

# D'EYNCOURT

PRIMARY SCHOOL



Thursday 26th October 2023

At D'Eyroourt, we aim to be our BEST-

### Class Dojo



The winning classes last week were: 1/2PM and 3/4B

The winning classes this week were: Reception and 3/4B

#### <u>Attendance</u>

The winning class last week was 5/6P with 99.4%

The winning class this week was 3/4RB with 95.8%

Well done to all!

# Celebrating Success Outside of <u>School</u>

Mitchell, Harman, Francesca-Swimming

Mitchell - St John's Ambulance a.wa.rd.

Jessica M - Black Belt

Mitchell - Football

Sam T - Silver Scouts award

Seb - Dance award

Well we have finally arrived at half term after another busy few weeks and it has been so lovely having lots of events on in school. It has been special for years 1 and 2 children as they have attended their first school trip of the year to the Black Country Living Museum - both year groups thoroughly enjoyed exploring and learning about the past. We have also celebrated Harvest this week - Years 5 and 6 performed a feast of songs and shared information helping us to reflect on the meaning of Harvest. Thank you to all families who sent in produce for our harvest collection which was delivered to help families in the local area. Vaccination UK were in school this week to administer the flu vaccines. They will visit again later in the year to catch any children who were absent this week.

Today has been a very sad day as we have said goodbye to Mr Turner who has retired today from his job as caretaker at D'Eyncourt Primary after 13 years. Mr Turner has been so important to life at school and I'm sure you all have memories with him. We are very sad to see him go but we hope he has a wonderful retirement, spending valuable time with his family and we thank him for all of his hard work over the last 13 years. D'Eyncourt won't be the same without you!



All of the children and staff have worked incredibly hard over the course of the half term and although it has been a long one it seems to have gone quickly. I am sure that you and your children are ready for a break and we hope that you have an enjoyable half term holiday. See you back on school on the 6th November!

Mrs D Darby, Headteacher

#### October 2023

#### <u>Dates for your diary</u>

**27th** - INSET Day - School closed for pupils

31st - Secondary Schools applications must be submitted by this date.

### November 2023

6th - Return to School

**7th** - Year 5/6 pupils - First round of the Game4Reading Book Quiz (via Teams)

8th - Photographer in school

**9th -** D'Eyncourt Open Evening for new Reception Parents and Carers 2024

**10th** - Year 5/6 visit to local memorial (more information to follow)

**10th** - Remembrance Afternoon (Art activities across the school)

13th- Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying week -children to wear odd socks

**13th, 14th** - Year 6- Nurse in to complete height and weight checks

**17th** - Reception Phonics meeting in the hall - 3.20pm-3.50pm

**22nd** - Year 3/4 Tudor Immersive Day (more details to follow)

**23rd** - Year 5 Digital Ambassador training - 12 pupils















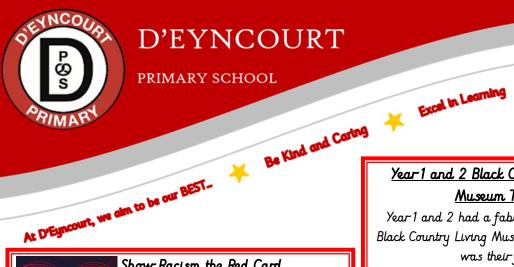


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# D'EYNCOURT



## <u>Show Racism the Red Card</u>

Last Friday, we were showing racism the 'Red Card' on 'Wear Red' day. The children came into school wearing a red item to help us support and raise awareness for

the charity 'Show Racism the Red Card'. During the day, the children completed tasks in their classes, created poetry and staff held discussions around racism. The children have been learning about how we as a school can unite and tackle racism. We hope that these activities and tasks will open eyes, hearts and minds to the challenges people face every day. It has been so important to share what to do if children ever experience or witness racism. The poetry competition created some wonderful poemsswell done to everyone especially the winning entries who were Mya, Gabriella, Isabella W and Evie J. Thank you for your support with this day.

# <u>Diwali Day</u>

Today, we have celebrated Diwali in school.

