendance Target is 96%?
Our current Attendance is 92.4%
Let's try to reach 96%!



Today, we had 52 pupils absent.
Attendance is becoming a major concern.

Present!

To avoid disrupting your child's education, you should arrange (as far as possible), appointments and outings:

- after school hours
- at weekends
- during school holidays

By law, all children of school age (aged four to sixteen) must receive a suitable full-time education.

Once your child is registered at a school, you are legally responsible for making sure they go regularly attend.

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 be marked as late after the register closes.



Danegrove Achievers



Name	Date	25 books read	50 books read
Maximo 3EB	20/3/2023	x	
Tom Peskett 5TS	20/3/2023	x	
Isabella Christopher 3SC	20/3/2023		x
Arvan Chumun 4TK	20/3/2023		x
Emily 4TK	20/3/2023		x
Arya 3JC	20/3/2023		x

This month in the Maths assemblies we have been celebrating the mathematicians of the week and playing 'Stick or Dare' as our Maths game of the month. In the assemblies there have been class teams playing against each other. Each team has been composed of the class teacher and two children. In the first assembly, 3SC took on 5TS and this was followed by 3JC taking on 3EB. It was a lot of fun! If you fancy playing at home try out the Maths video on the Maths page of the Danegrove website. There is a video showing you how to play. Good luck!

Mr Davis



Danegrove Activities

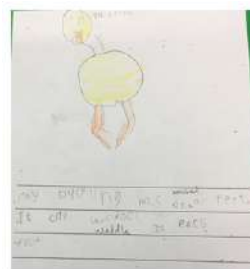
Foundation

Foundation were very excited when some eggs arrived. They discussed what might be in the eggs and learnt about animals that lay eggs and what an incubator does. The children then used salt dough to make the animals they thought were in the eggs.

It was very exciting when the eggs hatched and we had ducklings! The children held the ducklings and made observations about what they looked like and how they felt. They wrote about the ducklings and made nests for some eggs. We were all very sorry to see them go.



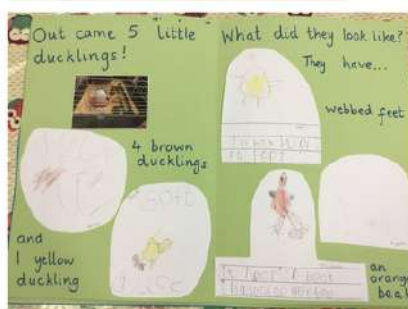
Holding a duckling.



Writing about the ducklings.



Making salt dough animals.



Using natural objects to make nests for some eggs.

Chickenshed Social Action Project for children with SEND

We have been incredibly fortunate to have Chickenshed in Danegrove to run activities with some of the children, to gather and present their ideas about how they would like the world to change for the better.

This is part of a Children in Need funded project, that aims to help children and young people to build their confidence and skills, empowering them to take an active and leading role in developing solutions to issues which affect their lives and their communities.

The project involved speaking to the children about their ideas for making their communities better, and providing them with ways that they can share these ideas with other people.

The project will run from April 2023–February 2024. The children taking part have had so much fun at their first session, and came away beaming! Thank you to Chickenshed for involving our amazing children in the project.



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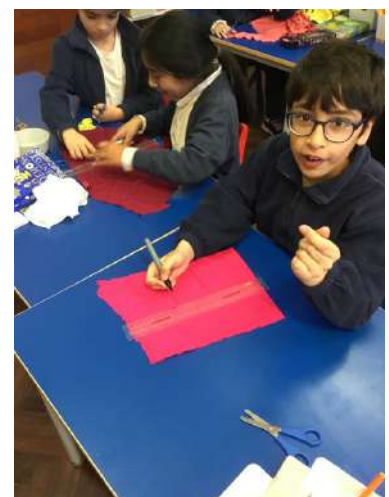
Year 2 – Drama

In year 2 we have been using drama to help us explore our geography topic, What will the weather be like today? The children imagined that one of them was an alien and the others explained the different seasons in different continents around the world to them. They really enjoyed being creative and exploring different parts of the world.



