

Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 Week 7

Friday 16th October 2026

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Kind
Resilient
Respectful



Student and parental voice are very important at Denton. It has been wonderful to provide parents and carers with the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher, hear about the progress they have made this term so far, and look through their books to celebrate all the brilliant learning that has taken place.

However, parents weren't the only ones having important meetings across the school this week. We held our first Subject Ambassador Meetings. Teachers selected representatives for each subject, and on Tuesday afternoon children from across the school came together while subject leaders gathered feedback and interviewed the ambassadors. This ensures that all voices are heard and gives children with a particular passion for a subject the opportunity to suggest ways of improving the learning experience for everyone.

In a similar vein, our School Council shared our child-friendly School Development Plan with the whole school during assembly. We've included a copy at the end of this newsletter. We are fortunate to have a range of pupil leadership groups that allow children to play an active role in school improvement and decision-making.

This morning, during assembly, children were proudly presented with their badges for School Council, Eco Team, Digital Leaders and Mental Health Ambassadors. It is another example of how, at Denton, we strive to be an inclusive school where everyone has a voice. By working together in partnership, we can continue to make Denton the truly special place that it is.

Celebration Assembly – Friday 16th October

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

Reception – Marlee Foote

Year 1 – Maeve Turner

Year 2 – Ezmay Heffernan

Year 3 – Tilly Stevens

Year 4 – Isabella Dawson

Year 5 – Gracie-May Wright

Year 6 – Alfie Watts



Who won Attendance Ted this week?

Whole school: 95.9%

Reception: 93.9%

Year 1: 97.3%

Year 2: 94.3%

Year 3: 95.8%

Year 4: 98.1%

Year 5: 94.5%

Year 6: 96.3%

Attendance Matters



Congratulations
Year 4
(3rd week in a row)

Poppy Appeal

We are now selling poppies in the school office. All proceeds will be donated to the Royal British Legion. Denton will be laying a wreath at Newhaven Memorial on Sunday 8th November at the morning service.



PGL Final Parent Meeting

A final reminder that there will be a parent meeting on **Monday 19th October at 3:15pm**. This is an opportunity for parents and carers to attend and ask any last-minute questions they may have about the residential.

YEAR 6 FAMILIES

Deadline for applying for a secondary school place for your child is 31st October 2026.

Key Dates

Term 1

19th October – Year 6 PGL meeting for parents (3:15pm)
21st to 23rd October Year 6 PGL residential
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 (9:30am & 5:00pm)
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 (from 3:10pm)
26th November – Year 6 Class Assembly (9:00am)
27th November – INSET day
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
16th December – Christmas Lunch
18th December – End of term

Coats and wellies

As the weather becomes more changeable, please ensure your child brings a coat to school each day. We aim to get children outside for fresh air and play in all but the most extreme weather conditions, so having appropriate outdoor clothing is important. We also recommend that children bring a **named pair of wellies** to keep in school. From next week, if children want to use the field during playtime they will require a pair of wellies. Thank you for your support.



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.

Our plans to make Denton exceptional in 2026-2027



Everyone included

- Everyone learns in different ways and at different speeds. We want to find the best ways to help every child make great progress and achieve their best.

Exciting curriculum

- Get ready for exciting *Stunning Starts* and amazing *Fantastic Finishes* that make learning fun, challenging and memorable.

Achievement

- We believe every child can succeed. We will support everyone to make great progress and be ready for their next challenge; especially in maths and phonics.

Attendance & Behaviour

- We come to school every day, ready to learn. We show respect by helping everyone learn without interruptions so that all children can succeed.

Personal development and wellbeing

- We have an exciting new RSHE programme that will help you learn how to keep yourself safe, healthy and happy as you grow and thrive.

Early Years

- Our youngest children will enjoy an exciting, inspiring learning environment, supported by amazing adults who help them learn, grow and shine every day.

Leadership & Governance

- Everyone has an important part to play in making Denton an incredible school. This includes children, staff, subject leaders and governors all working together to make our school the best it can be.

Denton CP School Winter Sporting Calendar

October Half Term & Term 2 After School Football

October Half Term Fun Days Two Day Special



**Monday 26th & Tuesday 27th October 2026
9.00am - 3.00pm @ £30.00 Per Day**

FREE FOOTBALL WHEN YOU ATTEND BOTH DAYS
Peacehaven FC's all new 3G Football Complex
(First Team Pitch, Piddinghoe Avenue)

- Fun warm ups, Skill Drills and Challenges
- Mini World Cup Tournament & Penalty Prize
- Medals, Certificates & Prizes for all

FREE football when you attend both days

Email: matwiltshire@aol.com

After School Football Term 2 (October - Xmas)

**** You are automatically booked on if you attended last term ****



Starting Week Commencing Monday 9th November 2026

**Thursday: Year 3, 4, 5 & 6: Thursday 12th November 2026 and each Thursday
until the 6 sessions are completed, 3.15pm - 4.10pm @ £36.00
(Last session Thursday 17th December)**

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