

## Newsletter

Summer Term 5 Week 4

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026

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Kind  
Resilient  
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### Celebrating Our Community

We are incredibly proud to be part of such a supportive and caring community. At Denton, our children develop a strong sense of belonging, and it is our vision that they continue to grow and go on to play an active role within their communities when they leave us. We are fortunate to have strong, positive links with external agencies that provide tailored support for many of our families. Our governing body also works tirelessly alongside the leadership team to drive school improvement and ensure the very best outcomes for our pupils.

Most importantly, we value our parent and carer community, who work in partnership with our dedicated staff to support our children to succeed. We know that the best learning happens when we work together with a shared commitment to the children's wellbeing and achievement. We are very proud of our place within the community and remain fully committed to strengthening these partnerships so that all of our children can thrive. On that note, **thank you to everyone who contributed to our cake sale** to raise funds for the dodgeball team ahead of their upcoming regional finals. Of course, a special thank you to **Mrs Buss** for organising the event.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Paradise Park for kindly donating plants to support our Life Skills Certificate work this term, where our Cove children are learning about growing food outdoors. This generous contribution has provided a wonderful hands-on opportunity for our children and will make a real difference to their learning experience.



### Good Luck to Our Year 6 Pupils

We would like to wish all of our Year 6 pupils the very best of luck as they take their SATs next week. You have all worked incredibly hard and shown great determination throughout the year. These tests are simply an opportunity to show what you know—there is no need to worry. We are already extremely proud of everything you have achieved. Remember to get plenty of rest, arrive each day ready to do your best, and most importantly, believe in yourselves.

Good luck — you've got this!

### Celebration Assembly – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May

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

Reception – Alana Ward

Year 1 – Alfie Hayward

Year 2 – Ryley Jones-Sutton

Year 3 – Jesse Martin

Year 4 – Bertie Merchant

Year 5 – Chloe Cummings

Year 6 – George Barnett



Our attendance for **this week:**

Whole school: 93.5%

Reception: 93.8%

Year 1: 95.0%

Year 2: 96.2%

Year 3: 96.7%

Year 4: 87.5%

Year 5: 93.1%

Year 6: 93.0%

Attendance Matters



Congratulations  
Year 3

## Happy Birthday David Attenborough

Today, the children marked Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday with a special assembly celebrating his incredible contribution to our understanding of the natural world. The assembly highlighted his inspiring work and the importance of caring for our planet. They looked great in their animal crowns! Thank you to Mrs Stokes for organising such a thoughtful and engaging event.



## End of day supervision reminder

We would like to remind all parents and carers that once children have been handed over at the end of the school day, they are under your supervision. We kindly ask that children do not use any playground equipment or resources after they have been tidied away by staff. This helps us to ensure equipment remains safe, secure and ready for use the following day. Thank you for your support and cooperation in helping us maintain a safe and respectful school environment.

## AMEX Stadium – FREE PRIZE DRAW

The school has been given two family tickets (2 x adult and 2 x children) to the Family Festival on the AMEX pitch on Saturday 6th June. Further information about the event can be found [here](#).

We are pleased to offer families the opportunity to enter a **free prize draw** to win tickets to the event. Entries close on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 12:00pm.

[To enter the draw please click here](#)



## Key Dates (Term 5 & 6)

### Term 5

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Outdoor Classroom Day

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Progress Cup Assembly

### Term 6

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Denton Community Challenge

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – FADS Father's Day Event

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day (AM – KS2 / PM – KS1)

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July – EYFS Sports Day (PM)

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Production (inc. Yr 5) @ 4:00pm

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Production (inc. Yr 5) @ 4:00pm

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – End of term 6 for all children

## Term Dates (2025 – 2026)

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

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

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

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

The Reading Agency, along with the UK public library network, delivers the Summer Reading Challenge across the country every year. It is the UK's biggest annual reading promotion for children aged four to eleven. Throughout the Summer Reading Challenge, library staff, along with teenage and adult volunteers, help children to discover new authors and explore a wide range of different types of books, giving them a positive experience of reading for pleasure.

**You can make a huge difference by encouraging your child to take part.**

The Summer Reading Challenge:

- Significantly improves reading confidence and independence
- Ensures pupils are ready for their return to school, preventing the summer reading 'dip'
- Aids the successful transition between year groups and key stages
- Contributes to all pupils' achievement
- Encourages extra-curricular activity – encouraging family engagement with reading
- Develops links between your school, the library and the wider community

The Challenge will begin in libraries on **Saturday 5th July** and end on **Saturday 6th September**.

To take part in the Challenge children need to read six books of their choice that they have borrowed from the library or downloaded from our [e-book library](#) over the summer holidays. They are given rewards for each book they read and a certificate and medal if they manage to complete the Challenge.

The Challenge is for all children, whatever their reading ability. Children who are not reading independently can share their books with a family member or friend, or they might prefer to listen to audio books. We have materials to enable children with additional needs to participate as well. You can find out more about these by emailing [library.enquiries@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:library.enquiries@eastsussex.gov.uk) or by speaking to your local library contact.

Children can be signed up at [www.eastsussex.gov.uk/src](http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/src) They will need to login to their library account (library card number and PIN) to complete the registration process.

