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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

Upcoming Events

- **Prospective Parent Talk/Tour**—9.30am Wednesday 4th December
- **Christmas Jumper Day**—Friday 13th December
- **Pollution Solution Workshop for KS2**—Friday 13th December
- **Christmas Church Service** led by KS2—Monday 16th December—Parents welcome
- **Pantomime at Richmond Theatre**—Tuesday 17th December
- **Nativity**—Reception and Key Stage 1—18th December, 2pm
- **PTA Christmas Fair**—18th December at 3.20pm
- **Christmas Lunch**—19th December
- **Term Ends**—Friday 20th December
- **INSET DAY**—Monday 6th January
- **Children back at school**—Tuesday 7th January

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Thank you to all the children and parents for their donations for Just One Tree last week. The mufti day raised £255.13 which is amazing. We will be sending the money off and lots of trees will be planted as a result.

The nativity rehearsals are well under way. Miss Bennett led a singing assembly with year 2 and reception this week and it was lovely to see and hear all the children joining in. There are also lots of children busily learning their lines! The children have had many enrichment activities during the last two weeks: Year 4 had a brilliant workshop about Romans; Year 3 and 4 had an author visit from Colin Stuart and many of the children bought the book which he spoke about called 'Go on a Mission to Mars'; Year 2 visited the Science Museum—see the article below and year 1 had a fantastic day at Tate Modern. We also had a 'Music Day' on Friday which was resourced by our amazing PTA.

As always December promises to be busy, please check the dates so you don't miss anything.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, *Frances Bracegirdle*

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Music Day 22nd November

Music Day was a resounding success. We had our musical parent volunteers visiting all our classes and Janet (who runs the choir) working with year 4. Krupa brought in her harmonium which she showed and played to year 1 and year 2, Louise played her cello and did some activities with year 1, Emily did some singing with year 2 and Reception and Paul and Caroline did a Cuban music workshop with year 3.

"I loved learning about the different genres: jazz, opera, pop, samba, disco, techno and classical" quote from a year 3 child.

Grounds Day

Thank you so much to all our wonderful parents who came along to help on Grounds Day. The main aim for the day was to improve the Reception outdoor area. We built a bike/scooter shelter, a gravel pit, garden area, decorated the fence and jet washed the whole area. It was hard to tell what it all looked like on the day as it was dark by the time we had finished but on Monday morning it was a delight to see! The children are loving it especially the gravel pit which has diggers and hard hats to wear. This is an important learning area for our reception children and we are very thankful to all who gave

up their time as we couldn't have done it without you. I would like to say a special thank you to Toby and Katie for organising it all. Please see the photos later on.

Calling All Siblings who are due to start school in September 2020!

Please visit the [eAdmissions website](#) to apply online for your child's reception place by **15 January 2020**.

Mrs Colenso is running the London Marathon – AGAIN!

She is raising money for the charity Barnardo's - a charity that transforms the lives of the most vulnerable children across the UK through the work of their services, campaigning and research expertise.

At Deer Park we will be raising funds for Barnardo's by holding a Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 13th December. Mrs Colenso will be talking to the children about the work of Barnardo's on Monday 9th December and will return on the Friday to award a prize for the most creative jumper!

In the meantime, if you would like to sponsor Mrs Colenso directly, you can do so on her fundraising page [here](#).



Believe in children
 Barnardo's

Year 2 Science Museum trip

Review by Alex B.

At the Science Museum I felt some wood and it felt like rough bumps. At the Sci-



ence Museum I saw fabric that felt like comfy cushions. I also saw metal that was really shiny. I admired the motor-bike it looked so heavy. I

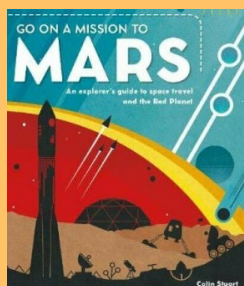
saw an immense Victorian range. There were lots of old fashioned cars and it looked like they were made out of metal because they were shiny. I really enjoyed lunch because I had a ham and cheese sandwich with lots of cucumber sticks and an orange. It was a great day!



Author Visit Review

by Demir and Tate (Year 4)

Last week, Colin Stuart came to speak about mars and space life to years 3 and 4. He told us it would take humans 7 months to travel to mars! He explained that NASA are already sending unmanned probes



there and they sent a rocket with a robot in it, it sang Happy Birthday when it got there! Colin explained about life on the International Space Station. Our favourite part was about the toilet...!

Just One Tree and Uniform

We had a great discussion is assembly about why we need trees in our world. The children were very interested and knowledgeable about oxygen and carbon dioxide.

The behaviour target was related to wearing the correct uniform. It's not quite perfect yet as there are a few ties and blazers missing but it's getting better.

How we keep ourselves safe at Deer Park.

