

Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 Week 3

Friday 18th September 2026

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Kind
Resilient
Respectful



We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to meet your child's teacher and visit their classroom on Wednesday. You will have received their topic map, which outlines all the exciting learning taking place this term, along with some important dates relevant to your child's year group.

We have also launched our new topics with a 'Stunning Start'. These activities are designed to provide an engaging introduction to each topic and set the scene for the learning journey the children will follow throughout the autumn term. Later in the term, you will have the opportunity to be part of the 'Fantastic Finish' when you attend class assemblies and visit classrooms again at the end of November to look through the children's books. Be sure to ask your child about their Stunning Start and what they enjoyed most!

Wet Weather

As part of our playtime provision, we encourage children to go outside in all but the most extreme weather conditions. Fresh air and the opportunity to be active during playtimes are incredibly important for their wellbeing. We would therefore be grateful if parents could ensure their child brings a lightweight waterproof jacket to school each day.



Celebration Assembly – Friday 18th September

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

Reception – *will be joining us soon!*

Year 1 – Oliver Woodford

Year 2 – Phoebe Dennis

Year 3 – Fern Rutherford-West

Year 4 – Murphy Axson

Year 5 – Archie Newland

& Ronnie Spicer

Year 6 – Josh Tully



Our attendance for **this week**:

Whole school: 95.1%

Reception: 96.9%

Year 1: 98.4%

Year 2: 93.7%

Year 3: 92.3%

Year 4: 92.9%

Year 5: 95.8%

Year 6: 95.2%

Attendance Matters



Congratulations
Year 1

PE Kit update

To maximise learning time, children will now be able to come to school wearing their PE kit on their allocated PE days and remain in it throughout the day. This will reduce time spent changing for PE and help ensure kits are washed regularly rather than remaining in PE bags for long periods. Class teachers will confirm PE days with families. Thank you for your support.

Our new salad bar

The children are enjoying our new school meals. In particular, many children have been choosing options from the new and improved salad bar. We did, however, have to reassure one child that the pesto pasta was not, in fact, mouldy and was supposed to be green!



Key Dates

Term 1

1st October – Census Day ([special menu](#))
12th October – Parents Evening (3:30 – 6:00pm)
15th October – Parents Evening (3:30 – 6:00pm)
31st October – Deadline for secondary school applications

Term 2

4th November – Individual & Sibling Photographs
16th November – Odd Socks Day
17th November – Year 1 Class Assembly (9:00am)
18th November – New Reception Open Day (9:30 / 5:00)
19th November – Year 2 Class Assembly (9:00am)
20th November – Year 3 Class Assembly (9:00am)
20th November – Children in Need
23rd November – Year 4 Class Assembly (9:00am)
25th November – Year 5 Class Assembly (9:00am)
25th November – Open Classrooms (3:00pm)
27th November – Year 6 Class Assembly (9:00am)
1st December – School Choir @ Brighton Dome
9th December – EYFS Nativity
11th December – Key Stage 1 Nativity
14th December – Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance
15th December – Year 5 & 6 Christmas Performance

Term Dates (2026 – 2027)

Term 1

Friday 4th Sept – Friday 23rd Oct

Term 2

Monday 2nd Nov – Friday 18th Dec

Term 3

Monday 4th Jan – Friday 12th Feb

Term 4

Monday 22nd Feb – Thursday 25th Mar

Term 5

Monday 12th April – Friday 28th May

Term 6

Monday 7th June – Thursday 22nd July

**Please note not all INSET days
have been set.**

Parent Consultations – Autumn Term

We would like to invite you to make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss their progress since the start of the year. These will take place on the following dates:

