

Newsletter

Deansbrook Infant School

NEWSLETTER NO.21 'Learn, Grow, Achieve Together'

27th February 2026



Value of the month:

Courage

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



Message from Mrs Catley

I hope that you all had a lovely half term break. Important dates for this half term are in the 'Dates for your Diary' section. Please make a note of these so you can plan ahead.

World book Day

Next Thursday, March 5th is World Book Day and we have some exciting events taking place:

- 8am – Reading Breakfast – bring your favourite book to school and read it with your child in the hall while enjoying a glass of juice and a doughnut (courtesy of Wenzels the Bakers)
- Children can wear their pyjamas to school and bring their favourite book!
- Children can draw the front cover of their favourite book and bring it to the school office during the week or March 2nd – 6th
- Every child who takes part will receive a certificate.
- Every child will receive a £1 book token to swap for a 'World Book Day' book at a local bookseller.



Sponsor a Book

As part of our World Book Day activities, we are asking parents/carers to sponsor a book for our school. It costs £6 to sponsor a book.

If you have more than one child at our school you may like to sponsor one book for all your children.

Books will be shared with the children at Deansbrook and will help develop reading skills and the enjoyment of reading.

If you are able to sponsor a book please pay online via SchoolMoney or visit the school office with your credit/debit card.

If you are sponsoring a book between siblings simply pay for one book and we will match up siblings manually. Thank you!



Do you need to hire a space? Our school hall is now available to hire through the website 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 the link: <https://www.sharesy.com/s/deansbrook-infant-school-main-hall>

Dates for your diary

Spring Term 2026

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day – Reading breakfast from 8am in the school hall

Monday 9th March – Science Week

Tuesday 10th March – Science Workshops

Tuesday 17th March – Rock Steady Concert at 9am (for parents/carers of children who attend Rock Steady)

Thursday 19th March – Niteowls visit to the school (children can have their photo taken with an owl!)

Friday 20th March – Red Nose Day – wear red clothes to school !

Friday 20th March – Y1 visit to the 'Easter Experience' as part of the RE curriculum

Monday 23rd March – Hearing and Vision Tests for Reception

Tuesday 24th March – Hearing and Vision Tests for Reception

Tuesday 24th March – Parents Consultations: 3.30 – 6.00pm

Thursday 24th March – Cake Decorating Competition

Thursday 24th March – Cake Sale in the playground

Thursday 26th March – Parents Consultations: 4.30 – 7.00pm

Friday 27th March – Easter Bonnet/Hat Parade (prizes for the best bonnet/hat)

Friday 27th March – End of Term

Reception finish at 1.15pm

Full time Nursery, Year 1 and Year 2 finish at 1.30pm

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

Schools White Paper

You may be aware that the Government released details of their intentions for SEND reform on Monday in their Schools White Paper. A link to the White Paper is below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/every-child-achieving-and-thriving>

We know you are likely to have concerns and questions about what this may mean for your children and we are therefore delighted to let you know that there will be an online Q&A session next **Thursday 5th March from 6-7.30pm** at which Kim Miller, Head of SEND and Inclusion in Barnet, will explain what we know so far.

Please note that much of the detail is yet to be released so it may not be possible to answer detailed questions at this stage. There is no need to pre-register for the session. The link to join is below. We hope you can join this very important session.

Microsoft Teams [Join the meeting now](#)



Birthdays

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

Ethan in the Nursery
Rishona in Green Class

We hope you all have a lovely day.

Attendance

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

Class	Attendance %
Gold Class	92%
Silver Class	93.5%
Green Class	95%
Purple Class	90%
Red Class	89.5%
Blue Class	93%

Well done Green Class!

Science Week

We will be celebrating Science Week from 9-13th March.

As part of our science focus we would love you to make a poster with your child at home to answer a question your child has about science and the natural world.

What are they curious about?

How can we encourage them to find the answers they have about the world?

Please see the letter sent home with the newsletter today.

All science posters should be brought to school on Monday 9th March.

