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12th January 2018

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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

- **Richmond Fire Station Visit (Marsh)** - Tuesday 16th January
- **Movie Night**—Monday 22nd January
- **BPET Learning Review**—22/23 January
- **Bag 2 School Collection**—Monday 29th January
- **Handwriting Workshop for Parents of Fawn and Roe**—Wednesday 31st January
- **Pirate Day (Roe)** - Thursday 8th February
- **PTA School Disco**—Thursday 8th February
- **Last day of half term**—Friday 9th February
- **Return to school**—Monday 19th February
- **Parents Evenings**—13th and 14th March
- **Singing Festival (Choir)** - Wednesday 21st March
- **Last Day of Spring Term**—Thursday 29th March

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Happy New Year and a very warm welcome back to school and Spring Term 2018! The children (and staff) have returned with renewed energy ready to hit the ground running with their learning in this short half term.

On the 22nd and 23rd January we will be having an external 'Learning Review' conducted by colleagues from Bellevue Place Education Trust. The purpose of the review is to receive external affirmation of where we are as a school and to support school to school development. As part of this review we are looking for two parents from each class to take part in a short interview on the Tuesday morning. Please do let me know if you are willing and available that day at drop-off to help with this important aspect of school development.

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend.

Alison Colenso

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Attendance

If you've managed to escape the awful sickness bug/flu that was doing the rounds last term then you have been very lucky indeed! Unfortunately, this, alongside many requests for absence during term-time has meant that our year to date attendance figures have dropped well below national averages and are the worst across our Trust of schools.

When a child is absent from school (even for a morning) they miss out on valuable learning. Much of our curriculum is linked and builds on previous learning making it difficult for the child (and the school staff) to catch-up. Teacher time spent explaining concepts to children who have been absent means the rest of the class also miss out on their learning. It really is a huge concern.

The school council (2 pupil leaders from each class) recently met to discuss the situation. Their insights were enlightening!

"If you have a temperature, you really can't come to school."

"If you are a little bit poorly you should still come to school."

"Some children don't come to school as they are tired."

"You should go on holiday in the holidays otherwise you will miss out on work."



Cue 'BAS Bear' (Be At School Bear)

School council launched a competition to name the newest 'pupil' at Deer Park School. Welcome to BAS Bear!

BAS Bear always attends and likes to spend time in the classes with excellent attendance. Each week the school council have decided to award BAS Bear to the class with the best attendance.

We are of course sympathetic to illness and if your child has a temperature or has vomiting/diarrhoea then of course they must stay off school until feeling better.

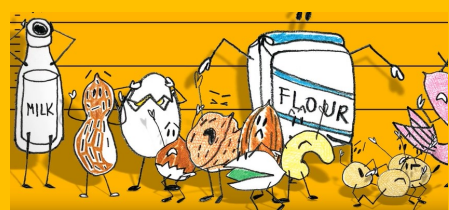


Thank you in advance for your support with this—hopefully we will see a dramatic improvement really soon.

SAAG—School Allergy Action Group

Would you like to get involved?

Please let Mrs Colenso know if you would like to be involved in the group. We are looking for one or two parents of children without allergies to help us move the school forward with our action plan and the group would meet approximately once a term.



Allergy Awareness
Respecting others and
HAPPINESS

Allergy Awareness Assembly

Next week we are starting our first of a planned series of 'Allergy Awareness' assemblies with the children. They will all take on the role of 'detective' in finding 'hidden allergens'. Please do ask your children what they have learnt. At Deer Park School our desire is to educate all in being 'allergy aware' so that our environment is safe without being over protective or unrealistic of the real world.

Attendance

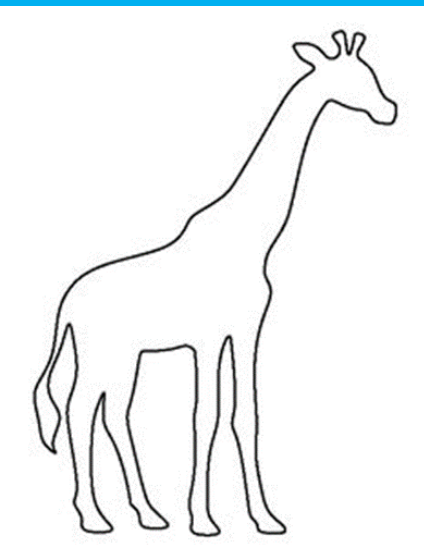
An enormous well done to Roe Class for 100% attendance last week and this week!—They have had the pleasure of the company of BAS Bear this week and he will be learning in Roe Class next week as well!

Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe	Marsh
01.01.18	91%	100%	90%
08.01.18	93%	100%	97%

Mrs Bracegirdle

Setting goals - achievement

This week in assembly the children listened to the story 'Giraffes Can't Dance', which is about Gerald the giraffe who feels sad because he can't dance like the other animals. Then one day with a little help from a cricket and a show of real resilience Gerald achieves his goal and learns to dance.



This week we have all set a goal that we would like to achieve over the year. Some of the children want to learn: how to ride a bike; how to swim better or how to write neater and earn a posh pencil. They have also thought about how they are going to try and achieve their goals. 2018 is certain to be a year of achievement at Deer Park with your very resilient and determined children.

Golden Tie

Max in Marsh Class was awarded the first Golden Tie Award of 2018 for being such a



fantastic asset to Marsh class. He is always happy and has the biggest smile on his face as well as showing total resilience when it comes to his school work. In class Max, tries his best to complete his work to the best of his ability and he enjoys challenging himself to become a master of his subjects. Max is an extremely kind and thoughtful friend who always looks out for others to ensure everyone is included and cheerful.

