



# Deer Park School

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**8th December 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
- **Bag 2 School Collection**—Monday 29th January

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

The school feels incredibly vibrant, purposeful and happy right now and that is down to the fantastic attitude of the children. Their enthusiasm is carrying us all through this long autumn term - made even more magical by experiencing the excitement of the season through their young eyes.

With less than two weeks to go until we break for the Christmas holidays there is still so much to pack in. We do hope you can join us at one or all of the events planned over the next few days—the highlight of which must be the nativity on Tuesday 19th December at 2.30pm in the RACC theatre—followed by the announcement of the staff auction of promises winners.

Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible over the next few days.

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend!

*Alison Colenso*

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## Staff Auction of Promises

The bidding slips and box are in the main reception area of the school—so don't forget to bid on one or two of the promises the staff have made—all proceeds to the PTA—so all the children will benefit!

## Pupil Questionnaire

We recently asked all the children at Deer Park a range of questions about how they view their school. The results were really interesting and useful. As well as finding out that 99% of them believe that the grown ups are good at their jobs and 95% enjoy being at school, it has also highlighted that there is a continued need to work with the children on how they stay safe on the internet. Mrs Bracegirdle has already started a sequence of new assemblies around this area and Mrs Colenso will be teaching Computing to Year 2 next half term.

## New Parent Survey

"Tis the season to be surveyed!" Bellevue Place Education Trust recently surveyed our new parents and we would like to say a big thank you for

taking part. 84% of our new parents responded and we were delighted to see how happy you are with your experience of Deer Park and how well your children are settling into their classes. We also really value your comments and suggestions on ways for us to improve.

### Highlights

100% of parents think their overall experience of Deer Park School this year has been 'excellent' or 'good' so far.

96% of families rated the frequency of communication received before their child started school to be 'excellent' or 'good'.

92% of parents rate the day-to-day communication between home and school as 'excellent' or 'good'.

84% of parents think their child has settled 'very well' into their class, with the remaining 16% thinking their child has settled in 'well'.

76% of parents think the induction process was 'very helpful'.

76% of parents said they would recommend Deer Park 10/10 'highly likely', with 16% recommending 9/10 and the remaining 8% would recommend 8/10.

64% of parents heard about us through 'word of mouth', this shows how valuable parental

opinions are.

### Comments/suggestions

#### Parents are generally very happy with the school

*"Fantastic teachers, fantastic support staff, so lucky to be part of such a wonderful school"*

*"I LOVE the school"*

*"We are extremely happy with the school"*

*"Maintain the excellent standards already set"*

*"Thank you for being so caring and supportive with the children. Very helpful and grateful".*

#### Some concerns around menu options for school lunches

*"more veggies on the school menu please"*

*"I think the school is so good at teaching them about self-care, why are we teaching them that it is OK to eat puddings every day?"*

*"Our only slight negative is the quality of the lunches provided, although I suspect this is a Borough wide contract that the school has little control over"*

#### Communication

*"More online communication with parents would be great"*

*"Communication is good but can be improved, feel like I am chasing for details i.e. flu jabs"*

*"More frequent updates on building status"*

Some parents would like more help on ways to challenge children at home.

We welcome all feedback and will use this to continually strive to be the best we can be!



## Mrs Bracegirdle

### E-Safety (thoughtfulness) and Advent (enthusiasm)

The children have all learnt some safety rules for when they go online. Firstly, they know they should always ask



an adult they trust before going online and if they ever come across anything that they don't like or makes them feel worried they should tell the adult. We also spoke about how important it is not to give any personal details when they are online. They know that if they are playing a game they should not use their real name and should check what to do with their adult. During the week the children all drew around their hands and had to write in each finger who they would speak to if they were worried at home or at school.



Now we are in December the children are opening their advent calendars and the enthusiasm for Christmas is growing.

They have been enthusiastically learning the songs for the nativity, taking part in their lessons, playing with their friends etc. Every time there were enthusiastic about something during the week they were able to fill in a section of the Christingle and write what they were enthusiastic about. It goes without saying that their enthusiasm has won all the classes GOLD!

### Golden Tie

Last week saw Matthias awarded The Golden Tie. Matthias has encompassed the HEART values of resilience, enthusiasm and achievement throughout this term. He has worked incredibly hard to be the best he can be in all that he does. His handwriting has improved immensely and he has an extremely positive attitude towards his writing. In maths, Matthias is working much more independently to ensure he is finishing his work, and getting it correct! Matthias, you are a super star and most definitely deserve to have the Golden Tie again! Keep it up! I am extremely proud by all of your progress, successes and positivity!

Matthias hands over the tie to Ynaelle today who has demonstrated the HEART values of thoughtfulness and achievement. She is a kind and caring friend and is happy to lend a helping hand. Ynaelle always thinks of others and makes sure no one is left out. She has worked very hard and demonstrated amazing achievement in her writing! Well done Ynaelle, you are certainly very deserving of being awarded The Golden Tie.