Year 3

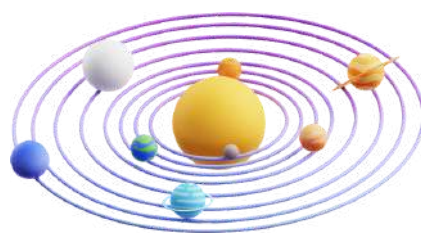
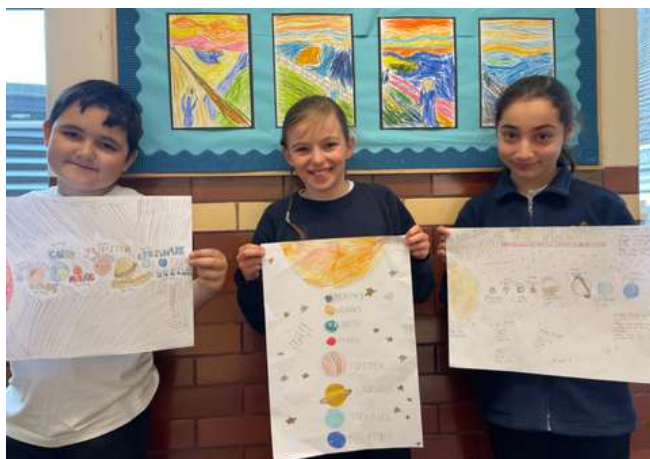
This term in Year 3, the children have been making arrow holders out of textile materials. We used sewing to make our arrow holders with a range of different materials.



Danegrove Activities

Year 5 – Earth and Space

Year 5 have started their new Science topic titled 'Earth and Space'. They had great fun re-enacting the planets' orbit around the sun before making these wonderful posters to help them remember the order of the planets in our solar system. They also researched some mind-blowing facts. Did you know that there are more stars in the sky than grains of sand on every beach on Earth! Crazy right?



Year 6 – Trip to the Science Museum

At the end of the Spring term the year 6s went to the Science Museum. During our workshop on "It Take Guts" we learnt about the digestive process and were exposed to the inner workings of the human body (literally!). The afternoon was spent in The Wonderlab where children were able to experience lots of different experiments including giving electric shocks, magnetic liquid metal, slide, biting a rod and hearing music, air resistance (flying paper planes), crazy mirrors, smoke machine, raindrop manipulator, shadow theatre, bridge building. We all had a wonderful time.

SEND

This week a group of our SEND pupils attended Barnet Bar No 1. An inclusive event put on by Saracens. The children were fantastic and thoroughly enjoyed taking part in dance, golf, tag rugby, rowing machines, tennis, ten pin bowling and cricket! Saracens have an inclusive program which is free for children with SEND to attend where they can join a dance group, tag rugby or gymnastics. This also provides free rest-bite care for parents and carers. To enquire further please email: sapphirefinlayter-gaskell@saracens.net (please note the email address in the email sent out to parents was incorrect).



King Charles III Coronation

From the moment the children arrived at school, it was evident that excitement was in the air.

Our amazing pupils had transformed themselves into mini monarchs, adorning themselves with magnificent royal attire. The school was a sight to behold as it was teeming with tiny kings, queens, princes, and princesses, each showcasing their unique style and creativity.

The children's enthusiasm was contagious as they proudly displayed their self-designed robes and crowns. They had put their imaginations to work, using a variety of materials to create their regal garments. The school corridors sparkled with colours, glitter, and intricate patterns, truly reflecting the diversity and individuality of our pupils. Later during the day, we headed out to our school field, which had been transformed into a grand picnic area fit for royalty.

The children spent quality time together, sharing laughter, stories, and delicious food.



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Sports Update

Champions – Danegrove do the Double!

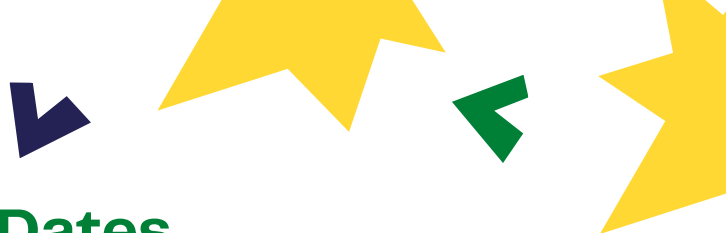
Congratulations to our girls' football team who are now officially league champions after their two nil victory against Holly Park. It has been an amazing season for the girls who have won all their league games, scoring an incredible 27 goals and only conceding two goals throughout the season. They then followed this by winning the final of the East Barnet Cup 4 – 1. An outstanding performance! Well done on achieving the double girls. Amazing!



