

Newsletter

Summer Term 5 Week 2

Friday 24th April 2026

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Kind
Resilient
Respectful



It has been a terrific week at Denton. One of my favourite parts of the job is when children visit me to share their learning. This week, my office has been a revolving door of children keen to show me their fantastic progress.

Our Year 5 girls took part in a football fixture against Peacehaven Heights on Thursday and were fantastic representatives of the school throughout. They demonstrated impeccable manners, teamwork and sportsmanship from start to finish. Although the match ended in defeat, the girls showed great determination and resilience, and we couldn't be prouder of their efforts. A special mention must go to Evie Woodcock, who scored a peach of a goal that was a real highlight of the match. This afternoon, our football team are competing in a 5-a-side tournament. We wish them the very best of luck and will share an update on their progress and results in next week's newsletter.

A big thank you goes to our brilliant FADS team, who ran the chocolate bar event after school. Events like these make a huge difference in supporting school activities, and we are very grateful for the time and effort given by our volunteers.

Finally, our Reception and Nursery children (and staff!) have been busy caring for some very special visitors. As part of their learning, the children have had the exciting experience of hatching their own clutch of chicks. This has been a wonderful hands-on opportunity to learn about life cycles, responsibility and caring for living things—and has brought lots of smiles across the early years classrooms.



Celebration Assembly – Friday 24th April

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

Reception – Alfie Streeter

Year 1 – Vaeah Corbett-Thornton

Year 2 – Riley Sandalls

Year 3 – Isabelle Cox

Year 4 – Oliver Harvey

Year 5 – Frankie Parsons

Year 6 – Christopher Bartlett-Pink



Our attendance for **this week:**

Whole school: 94.3%

Reception: 93.8%

Year 1: 96.7%

Year 2: 97.8%

Year 3: 93.8%

Year 4: 91.4%

Year 5: 95.7%

Year 6: 91.0%

Attendance Matters



Congratulations
Year 2



The recent glorious sunshine has truly enhanced our children's playtimes, creating a joyful and energetic atmosphere across the playground. With the warmer weather, we've seen the wonderful return of fancy-dress costumes, sparking imaginative role play and endless storytelling. Alongside this, children have been busy collaborating to build shelters and dens, thoughtfully creating shaded spaces to keep cool during the hot, sunny lunchtimes.

Loose Part Request of the Week: Baby Car Seats

Do you have a baby car seat that you no longer need? If so, we would be incredibly grateful for any donations. Baby car seats have become a hugely popular loose part, inspiring imaginative play such as travel adventures, role play scenarios, and creative construction. As you can see from Freya and Layla, the children are absolutely loving incorporating them into their play.



Keeping cool in the sunshine.

Sand Towers!



You're never too old to play with small world toys!



Cooking up a treat in the mud kitchen



Key Dates (Term 5 & 6)

Term 5

- Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday
- Friday 8th May – Dodgeball team cake sale
- Thursday 21st May – Outdoor Classroom Day

Term 6

- Saturday 6th June – Denton Community Challenge
- Friday 19th June – FADS Father's Day Event
- Tuesday 7th July – Sports Day (AM – KS2 / PM – KS1)
- Wednesday 8th July – EYFS Sports Day (PM)
- Monday 13th July – Year 6 Production (inc. Yr 5) @ 4:00pm
- Thursday 16th July – Year 6 Production (inc. Yr 5) @ 4:00pm
- Monday 20th July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- Tuesday 21st July – End of term 6 for all children



Term Dates (2025 – 2026)

Term 5: 13th April – 22nd May

May half term: 25th – 29th May

Term 6: 1st June – 22nd July

Wednesday 22nd July – INSET



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Wednesdays
29th April, 6th
13th 20th May
3.30-4.30

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- Bikes and helmets provided
- For beginners and those who can already cycle

