

## Newsletter

Spring Term 3 Week 2

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026

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Kind  
Resilient  
Respectful



The sunshine was a welcome relief today after what has been a very damp week here in Denton. Despite the weather, our children have made the most of every day and continue to embrace all opportunities to soak up their learning.

Our Eco Club met with the Newhaven Green Centre this week to discuss some exciting partnership work planned for the year ahead. Once plans have been confirmed, we will ask the children to write to you with an update.

As you will have seen from the Ping sent out earlier this week, the last day of this half term, Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February will be an INSET day, so the school, including our Nursery, will be closed to all children. Our final INSET day of the year will take place on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. All INSET days have now been confirmed.

Have a lovely weekend.

### Governor Visit

On Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January, we had the pleasure of showing two of our governors around the school. The visit formed part of their role in monitoring the work of the leadership team and evaluating progress towards the School Development Plan. During their visit, they were given a tour of the school and had the opportunity to observe several lessons. They also spoke with some of our children, who were eager to share their learning and talk proudly about their experiences at school. This morning in assembly, the following children were recognised for representing our school so well during the visit:

Harry Bovington  
Harley Proudlock  
Matildha Hogan  
William Leiper  
Emily Cox  
Jack Harvey



### Celebration Assembly – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January

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

Reception – Bruno Peterson

Year 1 – Chester Harvie

Year 2 – Evie-Rae Streeter

Year 3 – Jacob Leiper

Year 4 – Bethany Crooks

Year 5 – Isobel Currie

Year 6 – Embla Daniels



### Our attendance for **this week**:

Whole school: 95.9%

Reception: 95.9%

Year 1: 98.9%

Year 2: 93.8%

Year 3: 98.5%

Year 4: 97.7%

Year 5: 98.7%

Year 6: 96.8%

#### Attendance Matters



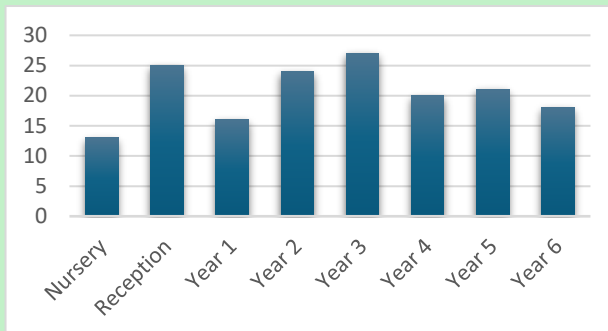
Congratulations  
Year 1

## Parents' Evening – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Thank you to everyone who has booked an appointment to see their child's teacher.

So far **166 out of 220 appointments have been made**. Year 3 lead in the race to fully book their class! To book a place for your child go to <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/code/p8k3f>

1. Enter the event code (if requested) – **p8k3f**
2. Enter your details
3. Choose the relevant teacher for your child
4. Choose an appointment
5. Click SAVE



## Key Dates

### Term 3

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January – Author visit as part of Children's Mental Health week

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Parents' Evening (3:30 – 6:00pm)

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February – Parents' Evening (3:30 – 6:00pm)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Whales Class Assembly (9:00am)

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – INSET

### Term 4

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Starfish Class Assembly (9:00am)

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Poetry Workshop

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – Turtles Class Assembly (9:00am)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March – Penguins Class Assembly (9:00am)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Seahorses Class Assembly (9:00am)

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Let's Dance

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Dolphins Class Assembly (9:00am)

## Term Dates (2025 – 2026)

**Term 3:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – INSET**

February half term: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February

**Term 4:** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Easter Holidays: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April

**Term 5:** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

May half term: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

**Term 6:** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July








**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – INSET**





## Learning at Denton – Spring Term 2026

Last week you will have received via School Ping an updated curriculum map of what your child is learning this term. Please speak with your child's teacher if you did not receive this information.

| EYFS  | Year 1  | Year 2  | Year 3  |
|---|---|---|---|
| <br>MINIBEASTS   | <br>AROUND THE WORLD | <br>CASTLES     | <br>ROMANS |
| Year 4  | Year 5  | Year 6  | <br>Kind<br>Resilient<br>Respectful   |
| <br>ANGLO SAXONS | <br>OCEANS           | <br>WORLD WAR 2 |   |



Some good news! Mrs Tsapparelli has been recognised for her commitment to developing singing at Denton by Create Music. Earners of this badge have demonstrated musical leadership by learning a diverse range of songs and Makaton signs, then teaching these to their school choir in preparation for a massed-choir performance at a professional venue, in front of a public audience in an event programmed and presented by Create Music in partnership with Glyndebourne. Congratulations to Mrs Tsapparelli!

### School closures due to extreme weather conditions

We've been fortunate so far to avoid the extreme weather affecting other parts of the country, including snow. Wherever possible, we aim to keep the school open; however, there may be occasions when we need to close due to severe conditions that compromise the safety of children and staff. This decision also takes into account staff travel to and from school.

If the school does need to close, parents and carers will be notified as soon as possible via SchoolPing. **Please ensure you have the latest version of the app installed and that notifications are enabled so that you don't miss any important communications.**







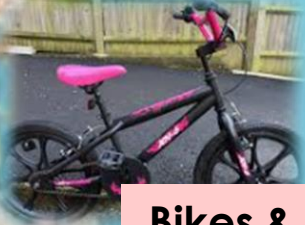
If you're having a spring clean can you support our OPAL playtimes by donating some items to the school?



**Pipes**



**Office equipment:  
keyboards, phones,  
joysticks**



**Bikes & Scooters**



**Small World**



**Lego &  
Building Blocks**



**Dressing Up Clothes**



FADS January

# UNWANTED GIFT COLLECTION



12th - 30th Jan 2026

In preparation for our 2026 Christmas Fair,  
we would be grateful for donations of  
unwanted gifts. Further details will be  
shared by school in the new year.