Max passes the tie on to Natasha in Roe Class today. Natasha has demonstrated the HEART values of thoughtfulness and resilience. Natasha is always eager to help others and really deserves the golden tie for making others happy with her kind words and actions. Natasha has shown resilience in maths, finding different strategies to help her achieve and working fantastically with others to share ideas. Well done Natasha!

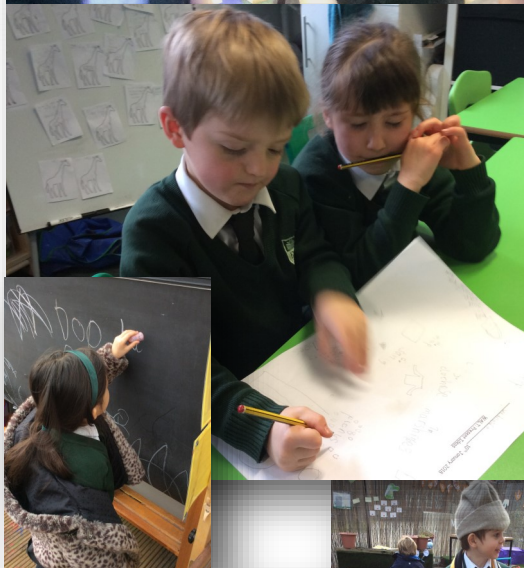
Stars of the Week!



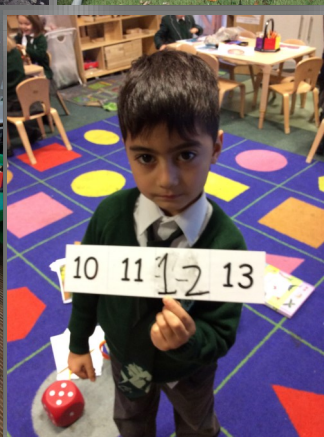
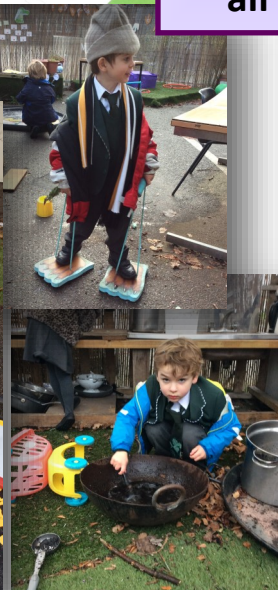
Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe	Marsh
01.01.18	Dante	Bella	Josh
08.01.18	Lily NB	Sebastian	Demir

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

The Deer Park Team



This week's learning in pictures! The pirates have returned to Roe Class; year 2 are enjoying gymnastics with Miss Frost and Fawn Class continue to amaze us with their enthusiasm in all areas of learning!





News from your PTA

Happy New Year!

We hope everyone had a lovely break and managed to fit in some rest between Christmas Parties and Mince Pies.

As you know we had an amazing first term and have already **crashed through our fundraising target** (admittedly partly due to money coming in from last years St Margaret's Fair. The next page gives some more details—AND we need a new target!!

Movie Night—22nd Jan, 3:20pm



We will be showing Monsters Inc at the next movie night. At the time of writing there were less than 10 places left so please register your child so they are not disappointed.

[CLICK HERE](#)

Once registers please don't forget to pay—either via BACS to the PTA account or cheque/cash to the school office



Bags 2 School.....29th January

Reminder that our Bag2school collection date is Monday 29th January.

This is great opportunity to get the children involved, declutter, recycle AND raise money for the school.

Bags were sent out last term but the good news is that **they will also take black bags** and you can bring in as many bags as you like!

Bags2School aim to help promote REUSE of clothes & shoes to benefit those who rely on 2nd hand clothes as their sole option for good quality items whilst raising money for charitable causes.

Check the link to see what they will take.

<http://uk.bag2school.com/what-we-collect>

**SCHOOL WILL TAKE ITEMS ON FRIDAY 26TH AT 3.20PM
or MONDAY 29TH BEFORE 9.00AM**

PTA Meeting, 15th Jan, 8pm

Our next PTA meeting is at the Royal Oak at 8pm on Monday 15th Jan. If you would like to hear more about what we are planning or have some ideas you would like to share then please come along.

Are you receiving PTA e-mails?

If you are not getting PTA emails about movie nights etc and you would like to then please register by clicking this [link](#).

PTA EVENTS CALENDAR

Mon 15 Jan, 8pm	PTA Meeting, Royal Oak
Mon 22 Jan, 3:20pm	Kids Movie Night, at school
Fri 26 & Mon 29 Jan	Bags 2 School to be returned
Thurs 8 Feb	Kids Disco, Oddfellows Hall, TW9

> £1000 raised on Easyfundraising

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!



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 Sign up to receive PTA emails : <http://eepurl.com/c6hL1n>
 Email the PTA : deerparkschoolpta@gmail.com



Autumn Term, 2017

PTA Fundraising Update

This year we would love to raise more than



have already raised
£6,000

How are we doing?



What are we raising money for?

So far Mrs C has requested funds for



A summer trip



A science day



Costumes for Plays



Living Eggs

And any special requests from the school council

Where has the money come from?



£2,350

100 Club



£1,980

2017 St Margaret's Fair



£280

Easy Fundraising



£125

Class Photos



£206

Christmas Cards



£106

Firework Popcorn



£166

Cake Sale



£645

Staff Auction

£390

Matched Giving



£317

Nativity Drinks



£177

Movie Night



£150

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