The children have learnt about the festival of Diwali through various activities such as: making and decorating diva lamps, creating Rangoli patterns and making Diwali cards. To add to the children's enjoyment of the day, it was wonderful to see the children come to school dressed in traditional Asian dress or their party clothes. We have had a wonderful day celebrating this special festival.

# <u>Game+Reading Book Quiz 2023</u>

Over the last 6 weeks, 6 children in year 5 and 6 have been working hard reading 6 books to take part in the Game4Reading Book Quiz. Here, the children have to answer really tricky questions based on the 6 books, plus learn facts about popular childrens' authors.

The first round of the competition will be held on 7th November on Teams. Good luck to the team! They are Finley, Yuvraj, Ekam, Ajay, Janaelee and Cara.

# New Reception 2024 Open Evening

We would like to invite parents/carers of children starting Reception in September 2024 to our Open Evening on Thursday 9th November 5pm until 7pm. Please share this with family and friends.

# Year 1 and 2 Black Country Living <u>Museum Trip</u>

BLACK COUNTRY MUSEUM

Year 1 and 2 had a fabulous day at the

Black Country Living Museum this week. They were so excited as it was their first visit in year 1 and 2.

Luckily, the weather stayed dry and the children had a brilliant time experiencing life in the past. They visited a Victorian school lesson (where some of the teachers got in trouble), the blacksmiths, some stores, looked around rich and poor Victorian houses and found out about Victorian toys and game. Well done Year 1 and 2 for a super first trip. A truly wonderful experience for all of the children.

## Cauliflower Cards

As you know, this year we are partaking in the 'Christmas Design Project' run by Cauliflower Cards. The project aims to encourage pupils' creativity and design skills whilst also raising funds

for our school. Thank you for all of your orders - they have been sent off today and we will let you know as soon as the orders arrive in school. Thank you for your support with this project.

#### <u>Harvest Festival Celebrations</u>

This week, Y5 and 6 performed their Harvest assembly. Although there were some technical issues during the performance, the children performed brilliantly and sang their hearts out. Well done to the staff to persevering and for putting on a good show!

Thank you for the donations of food which have been donated to our local food bank charity The Good Shepherd for the benefit of local families. They sent us a lovely letter of thanks so thank you to



everyone who contributed. Well done to the children and staff in Years 5 and 6 you certainly made all of the parents and carers smile!

# <u>D'Eyncourt Christmas Fayre</u>

Don't forget our D'Eyncourt Christmas Fayre will be held on Thursday 14th December from 3:30-5:30. If you or you know anyone who would like a stall at the fayre,

tables are available for £12 or two tables for £20. Any profits that you make on the day are yours to keep.

We are also looking for some fantastic raffle prizes such as physical merchandise or vouchers for products and/or services. If you are interested, please contact either the office staff for more information. Thank you for your support with this.



Black History Month



This month, we have been celebrating Black history in school. They kicked started the month with an assembly where the children learnt about why it is important to incorporate black history into our curriculum. All year groups were given an inspirational black individual to research and find out about. Reception were tasked with finding out about Claudia Jones who was involved in Notting Hill Carnival. The children in Reception had an exciting carnival day where they had their face painted, played instruments, danced to festival music and had a special parade around school. They all loved the event and enjoyed finding out about Claudia's work.

Year 1 and 2 found out about Pablo Fanque linked with their Victorians Topic. They shared that he was born in March 1810 in Newport and was the first Black Circus owner in Britain! The children discovered that he was an equestrian performer and a tight rope stunts man. They have created some wonderful fact files about him which are really informative!

Year 3 and 4 found out lots of information about local black performer, Beverley Knights who is from Wolverhampton! The children found out about her life and work wrote some wonderful information reports about the singer!

As Year 5 and 6 are studying space in science they were given the task of researching Mae Jemison - a doctor, engineer, and NASA astronaut! The children have learnt that Mae Jemison has always reached for the stars and she was the first African American woman to travel in space. She has also written several books and appeared on many television programs including an episode of Star Trek! What is clear is that there are many important black individuals who are inspirational who we need to learn about and we have worked hard to ensure that Black History is celebrated at this time of year but also through our whole curriculum.