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## School Aims

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

## Upcoming Events

- **INSET day** — Monday 7th January
- **Children return to school**— Tuesday 8th January
- **Swimming Starts (Year 2)** - Monday 14th January
- **Reading Workshop (year 3)** - Tuesday 15th January, 3.30pm
- **Phonics Workshop (year 1)** - Wednesday 16th January, 5.30pm
- **Theatre Exchange Workshop (Year 3)** - Tuesday 22nd January
- **'Idling Action' Day**—Thursday 24th January
- **Science Museum Trip (Year 3)** - Tuesday 29th January
- **Class Photos** – Wednesday 6th February
- **Fire Brigade Visit (Year 2)** - Tuesday 12th February
- **Break for half term**—Friday 15th February

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

What an amazing term! There are no words to express how proud of and grateful I am to all the wonderful pupils; dedicated staff and advisers; and supportive, passionate parents. Thank you.

The last couple of weeks have been a magical time and I'm sure you will all agree that the nativity was quite frankly, exceptional. An impressive way to finish the term.

We also held our first ever Christmas Fayre which was a resounding success. Early indications (along with the staff auction of promises—winners announced further on in this newsletter) suggest that we raised approximately £2,000! This is phenomenal. Thank you for your time, donations and ideas. Our PTA is positively thriving and the children gain so much from the additional resources and we all benefit from the strong sense of community. Special thanks to Sally and Katie for coordinating.

On behalf of all the team here at Deer Park, thank you for your generous gifts and messages. We wish you the most relaxing and happy festive break and see you in the New Year!

*Alison Colenso*

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**Save the Children  
CHRISTMAS  
JUMPER DAY**

We raised an incredible **£110.70** by wearing our festive woollies last Friday! Thank you for all your donations to such a worthy cause.



## GlassDoor Project Message from Neil Summers

On behalf of all of us at St John the Divine, a very big thank you to everyone at Deer Park School for the incredibly generous response to the shoebox Christmas appeal on behalf of GlassDoor.

As you know, we are one of several local churches in the area working with GlassDoor to provide winter night shelters for homeless people in Richmond. These Christmas gifts will

be very gratefully received by the people who most need the help and support of the local community at this time of the year.

## Local Advisory Board

The Deer Park School Local Advisory Board (LAB) are looking for one additional parent to join in the New Year. Please contact James Boyle by **midday on 8th January** to express your interest.

Email: LABchair@deerparkschool.org.uk

## Punctuality

Punctuality is an important lifelong skill! At Deer Park we strive to instil the importance of excellent attendance and punctuality. To be punctual at Deer Park School pupils need to be in their classrooms for 8.55am (or any time from 8.40am onwards). At 8.55am the register is taken. Pupils that arrive after this time need to be signed in via the main office reception.

Pupils who are persistently late miss out on important learning, but can also impact negatively on the rest of the class. Please let us know if we can support you with any aspect of attendance or punctuality.



## How are performing?

Until we have children in Year 6 the statutory assessment data from the end of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS—reception); the Phonics Screen Check (year 1); and Key Stage One Reading, Writing and Maths (year 2); isn't easily found in nationally published league tables. We won't feature in them in the same way as other schools until we have seen a Year 6 class off to secondary school!

We have consistently performed well above borough and national school averages every year. The tables on the following page show our most recent attainment data.



## Posh Pencils, Bands and Pens

	Fawn	Roe	Marsh	Muntjac
Posh pencil			Sophia T Alex V	Narumi Olivia
Green band				Josh
Silver Band			Aaran	
Gold Band				Ates, Ayse
Pen				

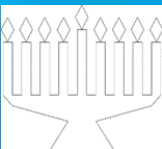
## Attendance

**Roe Class toppled Marsh Class last week and this week!**

Week	Fawn	Roe	Marsh	Muntjac
10.12.18	95.3%	98.5%	96.7%	97.5%
17.12.18	91.8%	97.4%	95.6%	95.4%

## Mrs Bracegirdle

### Hanukkah – celebrating achievements



In 165 BC, the Jews in Judea rebelled against their Syrian ruler because he insisted that all Jewish people must worship Greek Gods. After three hard years of fighting, the Jews defeated him. To celebrate, they lit an oil lamp, but they could only find enough oil to keep it burning for one night. However, a miracle occurred, and the oil lamp stayed lit for eight days, which was the time it took to make new oil for the lamp. Jews remember this day by placing eight candles in a Menorah and lighting one candle for each evening of the celebration.

As a class the children chose objectives they would like to work on together over the week. Once an objective was achieved they coloured in the light. They all did amazingly and we had lots of well-lit Menorahs and gold certificates!

### Christmas – happiness

We reflected on Christmas and what it means to us all. Also, remembering why it is such an important festival for some. The children also thought about those who are less fortunate than them. This week they have been focussing on 'giving the gift of happiness'. As you can imagine it's been a very happy week. During the party in year 3 the children were showing each other their dances, gymnastics routines and singing solos. The rest of the class were giving positive feedback and being very supportive to each other and truly spreading happiness. There has been lots of kindness across the school and the children have smashed their target for the week.



