



Deer Park School

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24th November 2017

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School Aims

We aim to nurture confident, responsible learners who know how to keep safe; and to remain significantly above borough and national averages in attainment.

Upcoming Events

- **Christmas Jumper Day**—Friday 15th December
- **St John the Divine Crib Service**—Friday 15th December
- **Nativity**—Tuesday 19th December 2.30pm
- **Staff Promise Winners**—Tuesday 19th December
- **Pantomime at Richmond Theatre**—Wednesday 20th December
- **END OF TERM**—Thursday 21st December
- **INSET DAY**—Wednesday 3rd January
- **BACK TO SCHOOL**—Thursday 4th January
- **Year 1 Swimming Starts**—Monday 8th January
- **Richmond Fire Station Visit (Marsh)** - Tuesday 16th January

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Facebook page!



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

We are hurtling towards Christmas at an alarming rate! This half term is a particularly long one and as the children will say, we'll need a lot of 'resilience' to keep our energy levels high!

I received a wonderful letter from Nick Gibb MP (Minister of State for School Standards) last week congratulating us on our outstanding achievement in the 2017 phonics screening check. With 95% of our pupils achieving or exceeding the pass mark, this placed us in the top 8 per cent of all primary schools in the country. This is a very proud moment for us as a school and one that is fully deserved.

We are now busy preparing for what should be a spectacular nativity performance! Please do keep the afternoon of Tuesday 19th December free when the children will be performing in the RACC theatre.

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend!

Alison Colenso

Please follow us on



Staff Auction of Promises

The staff at Deer Park School have come up trumps again with some fantastic promises to auction and raise funds for the PTA. Have a look at the information later on in the newsletter.

An Apology!

Mrs Colenso is very embarrassed as she credited the wrong Grace with one of the winning Bling Bling designs. Grace Blaxland in Fawn Class designed this fabulous sticker. Well done Grace!



An Enormous Thank You!

We have so much to be grateful for, but recently two parents have gone out of their way to do some special things for the school. Morgan's dad has very kindly donated some much needed PE equipment and Eoin's mum came in to launch a very 'explosive' rocket with Marsh Class. We warmly welcome parents to come in and get involved, so please do speak to your child's class teacher if you would like to.

Children in Need

We raised a phenomenal £144.44 for Children in Need through our spotty mufti day. Many thanks for all your donations.



A Polite Request

Please don't park in the RACC section of the car park at drop off (it is marked with a yellow line). We have had some complaints from the college tutors who have been unable to park. Please help us to maintain our excellent relationships with RACC.



**Get your tickets for the
Deer Park School Christmas Party,
8th December, 7pm at the Royal
Oak**

This is the PTA's first BIG, whole school, everyone invited, grown up party EVER! Tickets are £20 with ALL the money going towards food and drinks. [Click here for tickets](#)

Is adoption right for you?

Have your questions answered at the Richmond and Kingston Adoption information meeting: 10am-12 noon, Wednesday 22 November in Twickenham. The session will give you the information you need about adopting with us and what it's really like. The sessions are friendly, relaxed and are led by our specialised social workers and supported by adopters.

To book at place, please phone the Kingston and Richmond Adoption Team on 020 8547 4620.

Richmond sports centres membership offer

Join now and pay nothing until the 28 January 2018.

Offer is valid until 31 December 2017 and joining fee applies.

- 4 pools, 5 gyms and over 200 fitness classes
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- Fully staffed state of the art gyms with qualified instruction
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- Complimentary personalised programmes every 14 visits
- Regular instructor led abdominal training services

Call us on 020 3772 2999 or visit www.richmond.gov.uk/fgf_offers

Terms and conditions apply.

Mrs Bracegirdle

Remembrance Day (Thoughtfulness) and Anti Bullying (to spread HAPPINESS)

You've been spotted by Jess being an excellent role model in the playground!

Following on from remembrance Sunday the children learnt about why we wear poppies. We talked about how important it is to think about those who have fought in wars to defend our country. Also during the week, the school council set a behaviour target which involved the children having to be spotted being an excellent role model in the playground. The aim was to be spotted by every member of the school council and the prize was tea with Mrs Colenso!

This week we have been thinking about 'Anti Bullying'. It is very important for the children to understand what they should do if someone is being rude or mean to them. They know they should say to the person 'stop it, I don't like it!' And that if it continues that they should tell an adult. They have all been trying to be a 'secret' friend to each other and spread happiness this week. When they worked out who their secret friend was they had to fill in a heart with the name of the person and put it on a class chart.



Golden Tie

Last week saw Wilbur from Fawn Class proudly wearing the tie. Wilbur has been applying himself in absolutely everything in Fawn class. He works so hard from the beginning to the end of the day and challenges himself in everything that he does. He has really progressed from the beginning of the year because of this hard work. He enjoys sharing his fun ideas with the rest of the class when we are on the carpet or doing circle time and he often makes us laugh. He takes all of our behaviour targets very seriously and tries his very best to achieve them every day.

