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3rd February 2017

Upcoming Events

- Safer Internet Day—Tuesday 7th February
- Planning Committee Hearing—8th February, 7pm in the Salon, York House
- **Pirate Day (Y1)** Thursday 9th February
- Fairytale Day (R) Thursday 9th February
- Break for half term—Friday 10th February
- Back to school—Monday 20th February
- School Nurse Fawn Class (Heights and Weights) — Wednesday 22nd February
- Wild Science Visit— Wednesday 1st March
- World Book Day—Thursday
 2nd March
- Wagamamma Trip (Fawn Class)—Friday 3rd March
- Parent Teacher Consultations—Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th March
- Mothers Day Breakfast— Friday 24th March, 9.00am

School Email

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Dear Parents and Friends,

I can not tell you how relieved and excited we are to finally have a confirmed date for the permanent site's planning application to be heard. We do need everybody to show their support in person by attending on the evening where possible—7pm, 8th February, Salon Room, York House, Twickenham. We will hopefully then be able to move on with the build and look forward to an even more exciting future!

In contrast to this exciting news, we do have some sad news in that Mr Hann will be leaving us at the end of half term. Mr Hann was integral in establishing the school and we will miss him very much.

Roe Class were excellent ambassadors for the school this week on their London Eye River Cruise. They were able to observe some of London's most famous landmarks whilst travelling along the River Thames.

Have a great weekend—see you at the meeting on the 8th!

Alison Colenso

Farewell Mr Hann

It is with great sadness that Mr Hann will be leaving at the end of the half-term to start work at a technology company on the



South Bank of London. He is very excited to work in a completely new environment with lovely views but will dearly miss all of the staff, students, and parents at Deer Park. As one of the original founding staff members of Deer Park School he will be sorely missed, but the time has come to put his newly acquired masters degree into action! Mr Hann's last day in school is **Friday 10th February.** Good luck Mr Hann!

Teaching Assistant Vacancy

We will be interviewing shortlisted candidates for our current vacancy next week and hope to be able to announce our new member of staff before half term.

How well is my child doing?



Twice a year weholdformaloccasionsforparentstodiscusstheir

child's learning and progress. Parents are of course more than welcome to check in with us at any time for a quick update. The next Parent Teacher Consultations are planned for the 14th and 15th March. We will always contact you if we have any concerns. At the end of the year you will receive a full written report of your child's learning attainment and progress.

Golden Tie



Last Friday, Eoin from Roe Class was awarded 'The Golden Tie'. Eoin takes a very dedicated approach to his learning. He is resilient and will persevere until he has completed the task set to the highest standard. Eoin has

beautiful handwriting, which he has and continues to work hard on. Eoin can be relied upon to be sensible and kind at all times. For these reasons he truly deserves to be awarded the golden tie!

Please follow us on

Eoin passes over the tie today to Jia Hao in Fawn Class who is so thoughtful to all adults and children and for coming on so well in his English speaking. Jia Hao says 'good morning' to everyone in his class and all teachers and is sure to welcome anyone new in a very friendly way. He has focused hard on listening to his teachers and through his friendly nature with others in the class he has improved his English dramatically!

E-Safety



Last week we held a parent workshop

about e-safety. E-safety is all

about knowing how to use the internet and any communication via electronic media safely and responsibly. A link to the workshop material is available <u>here.</u>

PTA NEWS

We love sharing fantastic news and this week we've got some. The much loved and well-frequented St Margarets Fair has selected Deer Park School as one of their chosen schools to support. The SMF is a not -for-profit organisation that donates a significant chunk of its revenue to selected charities and schools. In return the chosen schools help out at the fair. We are still discussing what our school will be doing, but one things for sure, we're going to need as much help as possible from parents. So save the date - 8th July, 2017. More information to follow.

Quiz Night - Friday 3rd March

This is a great chance to socialise with other Deer Park parents and have a laugh at how bad we are at quizzes. Henny has done a great job pulling this together and we would love to see as many of you there as possible. P.S. Don't worry if you're not a seasoned "quizzer".

Stokes and Moncrieff, from 7.30pm

100 Club

The winner of the January draw is Jessica Persson Conway. Congratulations!

Donations for nativity movie

Don't forget that the donation box for the nativity movie is in the foyer of the school. Any contribution is gratefully welcome!

Have a great weekend!

PTA

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'Dads Breakfast Bagels and Reading'

Have a look at the pictures following from our first ever 'Dads Breakfast Bagels and Reading' event. This event was the children's idea and the school council worked hard on all the necessary preparations. It was a huge success and we'll definitely be planning more! Don't worry mums—we haven't forgotten about you—watch this space!

Mrs Bracegirdle

'Keeping Safe' and 'Resilience'

The children have learnt all about keeping safe and are now experts on the different badges that adults wear at Deer Park School. They should be able to tell you that the Deer Park staff wear badges with a blue lanyard, visitors who are able to work with the children on their own (DBS checked) wear badges with a green lanyard and visitors who shouldn't be working with them on their own (not DBS checked) wear a red lanyard. I am very impressed with how sensible they are being and am pleased to say that they are checking the adults they work with.

This week has been all about showing resilience and climbing to the top. It is so important that they understand that the best way to learn is by making mistakes and having the resilience to try again and have another go and then to keep going until they succeed. They are very good at this and I am happy to say that I have seen many examples over the last week of children going for it!

Thank you to Aaran's mum!



Fawn Class enjoyed a really interesting visit from Aaran's mum this week and we learned all about India and Indian customs. We even tried some Bollywood dancing and Miss Mclellan was dressed in a Sari.

Singing Festival

Our Year 1 children will be taking part in the Richmond Singing Festival this summer and performing in the Rose Theatre Kingston on Tuesday 6th June. More details to follow, but we wanted to 'sing' about our continued to commitment to immersing our pupils in music!

Mathletics

Mathletics is an engaging,



supportive online learning resource which fully complements the national curriculum. We are currently trialling in school and next week we will send your child's log in details home so that you can experience it for yourselves.

Stars of the week



Mrs Woof and Mr Elk have either been on or about to go on their weekend adventures with the following children. Well done for impressing your teachers—we are all incredibly proud of you and your achievements.

Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe
23.1.17	Isobel	Georgina
30.1.17	Grace	Gabriela

Attendance

Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe
23.1.17	95.7%	96.5%
30.1.17	100%	97.7%

Well done Fawn Class—100% attendance this week!

Punctuality

We of course understand that from time to time you may be late dropping off or collecting from school. Our morning starts



promptly at **8.55am** and children can arrive from **8.40am**. The school day finishes at **3.20pm**. We are more than happy to book children in to our wrap around care outside of these times. It can be distressing for some children if they are regularly collected late. Thank you for your support with this.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend ready for a full week next week!

The Deer Park Team









Dads, bagels, coffee and books what a fabulous morning!!





























Roe Class in London!









