



Dean Bank Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter

Welcome back everyone. This first half of the summer term is a very short but very busy one. We have lots of exciting activities planned as well as our Year 6's having the chance to show off what they can do in the summer SATS.

Following Mrs Hall's appointment as the New Headteacher of Kirk Merrington Primary School, we are in the process of appointing her successor as well as a new class teacher. We will provide you with an update later in the term.

Mr Brown

Uniform

A quick reminder to parents/carers of our school uniform policy. With some warmer days on the way, children should still be wearing uniform as per the school policy i.e. no PE shorts.

- Red polo shirt
- Navy Crew Neck Sweatshirt or cardigan
- Black shoes
- Black or Dark grey trousers/shorts/skirt

School does not permit the wearing of leisurewear which may be considered revealing or displays inappropriate wording.

If children come to school not wearing school uniform parents will be contacted to bring in replacements.

Year 6 SATS

During the week of 11th – 15th May, our Year 6 pupils will be completing these tests. Pupils in Year 6 are invited to come into school from 08.15 where they will be provided with a SATS Breakfast (Mon – Thurs) to help prepare them each day for the tests. If your child does not attend, then please ensure that they are in school by 08.45 at the very latest.

We have every faith that the children are well prepared and that they will do their best. We are really proud of the hard work they have put in so far.

Now it's time to show off what they can do!

KS2 SATs ➔

Summer Reading Events

Book Fair – Date TBC

This year we are running our summer book fair a little differently. We want to be able to offer all our children a wide range of books at affordable prices. We have therefore decided to run it ourselves.

Weather permitting, we are going to be running it on the school playground, at the end of the school day. There will be a wide range of books on offer for everyone with 100% of the profits going back into school to support future events for the children. Watch this space for a confirmed date.

Summer Book'nic – Date TBC

This year we are planning on another summer book'nic at the park. We plan to run this event during Summer 2. We will provide more information once a date has been set but we know lots of you have been asking about this wonderful event!

Out of school Celebrations

At Dean Bank we relish in celebrating our pupils' achievements outside of the school. These could be sporting awards, beavers/rainbows/cubs/guides badges, dance and so much more. If you're child has an achievement to share, then please send Mr Brown a message via Class Dojo. We can then congratulate them and share their story in our Friday celebration assembly.



Congratulations to Charlotte –
Team Champion in gymnastics
&
Peaches at her latest
dance event



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Have you moved home, changed your phone number recently? Please make sure we hold the correct contact details for you or any of the emergency contacts you have given us for your child.

Wraparound Care

We are very excited that our Wraparound Care service has been so successful. School is now offering extended hours Wraparound Care for all pupils registered at our school and our introductory prices remain as below. Wraparound care will need to be booked in advance via Arbor and is payable upon booking. The booking system for both **WAC and FREE Breakfast Club** will be available from 9:00am on a Monday for the following week and will close on a Friday. **We may not be able to add any children on after this time due to staffing and ratios.**

Wraparound Breakfast Club	7:30 – 8.45am	£5.00	Entry via Breakfast Club door
	8:00am – 8:45am	£2.50	
Free Breakfast Club	8:30am – 9:00am	Free	Entry via Breakfast Club door
Afterschool Clubs	3:15pm – 4:00pm	Free	Collection from the bottom of the yard
Afterschool Wraparound Care	3:15pm – 6:00pm	Introductory Price £5.00	Collection from the school office

Summer time!

With the sun shining and summer on its way, can we please remind children to ensure that they are wearing weather appropriate uniform and clothing. The good old British weather can be unpredictable so please ensure your child has a coat with them every day.

When the sun is shining, please ensure your child has a hat, water bottle and Slip, Slap, Slop on some suncream before school!



School Website

Have you recently accessed our school website? It contains lots of information about our school inc. class newsletters, policies and information about what your child is learning in school.

One thing we noticed is that some of the photos are outdated. So, on Thursday 30th April, a photographer is coming into school to take photos and videos to update this part of our website and our promotional material. Don't worry, if you have previously expressed for your child's images not to be shared – we have already got this sorted.



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 29th April

Tuesday 6th May

Thursday 7th May

Monday 11th May

Tuesday 19th May

Thursday 21st May

Friday 22nd May

Year 6 Parents – SATS Information

Year 2 Outdoor Adventure Activities

Year 3 Trip to Durham

Year 2 – Active Ted Outdoor Adventure Activities

Dentist visit for Year 1

Year 5 visit to Ferryhill School

Year 6 SATS Test all week

Parent Reading & Craft Event

Year 1 Sports Festival

Year 3 Sports Festival

School closes for half term

School closes for half-term at 15.15 on Friday 22nd May 2026.

School will reopen at 08:45 on Monday 1st June 2026.