Newsletter

Deansbrook Infant School

NEWSLETTER NO.8 ***'Learn, Grow, Achieve Together'*** **13th November 2026**

Value of the month:
CO-OPERATION
Link to the British Value of Mutual respect and tolerance of others

Message from Mrs Catley

Year 2 took part in the infant Music Festival last week. Year 2 children from Edgware Primary and Mathilda Marks Primary visited out school and we all sang songs together and shared our own individual songs. It was a lovely afternoon.

Children In Need

Thank you to everyone who donated towards Children in Need today.

Our school was full of spots and lots of yellow!

We have also sold many Headbands, wristbands and pens which have helped us to raise even more money.

Thank you!







The Nest

Our SEND space, The Nest, was visited by a Barnet SEN consultant this week. I am delighted and very proud to tell you that our provision was praised as being excellent! The staff that were observed were all demonstrating really good practice and the consultant was very impressed. We were even mentioned at the Barnet SEND conference and Mrs Griffiths was asked to speak about our provision.

Thank you and well done everyone who works in the nest – you are all amazing!

A special mention to Mrs Griffiths who has worked so hard to ensure that our SEND space is of the highest quality for our most vulnerable children.





Looking for things to do this winter in Barnet?

Please see the link below to the Barnet Youth Winter 2026 magazine.

The magazine is packed with a wide range of activities, opportunities, events, and support available to children, young people, and families across Barnet this winter.

There is something for everyone, including free and affordable activities, youth provision, sports, arts, wellbeing opportunities, and family support services.

Barnet Youth Winter 2026 Magazine

https://barnetyouth.uk/uploads/files/187/Barnet-Youth-Winter-2026-Magazine.pdf

Dates for your diary

Autumn Term 2026

Autumn 2

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
Friday 20th November – Phonics workshops for parents/carers of Red Class ***NEW DATE!***
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
Friday 11th December – Christmas Concert for Blue and Purple Class
Friday 11th December – Nursery concerts at 11.15am and 3pm
Tuesday 15th December - Christmas Concert for Red and Green Class
Tuesday 15th December – Year 2 visit to the Christmas Experience
Wednesday 16th December - Christmas Concert for Gold Class
Wednesday 16th December – EYFS Parties
Thursday 17th December - Christmas Concert for Silver Class
Thursday 17th December – Year 1 and Year 2 parties
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

Birthdays

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

Elyza in Red Class

We hope you had a lovely day.

Attendance

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

Class	Attendance %
Gold Class	96%
Silver Class	96%
Green Class	95%
Purple Class	94.5%
Red Class	**97%**
Blue Class	96.5%

Well done Red Class!

Phonics Workshops for parents/carers of children in Reception

Please remember our phonics workshops are next week for all parents/carers of children in Reception.

Blue Class – Wednesday 18th November
Red Class – Friday 20th November

It is very important that an adult (Mum, Dad, Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle, older sibling over 16 years old etc) is able to attend these workshops so that your child can participate.

Please arrange for an adult to come into school for an hour on the morning of your child's workshop.
All workshops are at 9am in the school hall.
The session will include a free pack of resources to take home!

Sibling Photographs

Sibling photographs will be on Monday 16th November between 8am and 9am in the school hall. This will be on a first come, first served basis so arrive early to avoid disappointment.

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