



Believe, Achieve, Soar with Pride

Early Years Newsletter



A note from the teachers

Welcome back!

We hope you have had a great summer and are settling back into the routine of coming to school and nursery.

This half term our topic is called “Me, myself and I” and is all about getting the children settled in to their new classroom and comfortable with their new teachers and new friends.

What we are learning this term

Our topic this half term is “Me, myself and I” and after half term, we will be doing “It’s a kind of magic”

We will be

Nursery-

- Practising our listening skills
- Practising turn taking and kind hands
- Talking about stories
- Developing our mark making

Reception-

- Learning some letter sounds
- Learning to count accurately
- Reading and writing our names
- Getting changed by ourselves in PE
- Listening and following instructions

PE

The children will soon start to take part in weekly PE sessions in the school hall. Reception children must have a PE kit in school that needs to include a pair of shorts, a T-shirt and some plimsoles. The children need to be able to dress and undress themselves. Nursery don’t need a PE kit.

Reception will do PE on Wednesdays.

Nursery will do PE on Thursdays.

Class dojo

We will be using Class Dojo to update you from time to time. We also use it as part of the school’s behaviour management system.

If you are not yet connected to Class Dojo please speak to any member of the Early Years team as we will be happy to get you started. We often post Early Years news here so it is important you are able to keep up to date.

Parent helpers

At Dean Bank we welcome parent helpers and there are many opportunities that will benefit tremendously from the input of parents, from educational trips to listening to readers.

If you would like to volunteer, could you please contact the school office, or contact Mr Wood or Miss Anderson over class dojo or email:

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Important dates

- Stay and Play Thursday 24th Oct 8.45-10.30
- Parents evening Monday 14th Oct 15.30-17.30