Newsletter

Summer Term 5 Week 3

Friday 9th May 2025

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We've had a wonderful week at Denton, with something exciting happening every day!

On Tuesday, Mrs Buss took a group of Year 5 children (chosen at random) to the Amex Stadium for an **author visit with Will Mabbitt**. The children enjoyed learning about his writing process, and many have been inspired to bring his techniques back into the classroom. They were also treated to a mini tour of the stadium.

On Wednesday, our Key Stage 2 children took part in a workshop run by the **Brighton Energy Co-operative**. They learned about renewable technologies and how to reduce their carbon footprint. The session included a fun, hands-on challenge to build and test solar-powered cars: an excellent opportunity for teamwork and learning.

Thursday was **Outdoor Classroom Day**, and the children loved spending time outside on the playground and field. They explored new ways to enhance our OPAL playtimes and enjoyed a wide range of outdoor activities. We also marked **VE Day** on Thursday with a variety of activities, including assemblies, storytelling, bunting-making, Spitfire paper aeroplanes, and an after-school cake sale.

Finally, please note there will be a **change to the lunch menu** next Thursday for Census Day. You'll find the revised menu at the back of the newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend! Matt Doody, Headteacher









Celebration Assembly – Friday 9th May

These children were recognised in whole school assembly for their over and above learning this week.

Reception – Alfie Hayward

Year 1 – Finley Salter

Year 2 - Harley Proudlock

Year 3 - Chloe White

Year 4 – Joshua Tully

Year 5 – Christopher Bartlett-Pink

Year 6 - Chloe Hoti



Our attendance for this week:

Whole school: 94.4%

Reception: 90.0%

Year 1: 97.5% Year 2: 90.0%

Year 3: 95.8% Year 4: 97.6%

Year 5: 95.0% Year 6: 94.6%

Attendance Matters



VE Day Cake Sale

A huge thank you to Edie and Mary, with support from Carys and Grace, for organising Thursday's VE Day cake sale. An impressive total of £146.50 was raised for the Royal British Legion and the school fund. Thank you to all the families who donated cakes and supported the event!



Key Dates – term 5 & 6

Saturday 7th June – Denton Community Challenge Summer Fair

Thursday 12th June – OPAL Playtimes Parent Stay & Play (1:15pm)

Tuesday 24th June – New Reception Parents Stay & Play

Tuesday 8th July – Sports Day: KS2 (AM) KS1 (PM)

Wednesday 9th July – Sports Day: EYFS (PM)

CHANGE OF DATE: Wednesday 9th July - Year 6 Performance (6pm)

CHANGE OF DATE: Thursday 10th July – Year 6 Performance (6pm)

Monday 15th July – Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

Friday 18th July – last day of term for all children

Term Dates (2024 – 2025)

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



Term 1: Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 24th October

Wednesday 3rd September – INSET

Thursday 4th September – INSET

Children return to school after the summer holidays on Friday 5th September

October half term: Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October

Term 2: Monday 3rd November – Friday 19th December

Christmas Holidays: Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January

Term 3 starts: Monday 5th January



Census Day

KS1 Free KS2 £2.97

Did you know?

15 May 2025

If your child is in Reception, Years 1 or 2, then the meal is free of charge

Census Day Menu

Choose a Main Meal...

Battered Fish & Chips
Veggie Fingers & Chips (v)
Jacket Potato with Cheese or Baked Beans

On the Side...

Peas Baked Beans

For Dessert...

Strawberry Ice Cream or Fresh Fruit

Don't forget! If your child is in Reception, Years 1 or 2, then you can get their meal free of charge!