

Newsletter

Spring Term 3 Week 5

Friday 7th February 2025

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It was wonderful to see so many of you at parents' evening this week. We hope you found the conversations useful and enjoyed looking through your child's learning. This was a key action from our recent Ofsted parent survey as something the school could improve so we are keen to ensure all our families have the opportunity to hear how their child is getting on in school.

This week the school has been marking Children's Mental Health Week which has been themed around 'Know Yourself. Grow Yourself'. On Tuesday the children met Chris, a former parent, who led a whole school assembly around confidence and self-belief. Chris offers a range of online and 1:1 coaching and I've included his promotional information at the back of the newsletter. Throughout the week the children have been engaging in the [Places2Be](#) resources. How did you get on with the activity sent home last week? Do email your creations to the office as we would love to see the children's ideas.

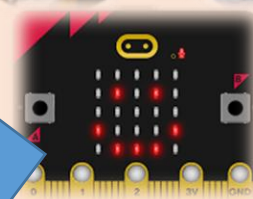


Have a fantastic weekend. Matt Doody, Headteacher

The Denton Journalists

As you're aware we are looking for young journalists to give you their view of the school. This week we have some year 3 children who attend Mr Mercer's Coding Club and they are keen to share with you about just one of the many extra-curricular opportunities we have at Denton.

"Hello! Our names are Bethany, Gracie and Lyric and we are in year 3. We love being 'CODERS'. Mr Mercer runs Coding Club every Wednesday during lunchtime. We make backgrounds for games and programme micro:bits which even make noises or tunes. As a treat we get to test out games on Purple Mash which is the software we use for our Computing lessons. It is important to understand about computers as they can work things out for us and do jobs quicker. As Coders we understand the importance of using our own login details and we never share our passwords (not even with our friends). If you are keen to join Coding Club then speak with Mr Mercer."



A micro:bit

Celebration Assembly – Friday 7th February

Each week we meet as one big school community in assembly to recognise those children who have gone over and above with their learning.

Reception – Robyn Wilson

Year 1 – Olympia Jones

Year 2 – Jurek Janiak

Year 3 – James Kujabi

Year 4 – Charlotte Robertson

Year 5 – Jack Harvey

Year 6 – Ella Lawrence



Our attendance for this week:

Whole school: 94.2%

Reception: 92.7%

Year 1: 93.3%

Year 2: 97.4%

Year 3: 91.9%

Year 4: 94.5%

Year 5: 94.6%

Year 6: 98.1%

Attendance Matters



Remaining INSET days for this year

Friday 7th March

Monday 21st July

Tuesday 22nd July

All INSET days for this year have now been set.

Cross Country

Congratulations to our superb runners Ella Lawrence and Carys Adams in Year 6 who represented Denton at the cross country area finals this week. We are incredibly proud of the girls for their resilience and determination in some very muddy, challenging conditions.



Next week the school will be marking Safer Internet Day on **Tuesday 11th February**. Created in consultation with young people across the UK, this year Safer Internet Day will be focusing on the issue of scams online and for young people, how to protect themselves and others, as well as what support is available to them.

[BBC Safer Internet Day](#)

[UK Safer Internet Centre](#)



Key Dates (term 3 & 4)

NEW! Tuesday 11th February – [Safer Internet Day](#)

Friday 14th February – Cup Assembly (9:00am)

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 13th March – Turtles Assembly (9:00am)

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

Friday 21st March – Red Nose Day (non-school uniform – wear **RED** and bring in a £1 donation)

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

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

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

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

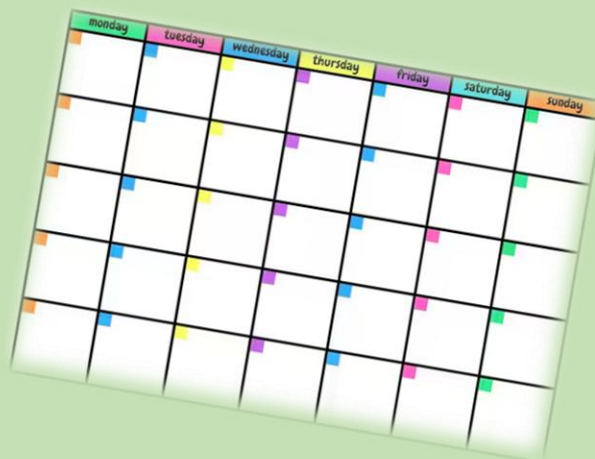
Term 5: Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 23rd May

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 \(2025-2026\)](#)



Here is just a small snapshot of some of the wonderful ideas the children have been coming up with which make our playtimes amazing!

It is one of the best parts of my job to be outside during playtime hearing the communication, creativity, exploring, problem solving, and...fun!



Thank you so much to everyone who has donated items to our playtimes. They really have been put to good use and our children cherish having a breadth of equipment, toys and loose parts to play with during their playtime.

We are still collecting and will be for the foreseeable future so if you have anything to donate please bring them to the gate in the morning and speak with Mr Doody or Mrs Buss.

Thank you for your continued support.

Bikes & Scooters



Lego & Building Blocks



Dressing up clothes



Small World





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YOUTH MINDSET COACHING

**MORE MOTIVATED CONFIDENT HAPPIER
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ONLINE AND 1:1 COACHING

- **PERSONAL FEARLESS JOURNAL**
- **SPECIAL GUEST TRAININGS**
- **MEMBERS ONLY COMMUNITY**
- **PERSONAL ACCESS TO ME**
- **PARENT SUPPORT**
- **WEEKLY ONLINE TRAINING**



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