Netball Update

Well done to our netball team who finished third in their league. Our talented squad have demonstrated their netball skills that they have learnt throughout the year in the netball club, with the highlight of the year being an amazing 8–1 win against St Andrew's. Well done to everybody who took part.

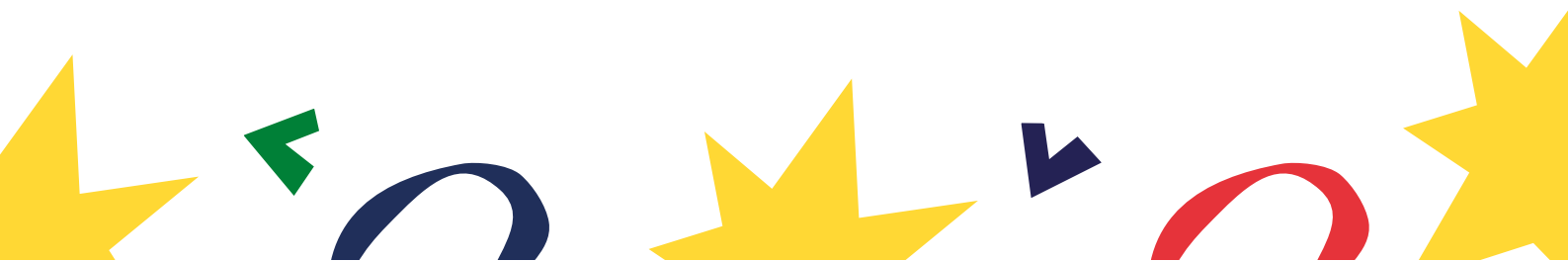




Summer Term 2 – Diary Dates

Day	Date	Event
Tuesday	6 th June 2023	Share a Story 9:00am 5CB Share a Story 2:40pm Hedgehog
Wednesday	7 th June 2023	Share a Story 2:40pm IJS
Tuesday	13 th June 2023	Share a Story 9:00am 5TS Share a Story 2:40pm Fox
Wednesday	14 th June 2023	Share a Story 2:40pm 1KP
Wednesday	14 th June 2023	Farm Visit 1 – SEND – Church Farm Ardley
Wednesday	14 th June 2023	Reception Intake September 2023 – 5:30pm Information Meeting
Thursday	15 th June 2023	Share a Story 9:10am 1SG
Thursday	15 th June 2023	Year 5 Performance 6:30pm
Thursday	15 th June 2023	3SC Assembly
Friday	16 th June 2023	Farm Visit 2 – SEND – Church Farm Ardley
Friday	16 th June 2023	Year 5 Performance 1:30pm
Friday	16 th June 2023	4TK Assembly
Tuesday	20 th June 2023	Share a Story 2:40pm Squirrel
Tuesday	20 th June 2023	Share a Story 2:50pm 2LC
Wednesday	21 st June 2023	Farm Visit 3 – SEND – Church Farm Ardley
Friday	23 rd June 2023	4SI Assembly
Tuesday	27 th June 2023	3SC Trip – Barnet Environmental Centre
Wednesday	28 th June 2023	Share a Story 2:50pm 2KS
Wednesday	28 th June 2023	KS1 – Sports Day 10:00am – 11:30am – Ridgeway Avenue
Thursday	29 th June 2023	1:30pm – 2:30pm September 2023 – Reception Intake – Welcome picnic
Thursday	29 th June 2023	3JC Assembly
Thursday	29 th June 2023	4:30 – Year 5 – Secondary Schools Meeting
Thursday	29 th June 2023	Sports Team Photos
Friday	30 th June 2023	Staff Training Day – school closed to pupils
Tuesday	4 th July 2023	Share a Story 2:50pm 2EH
Tuesday	4 th July 2023	Reception Picnic and Performance
Thursday	6 th July 2023	3EB Assembly
Friday	7 th July 2023	4AJ Assembly
Friday	7 th July 2023	KS2 Sports Day – 1:00pm – 3:00pm
Tuesday	11 th July 2023	Meet the Teacher, drop in session Ridgeway Avenue 3:20 pm Windsor Drive 3:40pm
Tuesday	11 th July 2023	Year 6 Performance
Tuesday	11 th July 2023	Year 3 JC Trip – Barnet Environmental Centre
Wednesday	12 th July 2023	Year 3 EB Trip – Barnet Environmental Centre
Wednesday	12 th July 2023	Beach Party – after school
Friday	14 th July 2023	Year 1 Picnic & Performance 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Friday	14 th July 2023	Year 2 Trip – Science Museum
Friday	14 th July 2023	Year 4 Trip – London Zoo
Tuesday	18 th July 2023	Year 6 Trip – Alexandra Palace – Ice Skating
Tuesday	18 th July 2023	Leavers Day & Disco
Friday	22 nd July 2023	School finishes Ridgeway Avenue – 1:15pm Windsor Drive – 1:30pm

