

Newsletter

Deansbrook Infant School

NEWSLETTER NO.20

'Learn, Grow, Achieve Together'

7th February 2025

Value of the month:

Determination

Link to the British Value of Mutual respect and tolerance of others



Message from Mrs Catley

Thank you to all the year 2 parents and carers who attended our comprehension workshops this week. We hope you found them useful.

TIPS FOR FAMILIES

Place2Be's
CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

- 1 Encourage journaling**
Just like Riley, encourage your older children and young people to express their emotions and thoughts through journaling. It can be less confronting than speaking out loud and is a helpful way to process what is going on.
- 2 Make space for reflection**
When children and young people reflect on their different emotions, it can help them better understand themselves and what they need. Go for a walk, drive, or try some mindful colouring or baking together.
- 3 Be visual**
Use imagery, such as emojis or flashcards to help children and young people recognise and label their feelings.
- 4 Practice mindfulness**
Try mindful activities, and quiet family time, to enjoy being in the present moment. This can help children and young people be aware of their thoughts and emotions and learn a useful new coping technique.
- 5 Communicate**
Feedback is crucial for helping us see our blind spots and gain greater insight. Children and young people are no different. Creating safe and supportive ways to share your own experience with your child can help them understand themselves and their impact on the world around them.

If you're a parent or teacher, you'll find loads of useful advice to help you support the brilliant young people in your lives - from FAQs to downloadable packs. [Here4You.co.uk](https://www.place2be.co.uk)



Does anyone have a small outside table that Reception could use in their outdoor classroom? If you do, please speak to one of the Reception team or the school office.
Thank you



Children's Mental Health Week

We have had a lovely week learning about how to 'know yourself, grow yourself' and the children took part in special assemblies and yoga sessions and then today, our dance-a-thon!



Yoga session with Year 1



Dance-a-thon!



Do you need to hire a space?

Our school hall is available to hire through Sharesy. The hall is suitable for a regular booking for a class or club or for one off family occasions, such as a children's party. Please click on the following link:

<https://www.sharesy.com/s/deansbrook-infant-school-main-hall>

Dates for your diary

Spring Term 2025

Saturday 8th February – Inclusive Stay & Play session at Borehamwood Baptist Church

Tuesday 11th February – Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 11th February – Year 2 visit to the Islamic Centre in Edgware

Thursday 13th February – Reception visit to the Chip Shop

Friday 14th February – End of first half of the spring term

Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February – Half Term

Monday 24th February – First day of Spring 2

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day

Reading Breakfast at 8am – all welcome

Monday 17th March – Science Week

Tuesday 18th March – Science workshops

Monday 24th March – Duckling eggs arrive in Reception!

Tuesday 25th March – Year 2 visit to Mill Hill East Church

Tuesday 1st April – Rocksteady Concert (parents of children who play in a band may attend)

*All dates in bold type can be attended by parents/carers

Attendance

This week the attendance in each class has been...

Class	Attendance %
Gold Class	95%
Silver Class	94%
Green Class	93.5%
Purple Class	95%
Red Class	91%
Blue Class	96%

Well done Blue Class!

Coffee Mornings

Weekly coffee mornings on

Wednesdays

9am – 12noon

at

at John Keble Church



Everyone
welcome



Bookings for instrumental music tuition for the Summer term 2025 are now open. There is no deadline as places will only be offered where spaces are available. The music tutors come into school to teach your children.

If you are a new parent please go to:

<https://beatrust.org.uk/learn-to-play/school-based-tuition/>

You can register for an account and apply for lessons.

If you are an **existing parent**, please wait until you receive information from BEAT notifying how to pay for next term. You will be notified by email.

Terms and conditions can be found [here](#).



Hola
esperamos que tengas un buen
fin de semana.

Hello. We hope you have a good weekend
(Spanish)



Birthdays

**Happy Birthday to these children who
celebrated their birthday this week:**

Leo in Gold Class

We hope you all have a lovely day.