This week we have been talking about the different ways we keep ourselves safe. We reviewed the rules on online safety and the older children clearly told the younger children about: not giving your personal details to anyone; asking an adult before going online and telling a trusted adult if you see something that makes you feel strange when you are online. We also talked about the need to be kind to our friends when we are online just as we would if we were in the playground. We discussed the different lanyards that the adults at school wear and the reasons why children are not allowed to press the button that opens the gate. To stay safe in the playground it is important the children let other children know if they are being unkind to them by saying 'Stop it, I don't like it!' and then to tell an adult if this doesn't work. Finally, they all know that it is important to treat the car park like a road which means they must look and listen when they are in it and not to run around. The classes have made posters for their classrooms to remind themselves about staying safe.

HI! I'm BAS. (Be At School). I like to spend my days in the class with the best attendance. Last week I was in Muntjac Class and next week I will be in Muntjac class again!



Golden Ties!



Winners of the golden tie are Mabel and Qaisar:

Mabel deserves the golden tie for her enthusiasm towards everything she takes part in. She always try's her best and works hard to achieve a great standard of work. Mabel is always kind and caring towards everyone in school and naturally wants makes people happy. She is a joy to have in Marsh class and I can not wait to see the fantastic work she will produce in the future.

Qaisar consistently demonstrates the Heart Values every day. You are such a role model to everyone in the class and the school in general. Qaisar Spreads happiness by always being kind without exception. Demonstrates consistent level of high achievement through hard work. He Impresses me all the time with his reading and great attitude to learning. You are a joy to teach and to have in the classroom.

Winners of the golden bow tie are Tate and Nai:

What a fantastic start to year 4! In his short time at Deer Park Tate has continually upheld all of the HEART values. He is always happy to take on a challenge, get stuck in and have a go. He has excelled in PE and shown fantastic team work, leadership and skill in lessons and sports clubs. Tate has demonstrated amazing enthusiasm in maths, always eager to take on the challenge tasks. Tate has thrown himself into life at Deer Park, has made fantastic friendships and become a fantastic role model to others. Well done Tate!

Over this term you have worked hard in every lesson. You are an enthusiastic member of class with you hand up all the time. What is particularly wonderful about you is that you always say if you do not understand or need clarification. This gives others the confidence to ask for help too. You are rounded in all subjects. It was a pleasure to hear you play piano to the whole of KS2 even though you felt nervous at first. Nai you deserve the Golden bow tie!!

Well done to all our golden awardees!

Attendance

| Week | Fawn | Bambi | Roe | Marsh | Muntjac | Sika |
|----------|------|-------|------|-------|---------|------|
| 18.11.19 | 90.7 | 93 | 92.1 | 96.7 | 97.6 | 97.3 |
| 24.11.19 | 89.3 | 91.3 | 92.8 | 96 | 98.6 | 98 |

Have a lovely weekend! The Deer Park Team.



The children made their own musical instruments in Reception



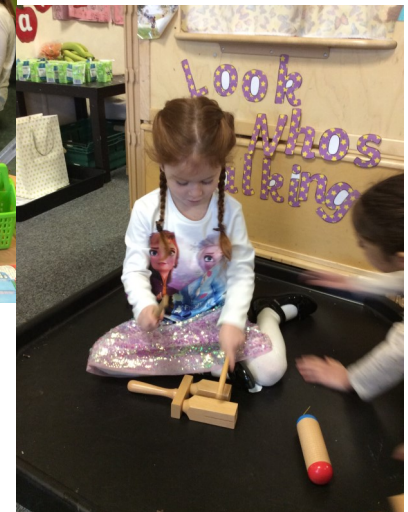
Ayona's mum brought her harmonium in and played some Indian classical music to years 1 and 2.



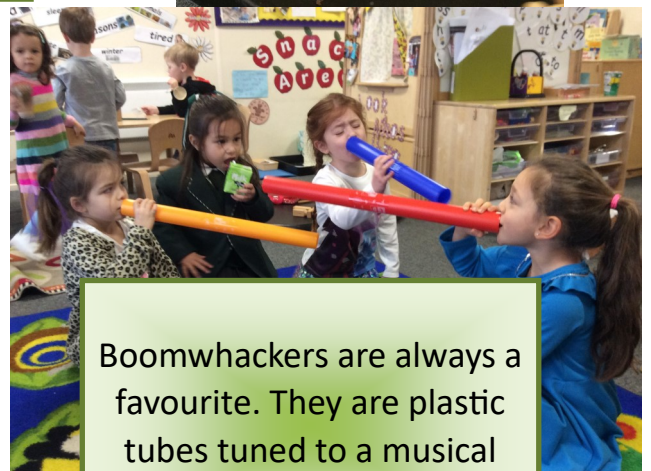
Devon's mum played her cello to year 1.



Hannah and Grace's mum worked with Reception and Year 2. They sang songs, played percussion instruments and used rhythm sticks.



Lots of children at Deer Park learn how to play musical instruments such as: violin, keyboard and cello.



Boomwhackers are always a favourite. They are plastic tubes tuned to a musical pitch through length.



Lily's mum and dad came and did a workshop with Year 3 on Cuban music. The children used percussion instruments to play along with the rhythm whist Paul played the double base and Caroline played the keyboard.



Year 4 learnt about tempo and dynamics. They also made their own opera with Janet.



Outdoor Area was revamped last Saturday by a fantastic group of parent volunteers—the children love it! Especially the gravel pit!