Wednesday 19th July 2023 KS1 Teddy bear themed day Ridgeway Avenue

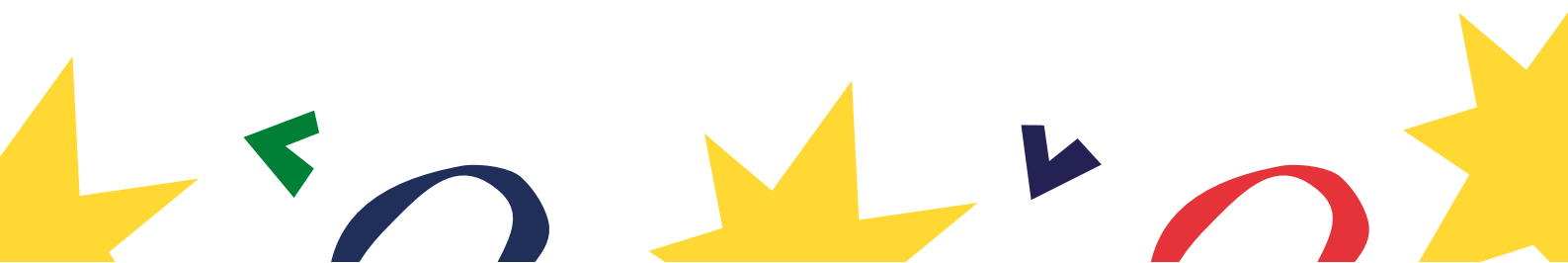




Danegrove 2023 – 2024 Term Dates

Danegrove Primary School

Term Dates 2023 - 2024	
Autumn Term 2023	
Monday 4th September 2023	INSET DAY - School Closed for children
Tuesday 5th September 2023	INSET DAY - School Closed for children
Wednesday 6th September 2023	School opens
Friday 20th October 2023	INSET DAY - School Closed for children
School Holiday (Half Term)	Monday 23rd October 2023 - Friday 27th October 2023
Monday 30th October 2023	School opens
Thursday 21st December 2023	School Closes for Christmas (early finish 1:30 p.m.)
School Holiday Christmas Break	Friday 22nd December 2023 - Friday 5th January 2024
Spring Term 2024	
Monday 8th January 2024	School opens
Friday 9th February 2024	School closes for half-term
School Holiday (Half Term)	Monday 12th February 2024 - Friday 16th February 2024
Monday 19th February 2024	INSET DAY - School Closed for children
Tuesday 20th February 2024	School opens
Thursday 28th March 2024	School closes for Easter Break (early finish 1:30 p.m.)
School Holiday Easter Break	Friday 29th March 2024 - Friday 12th April 2024
Summer Term 2024	
Monday 15th April 2024	School opens
Monday 6th May 2024	Bank Holiday
Friday 24th May 2024	School closes
School Holiday (Half Term)	Monday 27th May 2024 - Friday 31st May 2024
Friday 28th June 2024	INSET DAY - School Closed for children
Monday 3rd June 2024	School opens
Wednesday 24th July 2024	School Closes for Summer Holiday (early finish 1:30 p.m.)
Wednesday 3 rd September 2024	School opens for pupils



Friends of Danegrove – PTA



FRIENDS OF DANEGROVE PRESENTS

DANEGROVE SCHOOL

SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 10th June
11am to 3pm
WINDSOR DRIVE

ENTRY – ADULTS £1
CHILDREN FREE

- Stalls & Games •
- Tombola •
- BBQ •
- Food & Drinks •
- Raffles •
- Entertainment •
- Bouncy Castle •

