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Deanwood
Primary School

17th July 2026

This Week at Deanwood

The last week of term has been a very busy one! I was really proud of the KS2 Choir who performed to their friends and families on Monday afternoon. They did a great job! On Tuesday, Year 6 headed to Chessington for their special end of year trip. It sounds like they had a great time and I am told that the children were extremely well behaved. On Wednesday, the Gillingham Lions Club came in to hand out Young Citizenship Awards to two children from every class. These children had all been chosen by their classmates. Well done to the award winners! On Thursday afternoon, it was party time for all classes and, in the evening, we held the Year 6 Prom. Today, we have all said a fond farewell to our Year 6 children as they head off on their next adventure. We have also said goodbye to Mrs Down who is off to enjoy a well-deserved retirement. We will miss you, Mrs Down!



Hello From Our Principal

Last Friday, staff from Deanwood attended the THAT Awards. I am pleased to tell you that Mrs King was awarded runner up in the Primary Support Staff of the Year category. Both myself and Mrs Down received Long Service awards which was a real privilege. And finally, Miss Hand was named as Primary Teacher of the Year. This is very well deserved! I have seen so many children with fantastic achievements this week. It is great to hear all about their sporting successes outside of school. It has also been lovely seeing a number of children with some fantastic work - the progress that they have all made across the year is excellent! I would like to end by wishing you all a lovely summer break. See you on 1st September!



Attendance data

Whole School



The government's expectation is for all children to attend school at least 95% of the time. This week, our whole school data is below this expectation.

Year R



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6



Classroom Spotlight

Elm Class

Where has the time gone?!

Elm class have completed their Primary School journey and are heading off on the next part of their educational journey. Mrs Daffin and I are so proud of the effort that they all put into their performance of Peter Pan - they really were amazing!

It has been a pleasure getting to know the children over the last four terms. It has been great to watch them grow and mature in preparation for Secondary School in September.

This term, we have had some great experiences including Sports Day, the end of year production and of course our trip to Chessington on Tuesday. The children (and adults!) thoroughly enjoyed the rides and, for some, this took both courage and bravery. They should feel really proud of themselves for facing their fears! Throughout the day, the children were well behaved and modelled the expectations of Deanwood children. They were fantastic ambassadors for the school. Thank you for entrusting your children to me!

Good luck next year, Elm Class!

Safeguarding

If you are worried about a child's safety or well-being, please report your concern to our safeguarding team immediately.



Designated
Safeguarding
Lead (DSL) is
Mrs J Wright



Deputy
Designated
Safeguarding Lead
is **Mrs L Russell**



Deputy
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Important Dates

1st September Children return to school

16th October End of Term 1

2nd November Start of Term 2

18th December End of Term 2



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