

Dewhurst St Mary Newsletter



Monday 6th September 2020

Dates for your diaries

Over the next two weeks we will be sending you some information about the learning your child will be doing and some useful information to help the year run smoothly.

PLEASE NOTE: INSET day Friday 24th September 2021

Half term 25th -29th Oct

Last day of term Fri 17th Dec 1.30

INSET Mon 20th Dec

OCCASIONAL DAY no sch Tues 21st Dec

Christmas holidays

22nd Dec –4th Jan 2022

Back to school Weds 5th Jan 2022

Half term 14-18th Feb

Last day Fri 1st April 1.30pm

Easter holidays 4th -18th April 2022

INSET 19th April

Back to school 20th April 2022

'Inspiring all to Dream, Believe, Achieve'

Welcome Back

It has been so wonderful to see all the children back and to hear the lovely buzz of learning in each class. We loved being able to see the children mix at playtimes and having Collective Worship together was a very special moment for us all.

We shared our school values and discussed our school prayer. This half term we will be focusing on the school value of 'Trust'. This week we will be looking at 'What makes somebody trustworthy?'

Reading books

We are currently looking at assessment data and hearing children read to ensure pupils are reading appropriately pitched books. We will be issuing all pupils with a book this week with a plastic wallet to keep them in. We have invested in an online system of tracking their reading throughout the school and will be sending out details of this soon.

Some reminders...

- No nuts in lunchboxes (We do have children in our school with serious nut allergies)
- No dogs on school grounds
- Please remind children to walk their scooters and bikes across the car park when entering or leaving school for the safety of all. Please remember all bikes and scooters are left at the owner's risk.

Break times- Snack

Children in Rec, Yr1 and Yr2 have access to a free piece of fruit at morning break. However, all pupils across the school are allowed to bring in a healthy cereal bar or fruit. Please do not send in crisps or chocolate covered bars as we promote a healthy snack.

Communication

Thank you to everyone for keeping our teachers 'in the loop'. Dojo is checked just before children enter school for any messages from parents and again at the end of the school day. So, if you have a message about collection of a pupil, please inform staff in this way. We do not use Dojo when school is closed, messages that are sent later in the evening are picked up the following morning. Dojo is often used by staff to share the achievements of the children and often learning is shared on there.

If you are reporting absence please e-mail admin

admin@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk

INSET day Fri 24th Sept

Usually we put all our staff training days at the start or end of term. However, we will be holding one of our training (INSET) days in 3 weeks time. We will be developing our approach to writing and looking at ways to inspire our writers. Watch this space!

'Aim high, 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.