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

ENTRANCE VIA THE CAT HILL GATE

Danegrove Parent Teachers Association Registered Charity Number 1085841



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HOLIDAY CLUB

30TH MAY - 2ND JUNE
Half Day (up to 4 hours) £20
Full Day (over 4 hours) £36

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e-mail: doconnor11.302@lgflmail.org

REVIEWS: "MY FAVOURITE THING ABOUT PLAYScheme IS PLAYING OUTSIDE IN THE JUNGLE GYM" - LAUREN, YEAR 5

"I ALWAYS PLAY FOOTBALL AT PLAYScheme" - HARRY, YEAR 3

"I LOVE THAT ALL OF MY FRIENDS ARE THERE" - LAILA, YEAR 3


"PLAYING BASKETBALL!" - DYLAN, YEAR 6

"MY FAVOURITE THING IS PLAYING OUTSIDE WITH MY FRIENDS" - NATHANIEL, YEAR 5

"THE BEST THING ABOUT PLAYScheme IS THE PEOPLE THERE!" - ELSIE, YEAR 5

Community


Barnet Libraries Literary Festival



A morning with Tanya Landman in conversation with Miriam Halahmy discussing 'The Battle of Cable Street' and 'Lightning Strike'. Including a Q&A and book signing session. Age guidance: children and teenagers 9 to 15 years & adults.

Finchley Church End Library
Sunday 14 May
9.30am – 11.30am

Book your FREE ticket and more information at
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-morning-with-tanya-landman-talking-to-miriam-halahmy-about-her-books-tickets-518547047207>
or scan the QR code below.



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Barnet Libraries Literary Festival



A morning with author Natasha Farrant discussing her book 'The Rescue of Ravenwood'. Including a Q&A and book signing session. Age guidance: 8 to 12 years.

Finchley Church End Library
Saturday 13 May
9.30am – 11.30am

Book your FREE ticket and more information at
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-morning-with-award-winning-author-natasha-farrant-discussing-her-books-tickets-518593155097>
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BEAT Half Term Workshops

BARNET EDUCATION Arts Trust

Tuesday, 30th May, 2023

DJing
11.00 - 12.00 - Key Stage 3
12.15 - 1.15 - Key Stage 2
£15

Djembe
11.00 - 11.30 - Parents/Carers
11.30 - 12.00 - age 7 - 14
12.15 - 12.45 - age 7 - 14
£5

Foundation Stage
10.00 - 10.45 - Nursery & Reception
11.00 - 11.45 - Year 1 & 2
£7.50

Mixed Ensemble
(Beginner to Grade 3)
10.00 - 12.00
£20

Come & Try an Instrument
(Woodwind, Brass, Strings)
10.30 - 11.45
£10

VENUE
East Barnet School,
Chestnut Grove,
East Barnet,
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Come and join us and find out how to become a Parent Champion

An exciting opportunity to...

- Find out more about becoming a Parent Champion
- Explore the different opportunities to you as a Parent Champion
- Meet some of our current Parent Champions
- Find out about local services and support for families in Barnet
- Enjoy a FREE lunch!

Wednesday 28 June 2023
11am – 2.30pm

Order of the day

11am	Registration and refreshments.
11.30am	Introduction to Barnet Parent Champion Programmes.
12.30pm	Networking lunch with photo opportunities and information stalls.

Music & Entertainment will be provided by Barnet Children & Young People

Venue: Canada Villa, Pursley Road, Mill Hill NW7 2BU
To book a place email: eyph@barnet.gov.uk

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ADHD & Autism Support Group/Workshop for Parents
Supporting Neurodiversity

Friday 16th June: 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

This is an opportunity to meet other parents facing similar challenges, share experiences, offer each additional support, and gain valuable learning.

Come to the group:

- If your child has a diagnosis or does not have a diagnosis
- You find it difficult to manage your child's behaviour
- You suspect your child has ADHD or Autism
- You are concerned about your child's education
- You wish to gain more understanding and awareness

Facilitated by **Sarah Noel**, Child & Family Consultant & **Siobhan Octave**, Family Support Worker

If you are interested in attending, please book through **eventbrite** at £10 or pay on arrival

CLICK HERE TO BOOK EVENT

Refreshments Provided

Venue: 9a Stable View, Graftonbury Mews, Enfield, EN2 9DY

For more information contact: Sarah Noel: 07508 63 68 80

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