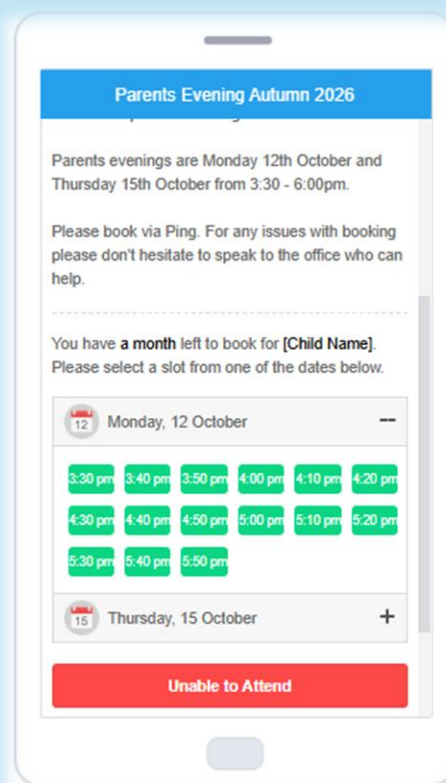
- Monday 12th October (3:30 – 6:00pm)
- Thursday 15th October (3:30 – 6:00pm)

You will receive a SchoolPing inviting you to book your appointment. If you do not yet have an account on SchoolPing please come and speak with the office who will be glad to help you set one up.

Where possible, we encourage one appointment per child. However, when there are circumstances where an additional appointment is required, please email this request to the school office and your child's teacher will get in contact with you.

Please be advised in Year 6 where we have a class share the teachers will be available on the following dates:

Monday 12th October – Mrs Turner (Year 6)
Thursday 15th October – Mrs Stevens (Year 6)



Who to Talk To?

It is always helpful to remind everyone of the appropriate channels to follow if they have a question or concern regarding their child's learning or experience at school. In the first instance, we encourage all parents and carers to speak with their child's class teacher. Teachers are available on the playground at the end of the school day, or you can contact the school office to arrange an appointment. To ensure that teachers can welcome children into class and begin the day's learning promptly, we kindly ask that parents avoid approaching teachers with concerns at the start of the school day, unless the matter is urgent.

If, after speaking with the class teacher, you feel that your concern has not been resolved, you may arrange an appointment with Mrs Hancock (SENCO) or Mrs Coyle (Deputy Headteacher). Following this, you are welcome to make an appointment with Mr Doody (Headteacher).

How to contact us

For all enquiries, please contact the school office by emailing office@denton.e-sussex.sch.uk or calling 01273 513377.

We kindly ask that parents do not contact staff directly via their individual email addresses. As teachers are engaged in teaching and supporting children throughout the day, they may not see messages promptly. Using the school office ensures that enquiries are directed appropriately and receive a timely response. Please note that staff are not expected to respond to emails or messages outside their normal working hours. We aim to acknowledge and respond to all enquiries within five working days.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain effective communication and ensuring that staff can focus on providing the best possible learning experience for all children.

★ School Council ★

Year 1 – Oliver Woodford & Luna Streeter

Year 2 – Olivia Carey & Grayson Gilbert

Year 3 – Aurora Carter & Evie Streeter

Year 4 – Elijah Simmons & Louise Aldridge

Year 5 – Albi Medina McMurray & Oscar Beard

Year 6 – Charlie Foote & Bella Webb



🌱 Eco Team 🌱

Year 1 – Evie Down & Raphael Parris

Year 2 – Kiki Hollingworth & Jake Swainbank

Year 3 – Jake & Tiana Rhodes-Mercer

Year 4 – Harley Proudlock & Isabella Dawson

Year 5 – Alfie Spencer & Ollie Harvey

Year 6 – Jacob Blick & Imogen Hopper, Leo Barnett & Imani Ripley

☀️ Meet Our Pupil Leaders 2026–27 ☀️

Making our school a kinder, more respectful and resilient place for everyone!

We are delighted to announce our pupil leadership teams for this year. Congratulations to all of the children who have been selected to represent their class and help make a positive difference across our school. These children were announced in assembly this morning.

