

Newsletter

Deansbrook Infant School

NEWSLETTER NO.29 'Learn, Grow, Achieve Together'

8th May 2026



Value of the month:

Honesty

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



Message from Mrs Catley

Our school photographer visited today and took class photos. You will receive the proofs in a couple of weeks and will be able to scan the QR code to purchase a copy.

Congratulations to Arthur in Green Class!

On Friday, Arthur in Green Class travelled to Gloucester for the Eastern Region Ski Association schools ski race. He competed in the U8 group and came away with 3 medals. Well done Arthur!



Mental Health Awareness Week – 11-17th May 2026

Take Action: for yourself, for someone else, for all of us

The [Mental Health Foundation](#) has chosen the theme "Action" this year to recognise that whilst awareness is vital, real change comes when taking action too. Regarding action during this week try to:

- **For yourself:** Choose one positive action to boost your mental health that works for you. [Click here on resources for looking after your mental health](#) in addition to Resources from Action for Happiness - [10 Keys to Happier Living](#) | [Action for Happiness](#)

For someone else: Find one thing that you can do to help build mentally health communities, workplaces and schools.

Summer Fair Poster Competition 2026

Don't forget about our competition to design a poster to advertise our summer fair 2026. Each poster must include the following information:

Deansbrook Schools Summer Fair

Date – Saturday 11th July

Time 1pm – 5pm

Attractions at the fair include

bouncy assault course, beat the goalie, global food, popcorn & slushies, crepes, ice-cream, teddy tombola, jolly jars, pick-a-bottle, raffle

Please make sure that the posters are bright and colourful and that the venue, date and time are clear.

There will be a prize for the best poster in each year group.

Closing date: Thursday 14th May

Fairground

We are excited to share that our children in the Nest classroom have recently started a new 'Fairground pre-writing intervention'. Using the magic of the fairground, we have been teaching children to form pre-writing shapes with each shape linked to a ride! The intervention also involves daily gross motor activities and playdough activities to help develop essential fine motor skills needed for writing.



Dates for your diary

Summer Term 2026

Monday 11th May – Year 1 Educational Visit to Windsor Castle

Tuesday 12th May – Year 1 writing workshop for parents/carers of Green Class

Tuesday 12th May – Gold Class River Thames Boat Trip

Wednesday 13th May – Year 1 Nature Reserve Walk (pm)

Thursday 14th May – Silver Class River Thames Boat Trip

Thursday 14th May – Year 1 writing workshop for parents/carers of Purple Class

Thursday 21st May – Deansbrook's Got Talent!

Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May: Half Term

Thursday 11th June – Y2 Educational Visit to the London Transport Museum

Friday 12th June – National Thank a Teacher Day!

Tuesday 16th June – Phonics workshop for parents/carers of Blue Class

Thursday 18th June - Y2 Educational Visit to the London Transport Museum

Thursday 18th June – Phonics Workshop for parents/carers of Red Class

Monday 22nd June – Year 1 Educational Visit to Southend

Tuesday 23rd June – Year 2 Educational Visit to the Barbican to watch the LSO

Wednesday 24th June – New Nursery meeting at 6pm

Thursday 25th June – Sports Day (please note new date!)

Wednesday 1st July – New Reception Meeting at 6pm

Thursday 2nd July – Nursery Educational Visit to Wendover Woods

Tuesday 7th July – RockSteady Concert (for parents/carers of rocksteady children)

Thursday 9th July – Reception end of year concert at 9am

Thursday 9th July – Open Evening

Friday 10th July – Nursery end of term concert 11am and 2.45pm

Saturday 11th July – Summer Fair 2026! 1.00pm – 5.00pm

Tuesday 14th July – Y1 end of term concert at 9am

Thursday 16th July – Y2 end of term concert at 9am

Thursday 16th July – School Picnic at 2pm

Thursday 16th July - End of Term for nursery AM and PM

Friday 17th July – 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

Year 1 have been making castles as part of their D&T curriculum. First, they learnt different attachment techniques such as a flange, a L-brace and a tie. They then incorporated these skills into their designs and made their castles.

Well done Year 1!



Attendance

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

Class	Attendance %
Gold Class	93%
Silver Class	97%
Green Class	92.5%
Purple Class	94%
Red Class	97%
Blue Class	96.5%

Well done Red and Silver Classes!



Birthdays

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

Kai in Blue Class
Ikhlās in Green Class
Elisa in Gold Class

We hope you had a lovely day!

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>