### Stars of the Week!



Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe	Marsh
27.11.17	Charlotte	Alex	Gabriel
4.12.17	Vanya	Denis	Eoin

**Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!**

**The Deer Park Team**

## Attendance

Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe	Marsh
27.11.17	93%	97%	82%
4.12.17	96%	90%	95%





## Marsh



Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November

WALT: use conjunctions  
Write sentences using the conjunctions /but/for/since/if...  
Use expanded noun phrases  
Use commas in a list  
Check words for spelling and punctuation

Once in a land far away there was a native jaguar. The monkey was looking for a friend and a brown, cheeky monkey found the best explorer. When the thought the amazing explorer could be his friend for ever and ever! The monkey was flexible he could swing for over 50 feet without falling down.

The evil jaguar stole all the food in the hole entire jungle. He stole the fruit, the vegetables! The monkey and explorer where looking for food. But then they realised the food had all gone! The brown, furry monkey looked from the biggest trees. The explorer looked from the biggest hill where could the food be? Then the monkey told the explorer that he saw a jaguar by a tree in the jungle. The jaguar was in the world! They went to the same place where they saw that the jaguar. They took all the fruit and put them on the trees again.

Then they ate a bit of the food. But it didn't make them sick. The monkey and explorer were very happy they wondered if the jaguar woken up.

22.11.17

WALT: draw and understand bar graphs

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
car	Bike	Lorry	Bus	Motorbike		
Vehicles on the road						

22.11.17

WALT: Use adjectives

The robber had a black skirt.  
The robber had a black mask.  
The robber had a red heels.  
The robber had a black bag.  
The robber had a black mask.

## Roe

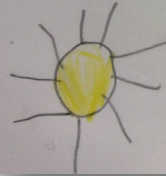


WALT - predict and investigate with hot and cold.



30.11.17 @ 5.11.17

melt  
warm  
cold



## Fawn



**SCIENCE**  
Carrying out  
'fair tests' with  
catapults and  
'egg princesses'  
in Year 2!

We are very proud  
that all the hard  
work put in to our  
handwriting and  
presentation is  
paying off! Check  
out our work!





# 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!**

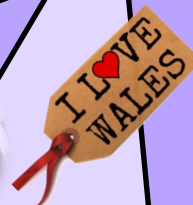
**2 x 1/2 pound and 1 slightly bigger!**



## 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



## Happy Christmas!

There are less than 2 weeks left in school—woo hoo. And it's Christmas which means there is plenty of fun to be had including the **Christmas Party, Nativity Drinks and a Christmas Jumper Day!** We're also about to launch "**bags2school**". If you are clearing out some cupboard space for all the new Christmas goodies then please bag up old clothes and shoes. Clothes are recycled and the school gets money. Bags and letters will be coming home on Monday.

## 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!

If you haven't got a ticket yet then do feel free to come along—**£20 entry**.



## Christmas Jumper Mufty Day—Fri 15 Dec

For a **voluntary £1 donation to the PTA**.

Children are invited to enter the Christmas spirit and swap uniforms for a Christmas Jumper.



*Please note : The kids will be attending church on the same day so this is "normal" non-uniform clothes with a bit of festive flare rather than "fancy dress".*

## Nativity Drinks—Tue 19 Dec

There will be festive drinks and nibbles straight after the nativity. So, please bring along some cash so you can enjoy a cup of mulled wine and a mince pie (or 2 or 3 or.....)



## Donation—Nativity Costumes

The PTA has donated **£360** to the school to buy costumes for the nativity. These will be stored and form the beginnings of the school's "costume department".



## Oooooops.....

There was a formatting error in the last newsletter and some important people were missed off the **NEW PTA committee** list—before they mutiny and leave — it should have read :

Chair : Katie Patton

Treasurer : Sally Prickett

Secretary : Shalma Brend

Ordinary Committee Members : Jessica Persson-Conway, Cathryn Kielczyk, Laura Tolley & Steph Evans

## EVENTS CALENDAR (put the dates in your diary)

<b>Fri 8 Dec</b>	<b>Christmas Party, Royal Oak, TW1 3AB</b>
<b>Fri 15 Dec</b>	<b>Christmas Jumper Day (£1 voluntary donation)</b>
<b>Tue 19 Dec</b>	<b>PTA Nativity Drinks</b>
And some dates for next half term.....	
<b>Mon 22 Jan</b>	<b>Kids Movie Night</b>
<b>Thurs 8 Feb</b>	<b>Kids Disco</b>

## WELL DONE YOU SHOPPERS!

We have broken the **£1,000** mark on Easy Fundraising.

You guys ROCK!

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

If you haven't signed up then just click the Big E!



Have a look at our Website : [www.deerparkschool.org.uk/our-PTA/](http://www.deerparkschool.org.uk/our-PTA/)

Join our Private Facebook Group : [www.facebook.com/groups/1619986234993338/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/1619986234993338/)

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Email the PTA : [deerparkschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:deerparkschoolpta@gmail.com)





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>