Wilbur hands the tie over to his fellow Fawn Amber today! Amber has shown such courage throughout her first weeks in Fawn Class. She has tried lots of new things and made wonderful new friends. She is thoughtful and caring and loves sharing news from her family and home life. She works hard from the beginning to the end of the day and always tries her hardest in everything that she does. Amber has keenly explored both the indoor and outdoor classroom and has immersed herself in every book that we have read so far this half term! Well done both!



Stars of the Week!



Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe	Marsh
13.11.17	96%	94%	98%
20.11.17	93%	94%	96%

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13.11.17	Miia	Aaila	Daisy
20.11.17	Alex G C	Zachary	

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

The Deer Park Team



An action-packed couple of weeks! By the way—Year 2 aren't asleep—they're practising mindfulness!



Auction of Staff Promises

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3 hours of babysitting from Mrs Colenso



An original Mr Macwilliam framed superhero portrait!



A 45 minute flight in Miss Frost's dad's light aircraft for one parent and one child!

YES REALLY!!!



A trip for 2 children with Mrs Bracegirdle to the 'Ceramics Café' in Richmond!



Mrs K's Christmas themed 9" round madeira sponge cake with buttercream filling and fondant



A home-made vegetarian curry (2 courses) for four people



**A box of homemade Christmas treats:
6 mince pies; 6 gingerbread men and 6 chocolate truffles.**



3 Jars of Vanilla Fudge!

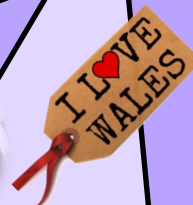
2 x 1/2 pound and 1 slightly bigger!



So how does it work?

Bidding slips will be available from Monday 4th December for you to place a 'sealed bid' for a particular promise in our 'Bidding Box'. The highest bid (to be announced following the nativity performance on Tuesday 19th December) wins! All proceeds to be donated to Deer Park PTA.

Happy bidding and Good Luck!



Box of Welsh treats to include Welsh cake, Bara Brith and sloe gin!



News from your PTA

Welcome from Katie Patton—your new PTA Chair

Firstly, a huge thank you to Jessica Persson-Conway who is stepping down as chair after 2 successful years. Jessica started the PTA, when the school opened in 2015, with just one small class of 13. I am pleased Jessica has chosen to stay on the committee and offer her help and guidance as we continue to grow. It is heartening to see how many new parents have volunteered already to help with events, alongside familiar faces.

The PTA committee will continue to strive to raise money for the school, integrate us into the community and organise social events, but the success of all of these does rely on the continuing support of all you parents. It's your PTA so let's work together to make it the best it can be.

Deer Park School Christmas Party, 8th December, 7pm at the Royal Oak

This is our first BIG, whole school, everyone invited, grown up party EVER! Tickets are £20 with ALL the money going towards food and drinks. Expect a bit of festive fun but most of all it will be good to let our hair down after a fantastic first half term and have a blooming good night out. [Click here](#)

Some BIG PTA Thank You's

Thank you to **Anastasia** for organising a very professional and tasty Deer Park popcorn stall at the Orleans Fireworks. This was a brilliant initiative and one we will certainly be repeating!

Thank you to **Corinne** for organising our first ever cake sale. It was a roaring success. Thank you to everyone who helped by baking, selling and spending.

And finally thank you to everyone who came along to the PTA AGM & a big welcome to our **NEW PTA committee** :

Chair : Katie Patton

Treasurer : Sally Prickett

Secretary : Shalma Brend



Don't forget

EasyFundraising on Black Friday and over Christmas

We are really proud of the amazing work we all do in raising funds through Easy-fundraising. As a school we have raised over **£900** in the last 2 years.

When you are spending don't forget to shop through the easyfundraising App or activate the donation on your PC.

EVENTS CALENDAR (put the dates in your diary)

Fri 8 Dec	Christmas Party, Royal Oak, TW1 3AB
Fri 15 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day (Mufty Day for PTA)
Tue 19 Dec	PTA Nativity Drinks
The PTA will host festive drinks and nibbles after the nativity play.	
And some dates for next half term.....	
Mon 22 Jan	Kids Movie Night

Have a look at our Website : www.deerparkschool.org.uk/our-PTA/

Join our Private Facebook Group : www.facebook.com/groups/1619986234993338/



DEER PARK SCHOOL PTA

INVITES YOU TO OUR

CHRISTMAS PARTY

MUSIC FOOD DRINKS

The Royal Oak

Richmond Road, TW1



Tickets £20 - Reserve using the link below

LET'S CELEBRATE

FRIDAY 8th DECEMBER 8pm

<https://deer-park-school-pta-xmas-party-2017.eventbrite.co.uk>