Hi! I'm BAS. (Be At School). I like to spend my days in the class with the best attendance. I'll be in Roe Class next week!



## Golden Ties!

Last week we awarded Talia in Marsh Class the golden tie.

Talia has achieved so much since joining Deer Park School. She is such a delight to teach and is always wonderfully polite to all adults and children. Talia works very hard at school and is incredibly determined and resilient within all her learning. Talia is a great friend and member of Marsh class and is always willing to help others.

Talia passes on the tie to Inaya in Fawn Class this week and the Bow Tie is being awarded to Max!

Inaya has been such a happy smiley member of Fawn class. She comes in every day and is excited to see her learning partner whoever they may be! She understands the rules of the classroom very well and tries hard to stick with them. We know that she loves writing and has been doing lots of this lately but we love that she is also challenging herself with her maths too – and it is really paying off!

Max is always polite and respectful to adults and children alike. He is thoughtful about people's feelings and always give a helping hand when other children need it. He combines this with an incredible determination to succeed. There is not a single lesson where he doesn't try his hardest and he always shows resilience when things are tough. Each day he has a wonderful infectious smile upon his face and he makes all those around him happy with his humour.

Well done to all the golden awardees!

## Stars of the Week!



Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe	Marsh	Muntjac
10.12.18	Margot	Lily	Mabel	Ben
17.12.18	Leo	Miia	Everyone!	Ayse

**Have the most wonderful festive holiday!**

**The Deer Park Team**

# Our Current Assessment Data

If you'd like to know more about the end of key stage assessments (sometimes referred to as SATs) for 7-11 year olds, please click [here](#). For information about the Phonics Screen Check please click [here](#) and for information about the Early Years Foundation Stage assessment for the Good Level of Development, please click [here](#).

## Key Stage 1

<b>READING</b>	<b>Deer Park School</b>	Richmond Average	National Average
Expected Standard	<b>91%</b>	84%	75%
Greater Depth Standard	<b>52%</b>	40%	26%

<b>WRITING</b>	<b>Deer Park School</b>	Richmond Average	National Average
Expected Standard	<b>91%</b>	77%	70%
Greater Depth Standard	<b>35%</b>	24%	16%

<b>MATHS</b>	<b>Deer Park School</b>	Richmond Average	National Average
Expected Standard	<b>91%</b>	85%	76%
Greater Depth Standard	<b>35%</b>	32%	22%

<b>RWMcombined</b>	<b>Deer Park School</b>	Richmond Average	National Average
Expected Standard	<b>91%</b>	75%	65%
Greater Depth Standard	<b>30%</b>	19%	12%

<b>Phonics Screen Check (Year 1)</b>	<b>Deer Park School</b>	Richmond Average	National Average
	<b>92%</b>	88%	82%

<b>(EYFS)</b>	<b>Deer Park School</b>	Richmond Average	National Average
Good Level of Development (GLD)	<b>93%</b>	81%	72%





# Auction of Staff Promises!

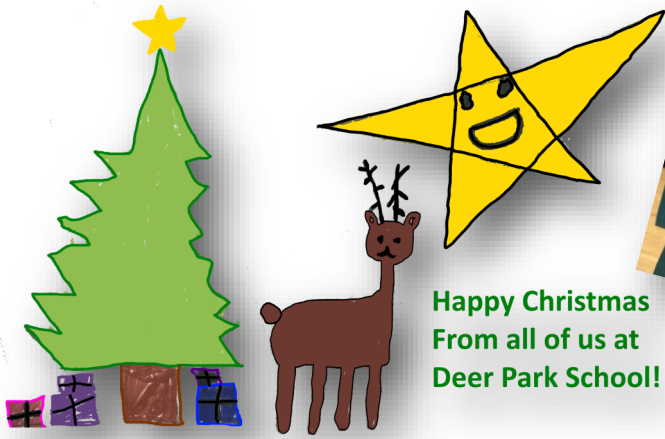
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**Total raised  
£1,129**

- 3 hours of babysitting from Mrs Colenso **Baris**
- A bike ride around Richmond Park for four children with Mrs Bracegirdle and Miss Coward **Ates (+ 3 friends)**
- Exclusive film night with Miss Ballantine and Miss Mandy (including comfy seating; personal snack table; snuggle blanket—x 4 available (winner plus a friend) **Isla May, Ayse, Tara, Isabelle C (they can each choose a friend as well)**
- An original Mr Macwilliam superhero/Disney princess (winner can commission) - signed and framed! **Demir**
- A trip to Venchi's ice cream parlour for three children with Miss Roseanna **Charlie S (+ 2 friends)**
- A home made bag with 3 handmade Christmas decorations from Miss Amy **Mrs Colenso**
- Half a day out exploring Indian culture (including snack/lunch) for two children with Mrs Khurana **Charlie S (+ a friend)**
- A hand painted (acrylic) Disney character of your choice made by Mrs Kisby **Mrs Bracegirdle**
- A box of Christmas truffles and Christmas biscuits made by Miss Mclellan **Lola**





Happy Christmas  
From all of us at  
Deer Park School!

Jumpers, lunches, nativities—it has been an incredibly exciting time for us all. We wish you all a very merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

