



# D'EYNCOURT

PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# Newsletter

Friday 26th January 2024

## Class Dojo



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

The winning classes this week were: 1/2M and 3/4C

## Attendance

The winning class last week was 3/4B with 99.3%

The winning class this week was: 5/6T with 98.4%

Well done!

## Celebrating Success Outside of School

Sehaj, Arthur, Zachary M - Football

Niall D, Mila-Rose, Zachary M, Edward A and Prabhgeet- Swimming

Kian D - Karate

Sienna C- Dance

It has been another busy fortnight in school. This week saw us raise awareness for Energy Saving Week and we ended the week with Black-out Friday which was very exciting! Leaders have been meeting with teachers to discuss the progress that children are making. These meetings happen every term and are called Pupil Progress Meetings. We discuss how we can continue to remove barriers to learning, create timely interventions to help children catch-up and to ensure we are meeting the needs of individual children. This work has taken place every term, and we can see the difference this focus makes. Some children will be coming home with letters inviting them to after school tutoring sessions in the coming weeks - these sessions have been planned to support children's learning in school and we look forward to starting these soon. If your child receives one of these letters, please encourage your child to attend.

This is a very short term being only five weeks long and we are already over half-way through the term! Please ensure that all children are making the most of every day and being in school as many days as they possibly can.



Thanks, as always for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Darby - Head teacher

## Dates for your diary

### January 2024

29th - National Storytelling week - check Class Dojo for updates!

### February 2024

5th - 9th - Children's mental health week - See Class Dojo for information

6th - Safer Internet day - activities in school

8th - Year 5/6 Greek Day - See Dojo for details

9th - Express Yourself Non-uniform day (no donation required)

9th - Break up for half term

19th - Children return to school

22nd - Y5 Digital Ambassador Training (12 pupils)

26th - 1st March - Travelling Book Fair this week

27th - Royal School Swimming Gala (more info to follow)

27th - Reception Height and weight and Dental talk

### March 2024

4th - Reception ducks and chicks arrive in school



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### Energy Saving Week

This week, we have been raising awareness for saving energy culminating in 'Blackout Friday' in support of energy saving week.

The children went all day without the use of the lights and technology where possible. The children thoroughly enjoyed walking through the pitch black corridors! It made us all realise how much we rely on the use of electricity. It also made us realise, that at times, we do not need to have the lights on during the day, as the natural light was bright enough to keep our classrooms in light. Thank you to all the children and staff for taking part, it was lots of fun and very impactful!

Also, congratulations to our four winners of our energy saving week posters.

Reception - Ariah

Year 1/2 - Sehasna

Year 3/4 - Isla-Grace

Year 5/6 - Layla M

Well done to everyone who entered - there were so many wonderful posters to choose from. Thank you everyone for your support.



### National Storytelling Week

National Storytelling Week will take place from 27th January to 4th February.

This annual event is a joyful celebration of the power of sharing stories. Don't

forget our exciting competition we have on at the moment for this week. We would like you to film yourself telling us a story. It can be a story from a book that you love or a story you have written yourself! You can dress up, act out the story, use puppets, read from the book and show us the illustrations, put on the character's voices when you read - anything to make it come to life! There are National Book Tokens as prizes for our favourite storytellers! Simply, video yourself telling the story and ask an adult to email it to:

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with the subject: Storytelling Competition. The last date for entries is 1st February and the winners will be given their prizes in assembly on the 2nd February.

### MFL update

As you may be aware, we have an exciting new MFL curriculum in school where all children from Reception to year 6 are now enjoying French lessons. In school, we follow the Language Angels scheme where the children participate in exciting lessons learning the new vocabulary. In addition to this, all children now have their own Language Angels account for them to practise their French skills at home.

Your child should have come home with a slip of paper with their username and password on it. Please use this to log your child into the app or on the website.

<https://www.languageangels.com/schools/login>

If you would like to check out our updated MFL curriculum, please visit the school website where you will be able to find the curriculum overviews for your child's year group and see what topics they are learning. Thank you for your support with this.



### Year 4 SPARKS Visitors from West Midlands

#### Fire Service

Last week, year 4 children had a special visit from the Fallings Park Fire Brigade who delivered a 'SPARKS' workshop, teaching them all about staying safe. They learnt some valuable skills about how to spot potential hazards around the home, what to do in an emergency and who to call. They were also introduced to the idea of making a fire plan and came up with some sensible ideas in school. Devising and talking to your child about a fire plan at home may sound scary but it will give them the confidence to know what to do if there is ever an emergency. This is valuable in all year groups so it may be beneficial to have this conversation with your child.

### New Menu Survey

As you are all aware, since November 2023, we have made a change to our school meals. We are keen to find out what your child's thoughts on our new catering service (ABM). Please could you spend 5 minutes with your child completing this online questionnaire? We ask that all responses are given by 9th February 2024.

<https://uk.surveymonkey.com/r/T88NZ9G>

Thank you for your support with this.



### Pizza and Pasta Special Menu

Last week, we held a special lunch on school Census Day - Pizza and Pasta lunch. Thank you to all of the children who had this special lunch on this day. Pizza is always a favourite at lunchtime at D'Eyncourt and it was lovely to see so many children enjoying their lunches together. Thank you for your support with this as always.