😊 Wellbeing Ambassadors 😊

Year 2 – Hallie White & Tabitha Hogan

Year 3 – Aria Dean & Nellie Fowler

Year 4 – Murphy Axson, Teddy Snow & Oliver Allen

Year 5 – Bertie Norris & Winston Dicks

Year 6 – Amy Lawrence, Caelan McLeod & Morgan Jones



💻 Digital Leaders 💻

Year 3 – Henry Addyman & Amber Lawrence

Year 4 – Reggie Jones-Sutton & Aoife Turner

Year 5 – Abi Attwood, Byron Corbett-Thornton & Elsie Woodcock

Year 6 – Theo Rutherford, Toby Foster & Teddy Partridge

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FavOURites

THURSDAY 1ST
OCTOBER

BRUNCH MENU

PORK SAUSAGE OR VEGGIE
SAUSAGE, EGGY BREAD, HASH
BROWN & BAKED BEANS

OR

JACKETS WITH CHEESE OR
BEANS

SALAD

CARROT CAKE
JELLY
FRUIT



Parent Support Team

E A S T S U S S E X

Support for Parents and Carers

Courses, webinars and drop in sessions for
all parents and carers with children aged
0-19 across East Sussex.

parentsupport@eastsussex.gov.uk

[https://familyhubs.eastsussex.gov.uk/
activities](https://familyhubs.eastsussex.gov.uk/activities)



The Parenting Team

Early Help 0-19
Respect | Partnership | Strength



East Sussex Healthcare
NHS Trust



East Sussex
County Council



FAMILY HUB
EAST SUSSEX



Parent Support Team
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**October–
December
2026**

1-1 Drop In Sessions

Join us for an informal chat about anxiety, behaviour, SEND, neurodivergence, teenagers, or any parenting questions.

Face to Face

Find us at Family and Youth Hubs across East Sussex including:

Hastings and St Leonards

Rother

High Weald

Eastbourne and Hailsham

Lewes and Peacehaven



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<https://familyhubs.eastsussex.gov.uk/activities>

No need to book. See the website for more details and dates.

Online– Parent Support Appointments

Book a 30 minute slot with a Parent Support Practitioner

You can join from anywhere and can even share the link with other co-parents or family members.

Email us to receive the booking form.

October	Tues 6 th 6-8pm	Fri 16 th 10-12pm
November	Tues 10 th 1-3pm	Thurs 26 th 6-8pm
December	Wed 2 nd 12:30- 2:30pm	Wed 9 th 6-8pm

DENTON CP SCHOOL BEOFRE SCHOOL CLUB



BREAKFAST CLUB TERM 1

£7 PER DAY

EVERYDAY MONDAY - FRIDAY

07:30 - 08:30

4TH SEPT - 23RD OCT

**SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE:
SIBLINGS1 / SIBLINGS2**

**BLOCK BOOKING DISCOUNT:
NO SIBLING:DENTON10
SIBLING:SIBLINGDENTON15**

BOOK NOW! - using Pebble



SPORTSCOOL ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY AND CARE OF YOUR CHILD DURING THE TIMES OF THE CLUB. WE ARE FULLY INSURED FOR ALL RISKS. HOWEVER, SPORTSCOOL DOES NOT ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSS OR DAMAGE TO YOUR CHILD'S PROPERTY. ALL SPORTSCOOL COACHES HAVE ENHANCED DBS CLEARANCE.

Please note a minimum of 8 children is required for this club to run and only 1 discount code can be used per booking.

NIPPERS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



JOIN THE FUN !



- Arts & Crafts
- Games and puzzles
- Forest School
- Lego
- Homework help



*Let's go
outside*

PROGRAM DETAILS :

- Monday to Friday
- 3pm-6pm
- Collection from local schools
- Dinner and snacks included
- Eastside Social Center,
Norton Terrace, Newhaven

FRIENDS



MORE INFORMATION

- 07564452837
- www.nippers.org.uk

