

DENBY DALE FIRST & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Welcome to the final newsletter of the half term. It has been a really busy eight weeks with trips, sports activities and fun days and I think we are all ready for a break. Thank you for your support with lantern workshops, PTA and general help, listening to readers etc in school. We are always on the lookout for volunteers so please contact the school office if you think you can help. Don't forget to put the 19th November in your diary for our open day. This is a chance for friends and family to see the school in action.

Enjoy the half term and I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 6th November.

Looking Ahead in November

Monday 5th November School and Dragonflies closed
Tuesday 6th November School and Dragonflies reopens
Wednesday 7th November Y3 Road Safety Training
Tuesday 13th November Reception Balanceability
Wednesday 14th November Y3 Road Safety Training
Friday 16th November Y5 Suffrage workshop,
Children in Need Day
Monday 19th November Open Day
Wednesday 21st November Y5 Robinwood Information Evening
Thursday 29th November Reception – Y5 Flu immunisations
Friday 30th November School and Dragonflies closed

Mentions

Reception: Sienna, Ethan
Y1: Logan, Ashy, Oscar
Y2: Archie, James
Y3: Harry, Grayson
Y4: Sammy, Amelia, Laila
Y5: Adam, Max



Reading Awards



Y1: Leah
Y3: James
Y4: Sam, Amelia, Catherine, Zuzanna
Y5: Sophie

Class Assembly

Year 4 have enjoyed creating PowerPoints, Anderson shelters, interviews and descriptions for their assembly. They all thoroughly enjoyed performing their rap to the whole school and parents. We are very proud of Year 4. It was a fantastic assembly. Well done!

QUAD Kids

We had the pleasure of Shelley College staff and students coming into school on Tuesday. They worked with every class from reception to year 5, allowing the children to challenge themselves, beat last year's targets and set new ones for this year. Brilliant effort everyone, well done.

Open Day 19th November

All welcome please feel free to come look round
9.30 – 10.45 am or 1.30 – 2.45 pm.

Come and see us in action.

WW1 Centenary

This year marks 100 years since the First World War. The Royal British Legion is leading the nation in saying Thank You to all who served, sacrificed and changed our world.

As a school we would like to create 'Pebble Poppies'. Each child will be painting their own poppy at school and we will then display them in the school grounds during Remembrance week for you all to see. There will be more information about this after half term.

In order to make this possible, we need your help. Each child needs to bring a pebble to school before **Wednesday 7th November**.



DENBY DALE DRAGONS P.T.A.

Film Night

The PTA raised £210 from the night. Thank you to all who have supported and attended this event.

We send our apologies that the Peter Rabbit film was not played due to a technical error, instead we watched Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium. We hope that all the children enjoyed their night.

Also a big thank you to all the volunteers who helped on the evening.

Growth Mindset

Next half term we are focussing on Growth Mindset. We will be looking at four key areas; Resilience, Perseverance, Determination and Persistence. The first week after half term the school will focus on 'perseverance'. All staff will be looking for one child in each class that has shown perseverance and they will get a special mention in Friday's assembly and their name displayed in the hall. The following week we will focus on 'resilience' then 'determination' and finally 'persistence'. We are looking forward to recognising these strengths in our children and sharing them with you.



Light up the woods

All the children have enjoyed creating lanterns to make our dragon for "Light Up The Woods" we hope you will be able to visit Cliffe Woods on Saturday 10th November 6.00 – 8.30pm to see the finished work.