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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

- **Class Photos** – Wednesday 6th February
- **PTA adult social**—Thursday 7th February—The Old Ship, Richmond
- **Fire Brigade Visit (Year 2)** - Tuesday 12th February
- **Marsh Class Bake Sale**—Friday 15th February at 3.20pm
- **Break for half term**—Friday 15th February
- **Golden Hinde Trip (year 1)** - Tuesday 26th February
- **Boys football tournament (year 3)** - Tuesday 26th February
- **Wild Science**—27th February
- **Aquarium Trip (year 2)** - Thursday 28th February
- **PTA Quiz and Curry fundraiser**—6th March, details to follow
- **World Book Day**—7th March
- **Parent Consultations**—13th/14th March
- **Comic Relief**—Friday 15th March
- **Year 3 production**—Tuesday 2nd April—early evening - time tbc

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Winter is definitely upon us and it has become very cold! It has been a busy couple of weeks with time whizzing by and we are very nearly half way through the academic year.

The children have been amazing as always—their enthusiasm for learning creates a wonderful buzz as you walk around the school. Over the last couple of weeks learning has included finding out more about air pollution and why it is so bad when people idle in their cars. The children have also been introduced to the songs from the up and coming Year 3 production of 'What a Knight'. I've heard a rumour that there are auditions for this next week.

We are all looking forward to welcoming Mrs Colenso back next week. We have missed her and I know that she has missed all at Deer Park especially the wonderful children.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend! Keep warm!

Frances Bracegirdle

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Gold Award

We are very excited to have won a STARS (Sustainable Travel: Active, Responsible, Safe) Gold Award for our travel plan which promotes sustainable travel to school. At Deer Park School we are very proud that many of our pupils and staff either walk, cycle or scoot to school. We have also taken part in many activities with the children which promote sustainable travel. Last week Councillor Alexander Ehmann Deputy Leader of the council and Cabinet Member for transport, street scene and air quality presented us with our award.



handing out balloons, with an anti idling message on them, in the local area.

The children also took part in a short presentation about the issues surrounding air pollution—what it is and how it can be reduced. They learnt that idling is when motorists leave their engines on whilst parked and that this results in an increased level of localised pollution. Some year 3 children played a giant game of air pollution snakes and ladders!

We then posed for a photo with councillor Gareth Roberts (Leader of the Council) and Councillor Alexander Ehmann (Deputy leader of the Council).



BREAKFAST CLUB JOB VACANCY

We have a job vacancy on Monday to Friday 7.30—8.45am. If you are interested or know someone who might be interested please come and speak to one of us.

Please like our Facebook page!



Good news from the PTA

Parents - your pockets can relax! We've had lots of good news recently from some of the other fundraising initiatives we've been exploring.

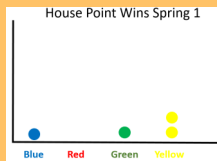
Remember we asked you to vote for Deer Park School to win money from the Aviva Community Fund before Christmas? Well, it worked! We've been awarded **£1,000**.

Thanks so much to everyone who voted and shared the link – and a huge thank you to Nicole (Amber's mum) for making the application. Some of the money has been spent on two of the activity benches in the playground. We're looking at getting some more sports equipment, too.

The fabulous "Rocket Fund" crowdfunding platform has come up trumps to provide **£250** of new science electronics equipment for the school. The PTA secured matched funding, so £125 of crowdfunding will be matched by £125 from Rocket Fund. And finally, another of the activity benches was made possible by **£395** from Rufus and the St Margaret's Property Partnership.

House points

Last week the cup went to BLUE house and this week it is YELLOW house!



	Fawn	Roe	Marsh	Muntjac
Posh pencil	Samuel Qaisar			Zaid Nathan
Green band				Narumi Olivia
Silver Band				Gabriel
Gold Band				Florence
Pen				Ates, Daisy, Alfie-Emil, Ayse

Attendance

Muntjac Class toppled Fawn Class last week and this week—it's Muntjac Class!

Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe	Marsh	Muntjac
21.01.19	96.9%	95.9%	97.4%	98.4%
28.01.19	94.2%	90.7%	93.3%	97.5%

Mrs Bracegirdle

World Religion Day

On the third Sunday of every January it is World Religion Day. This is a day when a variety of events are held around the world and people are encouraged to acknowledge the similarities that different faiths have. We have worked out that the basis of all faiths is 'to do to others what you would like done to you'.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Every class now has a recycling bin and the children are busy trying to reduce the amount of waste they create by reusing if they can e.g. drawing on the back of a piece of paper.

British Values—Respect

One of our British Values is 'Mutual Respect'. It doesn't matter who we are, where we come from or what we believe because we all should be respected and show respect each other.

The children have been showing respect for each other by: listening, taking turns, being polite, compromising and in many other ways.



Golden Ties!

Last week we awarded Astrid in Roe Class the golden tie.

Astrid always demonstrates a great attitude to her learning. Astrid loves to take on creative tasks and loves to share her wonderful ideas with her friends. Astrid is a great friend, always ready to help others and be a team player. Astrid has shown resilience in phonics, learning to work independently and have ago at new tasks by herself. Well done Astrid you really do deserve the Golden Tie!

Astrid passes on the tie to Samuel in Fawn Class this week and the Bow Tie is being awarded to James.

Samuel is a wonderful member of Fawn Class. He loves getting involved in everything that we do and is very creative with all of our activities. He approaches everything in his own individual way and is always challenging himself. Samuel always has a smile on his face and is friendly and caring towards everyone! He loves to work with others and is fantastic at listening to friends ideas. We have noticed just how far Samuel is coming on with his writing and his maths as he keeps busy throughout the day and we love the way he uses his skills to help his friends out too.

James is a delight to teach. He has embraced the Deer Park values completely. In lessons, he listens to others, shows enthusiasm and works hard. He is incredibly polite. Also he is kind to others by being a good friend and noticing others' achievements. His love of history is inspiring to others yet he still wants to know more about science and other topics. James - we are so glad you came to our school!

Well done to all the golden awardees!

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



Stars of the Week!

Week Commencing	Fawn	Roe	Marsh	Muntjac
21.01.19	Marlene	Lola	Elise	Florence
28.01.19	Lara	Tara	Aaila	Gabriel

Have a lovely weekend!

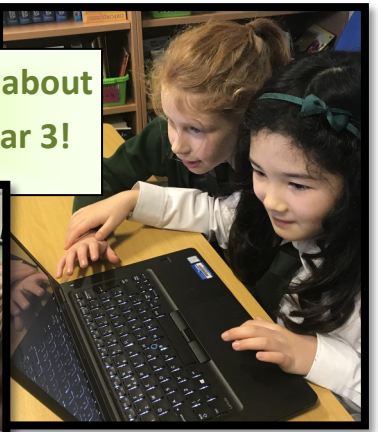
The Deer Park Team



Year 3 trip to the Science Museum

We thoroughly enjoyed our trip to the Science Museum. First we took part in the Feel the Force show, where the hilarious Explainer Dwayne, showed us how forces work and all about magnetism. It was wonderful to see how our children could enjoy the excitement and listen attentively. Afterwards, we went to Wonderlab and explored all sorts of science: slides, chair pulleys, magnetic liquid and making clouds. We had a really fabulous day.

We've been blogging about internet safety in Year 3!



Learning to count.



Air pollution snakes and ladders.



Fawn class have been investigating what happens to gingerbread men when they are put in different liquids — water, milk, vinegar, cooking oil.

Time for PE!

