

Dewhurst St Mary Newsletter



Monday 10th October 2022

‘Inspiring all to Dream, Believe, Achieve’

Dates for your diaries

Parent teacher consultations Mon 17th & Thurs 20th October

Thurs 20th Oct Anti-racism day

Fri 21st Oct FOD's cake sale

Fri 11th Nov FODs 80's family disco 6-8pm

Fri 18th Nov –Children In Need spotty theme

Half term 24th -28th Oct

INSET DAY-31st October

Back to school Tuesday 1st Nov

Weds 23rd Nov - School photos

Thurs 24th Nov - FoD's Non-Uniform day

Sat 3rd & Sun 4th Dec –Winter wonderland

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper day

Weds 14th December

Last day of term Tuesday 20th Dec 1.30

OCCASIONAL DAY Weds 21st Dec

Christmas holidays 21st Dec –4th Jan 2023

Back to school Thurs 5th Jan 2023

Half term 13-17th Feb

Thurs 2nd March World Book Day

Last day Fri 31st March 1.30pm

Easter holidays 1st -16th April 2023

INSET 17th April

Back to school 18th April 2023

Bank holiday Mon 1st May

Half term 29th May-2nd June 2023

Transition day Thurs 13th July

Last day Thurs 20th July 2023

Please remember attendance is mandatory and parents should plan their holidays around the above school holiday breaks. Holidays and days out will not be authorised. Please note that even brief term time holidays can affect children in school adversely. We appreciate your understanding and thank you for supporting us in improving attendance.

‘Let your light shine’

Matthew 5:16

Our School Value; TRUST



John 14.1: Do not let your hearts be troubled.
Trust in God, trust also in me.

1 Corinthians 13. 6-7: Love does not delight in evil, but rejoices in the truth, it always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Reminder INSET DAY coming up

We have a staff training day (INSET) the day after half term on **Monday 31st October** and our occasional day is Wednesday 21st Dec. The school will be closed to pupils on both of those days.

Parent/Teacher Consultations

We have almost finished reviewing the provision and targets of our SEN (Special educational needs) pupils with parents. All other parents will receive an electronic invite later to make an online Parent/Teacher Consultation. The consultations will take place using the Video School Cloud next week on **Mon 17th and Thurs 20th Oct.** This short initial meeting is intended to be an opportunity to see how your child has settled. Parent/Carers will be invited into school in the Spring term to discuss in more detail attainment and progress and to look at their child's books. End of year reports go out in the Summer term to report on your child's progress, achievements and next steps.

Yr 2 Scooterbility training has been rearranged for this Weds 12th in the playground.

Family Assemblies 2.45pm

Friday Oct 21st Year 1 (**Next Week**)

Friday Nov 4th Year 4

Weds Nov 9th Year 5

Friday Nov 25th Year 3

Friday Dec 2nd Year 6

Reception will be busy practising for their nativity so their first family assembly will be in the Spring term. Lots of their learning in class is shared using their online learning journals

Internet Safety

Please be aware of the age restrictions of the apps the children may request from you. We have some useful information on our website: <https://dewhurst.herts.sch.uk/parents/esafety>
Please click this link to using parental controls.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/parental-controls/>

Absence

If you are reporting absence please e-mail our NEW attendance email before 9am attendance@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk this will go straight to Mrs Dove our attendance officer. If we have not heard from you we make contact to rule out a safeguarding concern. Please also remember to cancel their chosen meal before 8am.