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## 20th January 2017

# **Upcoming Events**

- E-Safety Parent Workshop—
   23rd January, 5.00pm
- London Trip (Y1) Wednesday 1st February
- Dads, Bagels and Reading— Friday 3rd February, 8.40am
- Safer Internet Day—Tuesday
  7th February
- Planning Committee
   Hearing—8th February, 7pm
   (tbc)
- Pirate Day (Y1) Thursday9th 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

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Dear Parents and Friends,

We've had yet another action packed couple of weeks. Swimming and Yoga are well underway and the children are thoroughly enjoying these activities—what an amazing way to start each week.

We are so pleased that so many children are now attending at least one of our after school clubs. We currently offer Yoga, Choir, Football, Technology and Drama. Look out for a letter next week telling you all about what will be on offer after half term and how you can sign up.

The School Council have decided that they would like to organise an event especially for Dads and have come up with 'Dads, Breakfast Bagels and Reading'! The title speaks for itself! Please see the information later on in the newsletter - grandads/uncles etc. also very welcome!

Finally—it is of course very frustrating that the planning date has been put back again, but we are so nearly there now and we will of course update you as soon as we hear anything further.

Thank you for your continued support and I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Alison Colenso

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#### **E-Safety Workshop**



E-safety is all about knowing how to use the internet and any communication via electronic media safely and responsibly. Even though our children at Deer Park are still incredibly young most know how to operate a smartphone and independently. They may have access to online gaming via older siblings/cousins. The technology is changing and evolving every day and we all have a duty to teach the children how to stay safe—but we have to keep up! We have invited Peter Cowley (Richmond Borough's Internet Safety **Adviser**) to deliver a workshop for parents this Monday 23rd January at 5.00pm and would urge you to attend if possible.

#### Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

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Sainsbury's Active Kids is a voucher scheme run by Sainsbury's.

Nurseries, schools, Scout and Guide groups and Clubmark

-accredited sports club can redeem vouchers for sports equipment. Last year we were able to redeem the vouchers for

some tennis balls. This year—with two classes of children - we are hoping to collect even more vouchers—the box is ready in our main reception area, so please remember to pop your vouchers in when you've been to Sainsburys—thank you!

### **Golden Tie**

Last Friday, Nai from Fawn Class become the first ever pupil to be awarded 'The Golden Tie'. Nai was chosen because she joins in all activities with enthusiasm and takes turns and is kind to others. She is

always keen to extend her learning and asks very thoughtful questions to further her knowledge. She shares her learning with others and supports her friends when they are finding something difficult.



Nai hands over the tie today to Ayse in Roe Class. Ayse has made exceptional progress since she joined us in September and approaches everything with a smile and jolly attitude. She is helpful, happy and fully deserves The Golden Tie.



#### **PTA NEWS**

We've finally got the much anticipated Nativity Play movie. We've decided to send it out to everyone

and simply ask for a donation for it. There will be a box in the foyer at school, so please feel free to donate however much you



like. The sound is a bit poor in places, but at least it's good to watch. Hope you enjoy it!!

The PTA has been busy planning events for the coming months. Below you will see a list of ones in February.

#### Parent's Coffee Morning. Friday

3rd February, from 9am (after school drop-off). Come along, have a cup of coffee/tea



and a naughty pastry at Paul Richmond, 13 The Quadrant, TW9 1BP.

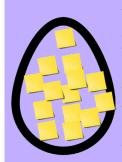
Henny (mum of Florence in Roe Class) is busy planning a **Parent's Quiz Night**. She's got a real life Quiz Master to come and put us through our paces and is just trying to secure a venue. We're aiming to have this towards the end of February.

Keep your eyes peeled for more information on dates as and when they are confirmed. If you are tempted to help out in any way, then email <a href="mailto:deerparkschoolpta@gmail.com">deerparkschoolpta@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Mrs Bracegirdle**

# 'New Beginnings' and 'It's good to be me!'

The New Year provides us all with the perfect excuse to make a fresh start and to think about what we can do to improve ourselves. The children all thought about what they were going



to do – some are going to brush their teeth more, others are going to work hard on their handwriting or learn how to tie their ties. They wrote their

decision on a post-it note and added to it the class egg—new beginnings! The children have made an excellent start to 2017!

This week we have been thinking about why 'it's good to be me'. Some of the children's reasons include: being good at football; being a good friend; being helpful after lunch or always saying 'please' and 'thank you'. The children are colouring in a section on a class trophy whenever they do something which makes them feel 'it is good to be me'! I know the trophies are going to be fully coloured in by Friday because as you know all the

children at Deer Park are very proud to be themselves and so they should be!



#### **School Uniform**

We are very proud to have the best school uniform in the world! Please make sure blazers and ties are worn every day and that if boots are worn to school a pair of plain dark shoes are worn inside. Many thanks for your support with this.

#### 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
9.1.17	Zach	Matthias
16.1.17	Jia Hao	Lisset

#### **Attendance**

Week	Fawn	Roe
9.1.17	92.1%	100%
16.1.17	95.7%	95.3%



There are lots of bugs and colds about at the moment and we continue to encourage the children to maintain excellent standards of

hygiene. If your child has been vomiting and/or has a temperature then you will need to keep them away from school – but if they have a cough or cold and are otherwise well, then please do send them in—we have plenty of tissues!

#### **Cold Weather**



We love being outside and know that this is often where

the best learning occurs. Unless it is pouring down with rain we will be getting the children out for fresh air, welly walks and fun as much as possible—so please do ensure they have a warm coat, hat, gloves and scarf in school.

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

#### The Deer Park Team





