



DEPTFORD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th November 2018

In school this week we have been promoting Anti Bullying week as well as World Kindness Day on Tuesday. In assemblies we have spoken about what a difference we can make to the lives of others through such things as smiling, being helpful, patient and showing forgiveness. Kindness is one of the school's values and the children have been encouraged, especially this week, to demonstrate acts of kindness to those around them. Have a wonderful weekend!

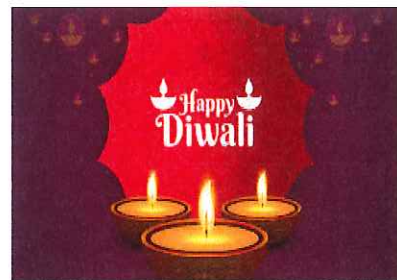
Dates for your Diary

19th November ~ School Photographer
20th November ~ Flu vaccine Rec to Year 5
20th November ~ Parents' Evening
6th December ~ EYFS Christmas Show
7th December ~ Winter Fayre
11th December ~ Key stage 1 Christmas Show
13th December ~ Year 3 and 4 Christmas Show
14th December ~ Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
19th December ~ Children's Christmas lunch
21st December ~ Children's last day at school

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

8th January ~ Children return to school

To all our families who recently celebrated:



Free School Meals

If you know or think you may be entitled to claim free school meals for your child, we would strongly encourage you to apply.

The school receives extra funding to be spent on your child. More funding means extra resources for your children.

Thank you

PTA News

Friends of Deptford Park

We had our first meeting last week and had a brilliant response from parents offering their time to help us start our fundraising. We will be updating you all on our progress and ideas we have for spending the money raised!! We will be selling Tea Towels in time for Christmas and are currently selling Spring Bulbs. WATCH THIS SPACE!

Class assemblies

Most Wednesdays throughout the year, classes take it in turn to perform a class assembly, which parents are warmly welcome to attend. It's a wonderful opportunity to see what your child is learning in school. Class assemblies start at 9.15 am and last no more than 20 minutes. They take place in the Infant hall.

21st November ~ Emerald Class

A copy of this newsletter can also be downloaded from the school website: www.deptfordparkschool.co.uk
Also follow us on twitter @deptfordpark or download our free app

As a staff team we are aware that sometimes things can go wrong. When this happens, we want to work with you to put things right. Please remember our staff are here to help. You should expect a timely and professional response from our staff team. They should also expect that you treat them with courtesy and respect.

The School Governors and Lewisham Education Authority will not tolerate threatening and aggressive behaviour on its premises, nor verbal or physical abuse to parents, staff or pupils.

Thank you for your continued support.

BEHAVIOUR POLICY workshops for parents

We are in the process of transforming our Behaviour Policy and want to let you know more about it, and to find out what you think.

We will be running some short Behaviour workshops in the computer suite during Parents' evening on:

**Tuesday 20th November:
@ 4.30 pm and 5.30 pm**

World Kindness Day Workshops

12th -16th November was anti-bullying week and children across the school have been having assemblies and discussing how to recognise and deal with bullying.

In addition 13th November was World Kindness day. Bernadette Russell, a local resident, children's author and kindness campaigner led the Year 5 and 5/6 classes through a kindness workshop.

The children made kindness posters for each other and created artwork to send to children who are kindness campaigners in a school in Uganda.

Everyone enjoyed the workshop and had fun.



Packed lunches:

As a "healthy school" we would prefer that the children drink water with their lunch (which we provide). Please support us by not including fizzy drinks or juices in your child's packed lunch.

Thank you

Attendance

Classes for best attendance so far this half term

1st ~ Jasper

2nd ~ Green

3rd ~ Emerald

Well done!

SCHOOL UNIFORM:

Please remember that your children are required to wear uniform to school everyday.

Can we please remind you that our school colours for trousers and skirts are navy blue or black (not grey) Children should be wearing white polo shirts and not light blue ones.

Please also ensure that your child has a change of suitable clothing for PE.

Please check with your child's class teacher if you are unsure of PE times.

Thank you.

Do you have an interest in education and want to get more involved?



Then why not consider becoming a **PARENT GOVERNOR**

Please see Clare in the school office for more information and a chat.

Absence Request

We expect children to achieve an attendance record of 97% or above. If you need to request exceptional or emergency absence from school for your child please come to the office to complete a "Request Form" as soon as possible so that we have sufficient notice.

Leave requested after you have taken it may not be authorised.