

Newsletter

Spring Term 3 Week 2

Friday 16th January 2026

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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 13th 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 22nd July. All INSET days have now been confirmed.

Have a lovely weekend.

Celebration Assembly – Friday 16th 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



Kind
Resilient
Respectful



Governor Visit

On Tuesday 13th 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
Matilda Hogan
William Leiper
Emily Cox
Jack Harvey



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%

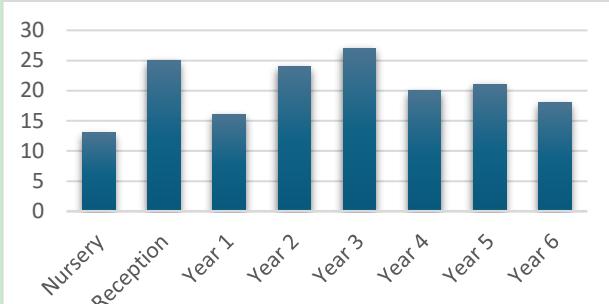


Parents' Evening – Monday 2nd & Thursday 5th February 2025

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 29th January – Author visit as part of Children's Mental Health week

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

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

Thursday 12th February – Whales Class Assembly (9:00am)

Friday 13th February - INSET

Term 4

Thursday 26th February – Starfish Class Assembly (9:00am)

Wednesday 4th March – Poetry Workshop

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Thursday 5th March – Turtles Class Assembly (9:00am)

Thursday 12th March – Penguins Class Assembly (9:00am)

Thursday 19th March – Seahorses Class Assembly (9:00am)

Wednesday 25th March – Let's Dance

Thursday 26th March – Dolphins Class Assembly (9:00am)

Term Dates (2025 – 2026)

Term 3: Monday 5th January – Friday 13th February

Friday 13th February - INSET

February half term: Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

Term 4: Monday 23rd February – Friday 27th March

Easter Holidays: Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April

Term 5: Monday 13th April – Friday 22nd May

May half term: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

Term 6: Monday 1st June – Wednesday 22nd July

Wednesday 22nd 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
 MINIBEASTS	 AROUND THE WORLD	 CASTLES	 ROMANS
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
 ANGLO SAXONS	 OCEANS	 WORLD WAR 2	Kind Resilient Respectful



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.**



SchoolPing



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



Pipes



Bikes & Scooters



Lego & Building Blocks



Office equipment: keyboards, phones, joysticks



Small World



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.