Newsletter

Deansbrook Infant School

NEWSLETTER NO.6 **'Learn, Grow, Achieve Together'** **23rd October 2026**

Value of the month:

Respect

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

Message from Mrs Catley

Our school attendance has been excellent this half term and we end the week with our whole school attendance at **95.4%.** This is amazing and the highest attendance we have had for quite some time. Well done everyone!

Thank you to everyone who donated towards our collection for 'Just one tree' last week. I am delighted to tell you that we raised

£156.

This means that we have now planted 487 trees! We are so proud of our contribution to help make the world a better place.

On Tuesday 3rd November the children are being offered the chance to have a flu vacination at school. If you would like your child to receive this vaccine please complete the consent form sent by email a couple of weeks ago.

Once you have given consent you should receive a confirmation message from the nhs. Please make sure that you either accept or decline the consent form so that it is clear whether or not you want your child to receive the vaccine.

Thank you to everyone who attended our lovely harvest assemblies this week. The children sang beautifully and really enjoyed performing their songs to their families and friends.

Thank you also for all the donations towards the harvest collection. We have managed to collect quite a lot of cereals, porridge oats and cereal bars. We will make sure that the local Food Bank in Colindale receive all your donations.

Children in Need

On Friday 13th November we will celebrating Children in Need at school.

We are asking children to come to school in something spotty and bring a £1 donation towards the charity.

This year we are also going to be selling some exciting Children in Need merchandise. Look out for headbands, wristbands and pens being sold in the playground or at the school office.

Dates for your diary

Autumn Term 2026

HALF TERM BREAK – October 26th – October 30th
Monday 2nd November – 2nd half of Autumn Term starts
Tuesday 3rd November – Flu Vaccines (am)
Friday 6th November – Diwali Assembly All welcome
Monday 9th November – Infant Music Festival (Y2)
Tuesday 10th December – Height and Weight Measurements for children in Reception
Thursday 12th November – Electric Umbrella Assembly for KS1 (rescheduled)
Friday 13th November – Children in Need – Wear something spotty!
Friday 13th November – Tour of the school for prospective parents/carers
Monday 16th November – School Photographs (sibling groups between 8am and 9am)
Wednesday 18th November – Phonics workshops for parent/carers of Blue Class
Thursday 19th November – Year 1 educational visit to the RAF museum
Thursday 19th November – Phonics workshops for parents/carers of Red Class
Friday 27th November – Tour of the school for prospective parents/carers
Tuesday 1st December - Rocksteady Concert at 9am (parents of rocksteady students can attend the concert)
Friday 4th December – Christmas Fun Day
Tuesday 8th December – Reception visit to the Finchley Arts Depot
Wednesday 9th December – Christmas Lunch (wear a Christmas jumper)
Thursday 10th December – Tour of the school for prospective parents/carers
Tuesday 15th December – Year 2 visit to the Christmas Experience
Thursday 17th December – End of term for am and pm nursery
Friday 18th December – End of Term
Reception finish at 1.15pm
Full time Nursery, Year 1 and Year 2 finish at 1.30pm

Spring Term 2027

Tuesday 5th January – INSET Day – school closed to children
Wednesday 6th January – Spring Term starts

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

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to these children who celebrated their birthday so far this term:

Parker in the Nursery
Lia and Lina in Purple Class
Eyaan in Silver Class

We hope you all had a lovely day.

Happy Birthday to these children who will be celebrating their birthdays during half term:

Vaani and Amelia in the Nursery
Yara in Purple Class
Aaron in Gold Class

Attendance

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

Class	Attendance %
Gold Class	92%
Silver Class	90%
Green Class	95%
Purple Class	**97%**
Red Class	96%
Blue Class	95%

Well done Purple Class!
Congratulations to Purple Class for also having the best class attendance this half term!
They will have some extra playtime as their prize.

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 on the following link:
https://www.sharesy.com/s/deansbrook-infant-school-main-hall