Newsletter
Autumn Term 2 Week 1

Friday 8th November 2024

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# Kind Resilient Respectful



Welcome back to term 2. I hope you all had a restful break with your families.

This week the children have started their new topics. You can find out what your child will be learning this term in the curriculum area of our website.

In whole school assembly we discussed our OPAL playtimes and I gave the children the challenge of being creative with the huge number of leaves that have fallen in the playground. The results were spectacular and I was blown away by how imaginative the children were with their play. We had leaf sculptures, bug hotels, autumnal collages, leaf colour sorting and even a "leaf Mr D".

Have a lovely weekend!

Matt Doody

### Remembrance Sunday & Armistice Day

On Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November we have two children representing Denton Primary at the Remembrance service held at Newhaven Memorial. Along with myself, **Edie Jones** and **Ashley Gore** (both in year 6) will attend a short service at Memorial Green and lay a wreath on behalf of our school.

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November we will be holding a minute silence at 11:00am as an act of remembrance. Poppies are available to purchase from the school office.



#### **Lost Property**

Inevitably things do go missing and we always return items which are named to their owners. However, we have bags of clothing which is unnamed.

Please can we ask that you check your child's uniform is clearly labelled with their name so we can return it if lost.

#### **Celebration Assembly**

Here are the fantastic children who were acknowledged in our celebration assembly this morning.

Reception: Emras Arnold

Year 1: Aurora Carter

Year 2: Jude Salvage

Year 3: All of Penguins! 😊

Year 4: James Spraque

Year 5: Lila Alexander

Year 6: Daisy

Fryer- Bushell



## Your attendance matters and so do you

Good attendance at school is important so that children do not miss out on their learning. Did you know that when teachers plan their lessons, each lesson builds on the previous one? So if a child misses 1 or 2 lessons a week, they will find the work much harder as they will be developing gaps in their knowledge.

Whole school: 95.3%

Reception: 99.1%

Year 1: 94.1%

Year 2: 98.2%

Year 3: 94.3%

Year 4: 96.3%

Year 5: 89.8%

Year 6: 99.1%

#### **Key Dates**

All school dates are shared on the school calendar including when school holidays are.

- 11<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> November Anti Bullying Week
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November Armistice Day (poppies are available from the office)
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November Odd Socks Day (school uniform but children wear odd socks)
- Friday 15th November Children in Need (non-school uniform and bring £1 donation)
- Thursday 14th November Sea Horses (Year 2) Class Assembly @ 9:00am
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November New Reception (Sept 2025) Open Day (9:30am & 5:00pm)
- Thursday 21st November Dolphins (Year 1) Class Assembly @ 9:00am
- Friday 29th November FADS Beetle Drive: more info to follow soon

#### Christmas performances

- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December EYFS Nativity 9:30am
- Wednesday 11th December Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performance 9:30am & 1:45pm
- Friday 13th December Year 3 to 6 Christmas Performance 9:30am & 1:45pm
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Panto funded by FADS (Friends & Associates of Denton)

Christmas holidays are Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January

Term 3: Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February

Term 4: Monday 24th February to Friday 4th April

Friday 7th March – INSET day

Please be aware that not all INSET days have been arranged yet.

#### FADS – Friends & Associates of Denton School

A huge thank you to the FADS and additional volunteers who supported at the silent spooky disco on the last day before half term. The event was a huge success and the children had the best time! The event raised £340 so thank you to everyone who contributed to make this happen. The next event is a Beetle Drive which will take place on Friday 29th November. Further information will follow. The FADS are also funding the end of term Christmas Panto. If you wish to become actively involved in FADS please contact Mrs C Norris (Chair of the committee) via email: FADS@denton.e-sussex.sch.uk

#### Girls football

Congratulations to our girls football team who represented Denton at a tournament on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

They played 5 games, winning 4 and drawing 1 which meant they came joint 1st

Ella Lawrence

Carys Adams

Billie Sprague

Khloe Akilli

Sejida Hussain

Ruby Walsh

Orla Murray Mary Logan



#### Reminders...

**Odd Socks Day**: as part of Anti-Bullying week, on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November we invite the children to wear **odd socks** with their **school uniform**. It is a day when schools join together to show that it's okay to be different and to stand up against bullying and discrimination.

**Children in Need** – on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November the school will take part in Children in Need. The children can wear non school uniform and bring in a £1 donation. All money raised will be donated to the charity. Also, Mrs Townsend is selling Pudsey beanies from the school office.



