

Danegrove Primary Newsletter

Value – Co-Operation

5th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,
Welcome to the new half term! I do hope that you and your families had a lovely half term break. The children have all returned eager to continue their learning and show us how they can be 'The best that they can be!'

To support them with this it is important that children attend school every day. Our current attendance is below the Government expected percentage and this does need to improve. We are working hard with our children to promote being in school every day, including celebrating the class of the week by having Arthur, our Attendance Bear, spend the week with the winning class on Ridgeway, and having the winning class on Windsor receive the attendance trophy. Please support us by ensuring that children are in school and arrive on time.

It is an absolute pleasure walking around the school and seeing the amazing work that the children are doing appearing on corridor displays. Some of the artwork that I have seen is outstanding - it is very obvious that we have some very talented young artists amongst our children!

Last night's Spooks and Sparkles discos were a real hit, and a great evening was had by all. I am so proud of the exemplary behaviour that was exhibited by our children - they are a real credit to both you and the school.
Keep well, safe and happy - have a lovely weekend,
Miss Oliver



A big thank you to Mrs. Burling for knitting a Danegrove jumper for Arthur, our Ridgeway Avenue Attendance Bear.



Attendance – Classes of the Week

Week ending the 1st October - Congratulations go to 1EB with 96.6% on R/Ave and 3SC with 99.3% on W/D.

Week ending the 8th October – Congratulations go to 1EB with 96.6% on R/Ave and 3JC with 98.3% on W/D.

Week ending the 15th October – Congratulations go to Fox & Hedgehog both with 91.9% on R/Ave and 2LC with 98.3% on W/D.

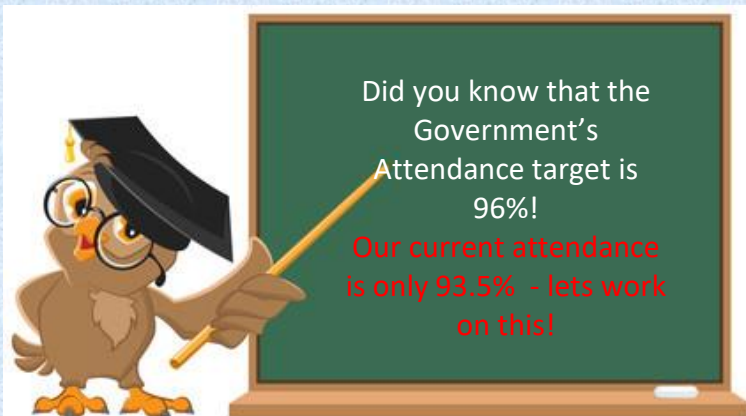
Week ending the 22nd October – Congratulations go to 1EB with 96.9% on R/Ave and 2LC with 99% on W/D.

Week ending the 5th November – Congratulations go to Hedgehog with 96.3% on R/Ave and 2LC with 99.2% on W/D.

School Value Certificates

Congratulations to the following children who have demonstrated our school values

1EB		4JJ	Jayden – Caring, Zainab - Responsibility
1IH	Gino – Independence, James - Respect	4SI	labella – Caring, Thomas - Confidence
1SG	Luke – Confidence, Taliyah - Respect	4TK	Madalina – Love, Thyerra - Appreciation
2EOM	Selina – Independence, Noah - Respect	5CB	Selma – Tolerance, Rayan - Responsibility
2GH	Ema – Responsibility, Tom - Caring	5ML	Chloe – Confidence, Libby – Unity
2LC	Sam – Unity, Ahmed - Confidence	5TS	Alexander – Love, Sylvia - Love
3FR	Annay – Love, Arvan - Independence	6JF	Rihanna – Confidence, Joel - Respect
3JC	Angela – Respect, Sebastien - Caring	6LR	Kai – Responsibility, Bora - Respect
3SC	Teddy – Independence, Ruben - Respect	6RR	



Did you know that the Government's Attendance target is 96%!

Our current attendance is only 93.5% - lets work on this!



261 children had 100% attendance this term

KEY STATS THIS

Whole School Attendance
6th September – 5th November
93.5%

118	Children arrived late to school
40	Children who arrived late for school after 9.15am (Included in the above)

Class	%
Fox	92.9
Squirrel	92.1
Hedgehog	92.5
1EB	95.1
1IH	89.1
1SG	93
2EOM	94.8
2LC	97.1
3FR	95.2
3JC	96.6
3SC	95.7
4JJ	96.2
4SI	97.4
4TK	96.6
5CB	96.2
5ML	96.5
5TS	95
6JF	95
6LR	93.8
6RR	94.9

Our focus at Danegrove is to ensure that every child has the best possible attendance. Being absent and/or late does impact children's learning and progress. **We want all our children to reach their potential – to do this they must be in school.**

We expect children to attend every day unless they have an illness that is contagious, for example sickness and/or diarrhoea, chicken pox or Covid. Children with minor ailments, such as colds, are able to attend school and we will closely monitor them. If necessary we will make a call for them to be collected if their condition worsens. The school is only able to administer prescribed medication, this can include prescribed paracetamol or ibuprofen.

32 days of learning were lost to absence for holidays
95 days were unauthorised for other reasons

We will issue a fixed penalty notice for 10 or more sessions of unauthorised absence in 8 rolling weeks

737 days have been lost to illness so far this term



The school day starts at 8.50am on W/D and 9am on R/Ave. Children may enter the classroom from 8.40am. Any child that arrives between 9-9.15am on W/D and 9.10-9.25am on R/Ave will receive a late mark (L). After these times children will receive an unauthorised absence. (U)

Celebration Certificates

Car Parking – Dropping off and picking up!

Please be aware of the zig-zag lines and our neighbours drives when parking to drop off and pick your child at school every day. We would also like to remind you not to park across neighbour's drives when dropping off for school events. Thank you for your support.

Dear Neighbours,
I would like to apologise to the residents on Ridgeway Avenue who were affected by both the volume of traffic and the cars parked across driveways last night. I do hope that our discos did not cause you, or other members of our local community, any undue stress or anxiety, Miss Oliver (Head teacher).



Cold Weather

Now the cold weather has started to rear its ugly face again, we are reminding parents to send their children in to school with a coat every morning.

Due to covid regulations, we are unfortunately having to keep windows open in the classrooms – please ensure your children come to school with layers on.

Friends of Danegrove

Invitation

You are invited to attend our relaunch of
Friends of Danegrove School

On 17th November at 2pm or 6pm in the Windsor Drive
Hall.

This will be an opportunity to meet other parents
and staff and discuss how we can raise money to help
fund various new reading areas, a new library (W/D)
and Well-being rooms across both sites.

We have a Christmas Extravaganza on the
12th December planned for all our children

Spooks and Sparkles Disco

Yesterday we held our Spooks and
Sparkles Disco, all the children who
attended had a marvellous time. A big
thank you to Mr. Forrest and Mr.
Langley for running the disco and
games for the children. Also an extra
big thank you to all the parents,
staff and governors who helped at the
disco or helped by donating cakes.

We raised a whopping £1840 towards the



Christmas - only 49 more sleeps!

We are starting to prepare for our Christmas
Extravaganza for our children. If you have any
unwanted presents that you have been given at home
please send them into the school office. If you
haven't any at home and you are passing the shops
during the half term, and you are able, please
pick up some toiletries, sweets, chocolates, toys,
candles etc.

These items will then be wrapped so that the
children can buy them and give them as gifts to
family and friends.

We try to receive as many donations as we can
every year, the more we get donated the higher the

