

Newsletter

Spring Term 3 Week 2

Friday 17th January 2025

www.dentonprimaryschool.co.uk

Kind
Resilient
Respectful



It has been another fun and busy week at Denton. This week we sent home curriculum maps for each year group providing our families with information about what your children will be learning this term. We would encourage our families to discuss these maps with their children as I know they are very excited about their new topics.

Thank you for your patience whilst we upgrade our very old intercom systems to ensure our school is safe and the site is secure. The contractors have now finished and we are back to normal from Monday.

I wish you a very restful weekend.

Matt Doody, Headteacher

Reporting your child's absence

A reminder from Mrs Vidler in our school office that all parents and carers need to call or leave a message on the absence line each day their child is not in school. Please can you make sure you inform us no later than 8:50am. Thank you!

Parents' Evening

We are looking forward to seeing families in school on the following dates to share how your child is getting on.

Monday 3rd February

Thursday 6th February

So far, 174 out of 224 appointments have been made. It would be wonderful to see all of our families through the door during the week. To make an appointment please visit:

<https://dentonprimaryschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Digital Leaders

Congratulations to our new Digital Leaders who were presented with their badges in assembly this morning. The children all completed an application process and will now support Mr Mercer in leading Computing across the school.

Our digital leaders are:

Sydney Carey	Jack Harvey
Ruby Walsh	Florence Okines
Emily Cox	Imogen Hopper
Albi Medina McMurray	
Gracie May Wright	



Celebration Assembly – Friday 17th January

There was some sensational learning celebrated in whole school assembly this morning. The children are really enjoying showing off their work to the whole school.

Reception – Finley Woodland

Year 1 – Albie Spring

Year 2 – Jude Salvage

Year 3 – Albi Medina McMurray

Year 4 – Ben Daniels

Year 5 – Layla Bishop

Year 6 – Dylan Merrick



Our attendance for this week:

Whole school: 96.5%

Reception: 98.9%

Year 1: 91.1%

Year 2: 98.0%

Year 3: 99.2%

Year 4: 97.1%

Year 5: 94.2%

Year 6: 96.7%

Attendance Matters



Key Dates (term 3 & 4)

Monday 3rd February – Parents' Evening (3:30 – 6:00pm)

Thursday 6th February – Parents' Evening (3:30 – 6:00pm)

Thursday 27th February – Whales Assembly (9:00am)

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day (dress up as your favourite book character)

Thursday 6th March – Starfish Assembly (9:00am)

Friday 7th March – INSET day

Thursday 10th March – Turtles Assembly (9:00am)

Thursday 20th March – Penguins Assembly (9:00am)

Thursday 27th March – Seahorses Assembly (9:00am)

Wednesday 2nd April – Just Dance (7:00pm)

Thursday 3rd April – Dolphins Assembly (9:00am)

Ofsted Parent View survey results (November 2024)

Following our Ofsted inspection, we wanted to share the results of the parent survey which received 40 responses. Thank you to everyone who took the time to share their views on the school. As a leadership team we will review the findings and explore ways in which we can improve based on your feedback.

- 96% agree their child is happy at this school.
- 100% agree their child is safe at this school.
- 95% agree the school makes sure pupils are well behaved.
- 95% agree the school makes them aware of what their child will learn during the year
- 92% say they have either not raised a concern or it has been dealt with properly
- 100% agree the school has high expectations of their child
- 92% agree their child does well at this school
- 88% agree the school lets them know how their child is doing
- 98% agree the school has a good range of subjects available
- 95% agree the school can take part in clubs and activities
- 92% agree the school supports their child's wider personal development
- 95% would recommend this school to another parent.

Term Dates

Term 3: Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February

February half term: Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February

Term 4: Monday 24th February to Friday 4th April

Friday 7th March – INSET day

Easter Holiday: Monday 7th April to Friday 18th April

Term 5: Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 23rd May

May half term: Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May

Term 6: Monday 2nd June to Tuesday 22nd July

Monday 21st July – INSET day

Tuesday 22nd July – INSET day

All INSET days have now been set for this academic year.



East Sussex have published term dates for next year (2025-2026)

<https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/education-learning/term-dates>

Swap, Share & Repair – Sunday 26th January 11:00am – 3:00pm

Newhaven Green Centre are running their annual Swap, Share, Repair event on Sunday 26th January 11am-3pm at the Hillcrest Centre. Activities will include scone cutting, making fruit kebabs and smoothies, t-shirt printing, making bee boxes and an art workshop. This is alongside the monthly Repair Cafe, a massive clothes and toy swap, live music and a free lunch.

<https://www.hillcrestcentre.co.uk/events/2025/1/26/swap-share-repair>



Bikes & Scooters



Lego & Building Blocks



Our children love our playtimes. They have the freedom to explore, create, imagine and be physically active. This is due to our OPAL play provision which encourages these positive experiences. This was recognised by Ofsted in our recent inspection who described our playtimes as "JOYOUS".

If you've had a sort out over Christmas and are looking to get rid of anything then we've listed some items which are suitable for donating. Please bring donations to the front gate in the morning and speak with Mr Doody or Mrs Buss.



Small World

