

Denham Green Academy News

Dates this half term:

- Monday 18th September —Year 2 parent meeting (2:45pm)
- Wednesday 20th September— Year 3 parent meeting (8:45am)
- Wednesday 27th September— Handwriting lesson for all parents/carers (8:45am)
- Wednesday 4th September— Phonics for reception, year 1 and 2 parents (8:45am)
- Friday 13th October— school photographs



Hometime

Thank you very much to all parents and carers for your patience at hometime.

Hometime has been a little slower than normal as the teachers are getting used to new faces.

Please can we ask that all parents wait either on the grass or right at the bottom of the gate so that we can fit the whole class on the ramp.

Clubs

Clubs are beginning next week. All clubs finish at 4:20pm. Just like hometime, all children in clubs will be brought out to the front of the school and signed out once their adult is there to collect them.

We will assume every week that your child is attending their club unless you have informed the office otherwise. Our clubs have been very popular and there are waiting lists so if your child misses a club more than 2 times we will give their place to someone else on the list.

If your child is in a club with a charge then please hand in the money to the office in a named envelope.

For the clubs on a Tuesday they will all start on Tuesday 26th September due to staff training on Tuesday 19th.

Homework

All children in Years 1- 6 should have received their topic (for the half term) and maths (weekly) homework.

Homework is to be returned on a Monday and the homework books and new maths homework for the week will be sent out on a Wednesday.

Please support your child and the school by ensuring your child completes their homework.

Parent meetings

Over the past few days we have had a number of parent meetings where the teachers are meeting their classes parents and talking through the curriculum and expectations for the year. Thank you very much for the parents and carers that have been able to make these meetings. It is important that parents come to these meetings so that you can hear crucial information about this year and ask any questions you may have.

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Handwriting lesson for all parents/carers

Wednesday 27th September- Handwriting lesson for parents (8:45am)

We would like to invite all parents/carers in for a fun and informative handwriting lesson. We will show you how we teach your child handwriting and get you to have a go as well. We will talk you through our method and terminology so that you can support your child at home. Please do come along, have a giggle and have a go.

Phonics session for parents/carers of pupils in years:

Reception/Year 1/ Year 2.

Wednesday 4th October- Phonics for parents (8:45am)

Phonics is how we teach your child to read and it is taught daily. It is a very important lesson and therefore we would like to invite all parents/carers of children in reception, year 1 and 2 to come along for this teaching session. We will start with talking you through what phonics is and teaching you the sounds. We will then demonstrate a phonics lesson with a small group of children so you can see it in practice.

We really hope as many of you can come as possible.

Drop off

As we have been back at school for a few weeks now we would like children to be more independent in walking to their class on their own and saying goodbye to their adults at the front door. Teachers are starting to teach lessons straight away and it is not appropriate for parents to come into class as teachers need to settle the class and start teaching. If you have any messages please pass them on through the office or one of the senior leaders at the door.

Also if any children arrive once the front door has closed they are recorded in our late book. Children do need to arrive between 8:30 and 8:45am.

Thank you for your
co-operation with this.

No NUTS in school

We have some children
in school with
nut allergies, please do
not send any nut
products into school.

Roald Dahl Day

Well done to everyone who came dressed up as a character from a Roald Dahl book. The effort you put into your costumes was amazing. Huge congratulations to all.



Class Attendance for this week is displayed next to each class.

Class News

written by the children of each class

99.6% Reception

Parents, please encourage your child to walk in to school on their own.

In Literacy we are finding out which are our favourite foods at school. We are going to write about what we like at school.

In Numeracy we are ordering numbers from 1–10 and beyond.

In Topic we are making our favourite foods on a plate.

Please collect boxes & wool for our junk modelling.

97.3% Year 1

In Literacy we have been planning writing and editing stories with repeated phrases. We read "Dear Zoo" by Rod Campbell to help us with ideas.

In Numeracy we have been identifying and representing numbers. We have discovered different ways to represent numbers, practiced our formation and counted up to 100!

We began our new topic "All about me!" We have learnt where we live in the UK and started to order our life events. We also learnt how important it is to look after each other.

Miss Griffiths found out that Year 1's are very good at this!

Whole School Attendance from 1.9.2017:

95.9%

Whole school Attendance this week:

95.9%

Target 97%

97.2% Year 2

In Literacy we have been recording the story "The Papaya that spoke" We have been acting out and retelling the story.

In Topic we have been learning about how we fight fires today.

96.4% Year 3

In Literacy we have been reading extracts of Roald Dahl stories and deciding what we like and what we are not so enthused by.

In Numeracy we have been adding and subtracting 10 and 100. We have also looked at the value of each digit in a 3 digit number.

In Topic we have looked at stone age jewellery, diet and cooking techniques.

89.2% Year 6

In Literacy we are studying the book "Street Child". We have been story-mapping the key events from the early chapter and used the events to change a part of the story in our own way.

In Numeracy our topic has been place value this week. We have looked at ordering and rounding large numbers and also decimals.

We started our Industrial Revolution topic this week, finding out a little about why people moved from the countryside to large cities and thinking about their work and living conditions.

Well done to all of the children who took the Secondary Transfer test, it is tough doing this so early, but their positive attitude was excellent!

95.8% Year 4

In Literacy we are learning about Rhodopis in a book called "The Egyptian Cinderella".

In Numeracy we have been ordering numbers and putting them on a number line.

In Topic we have been learning about the Egyptian jobs.

We have also been learning about Teeth!

93.5% Year 5

In Literacy we have been learning about an event during WW1

"A Christmas Truce".

We have sequenced pictures, thought about vocabulary and learnt to recite some of the story.

In Numeracy we have been looking at a place value. Partitioning and recognising the value of a digit within a number.

WW1 is our new topic this half term. We have looked at how this war started and the countries affected.

In Science we carried out experiments on mixing different materials with water. We used scientific language in our report writing.