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Our Vision

At Deer Park School we aim to instil a life-long love of learning through our HEART values embedded in our curriculum to ensure all our pupils become valuable members of society that we are proud of.

Our Curriculum

Deer Park School is a small, diverse community on the outskirts of London. Our curriculum is built from an understanding of this context with the consensus of the school's staff, the school community and the pupils but will always evolve to reflect our school community as we grow. Our ambitious curriculum is everything that happens from Breakfast Club through to Evening Owls and everything in between including trips and visitor for all pupils, including those with special educational needs which includes learning differences, health and physical differences, whilst at school.

This curriculum balances the development of independence and resilience with the need for support and nurturing. Thus preparing thoughtful pupils for an enthusiastic life-long love of learning that comes from the child's own happiness and desire to learn. Therefore, our pupils will achieve academically, economically and socially.

26th June 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

It has been so lovely having all your wonderful children back at school this week. There has been a really positive and happy vibe around the place. I want to thank all the parents and carers for all the hard work they have put in to support their children with home learning over the last three months. I know there must have been times when it was challenging and hard to balance all the things you have had to do but you have really done a brilliant job. The children are thriving. Here are some of their comments about returning.

- "I love seeing my friends and playing with them. I love being back at school," Elsa.
- "I always love playing outside and seeing my best friends," Yaaniv.
- "I like after school and being with my friends. I missed my friends and my teachers," Harrison.
- 'I didn't think I've ever step foot in school again and I am SO HAPPY to be back!' Buster
- Stefania, "It's really nice being back at school because we haven't been here for ages."
- Miia, "It's fun because I can see my friends and all the teachers. We get to do some fun learning."

During Lockdown Year 3 took part in a 'Bake Off' which Miss Coward and myself judged; a hard job when we weren't allowed to taste the cakes and they were all stunning. Please click [here](#) to see all the wonderful entries and who the winner was. Watch out for a quiz written by a pupil in the next newsletter!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,
Frances Bracegirdle



	15.06.2020	22.06.2020
Fawn	Dexter	Louise
Bambi	Inci	Harrison
Roe	Arabella Inaya	Felix
Marsh	Amber	Tara
Muntjac	Sophia T	Morgan
Sika	Daisy	Ahmet

A huge welcome to our new members of staff:

Sasha Oppenheimer – Year 4 class teacher – Sika Class

I am extremely excited to be joining all the wonderful staff and children Deer Park from September, after what has been a rather unusual academic year this year! I have worked in childcare & education and as a primary teacher for 8 years, with specialist interests in Music, being a classically trained singer and in Modern Foreign Languages, speaking German and gaining my dual nationality last year! I am thrilled to be taking on the role of Year 4 class teacher and look forward to welcoming all the children back in September raring to go! I can't wait to get to know all the children and their families, helping to continue the fantastic teaching and learning experience they receive at Deer Park and to personally make a positive impact on their education journey. I am also really pleased to be taking on the leadership of Music at Deer Park and I am keen to get started with it all in September. I am also going to be involved in developing the Modern Foreign Languages curriculum. I look forward to becoming a part of the school community and supporting and interacting with you all in and out of the classroom. Have a great summer and see you all in September!

Josephine Norman – Year 1 class teacher – Brocket Class

Hello, my name is Josephine Norman and I am going to be teaching in Year 1. I am the mother of two boys and have spent the last 10 years working at schools as a teaching assistant within the Richmond Borough. I am really looking forward to joining Deer Park School and teaching in an amazing school, with a wonderful team of staff and in such a nurturing and caring environment. In my spare time I love running and enjoying family life. I look forward to meeting you all in person very soon. I hope you all have a lovely summer.



Curriculum Roles and Responsibilities 2020/21

Sophie Ballantine: Maths lead and Thinking Skills.

Thinking skills encompasses philosophy for children and touches on every other subject in the curriculum. Through this the children will develop the skills they need in order to be able to think critically. They include observation, analysis, interpretation, reflection, evaluation, inference, explanation, problem solving and decision making.

Sasha Oppenheimer: Music and Modern Foreign Languages

Victoria Coward: English, History and Computing

Daena Bennett: Science

Lucy Darby: Art and Design

Owen Hunte, Daena Bennett and Lucy Darby: P.E.

Frances Bracegirdle: Geography, R.E., P.S.H.E. and R.S.E

Viviane Zanini: Design and Technology

Natalia Levene: Phonics

Reception Home Learning



Roe Class

Margot Music mapping Peter & The Wolf

PE in the field using our new equipment

Discussing how Happiness is one of our HEART values and how we feel in the classroom and at playtime at school.



Conor & Samuel having lunch outside in our bubbles





Year 3 activity this week.
It has been fantastic to
see so many children in
their bubbles!
Thank you to the PTA for
the playground
equipment.





Marsh Class



RECEPTION



We learn and share
We play and grow
We write and read together.
We do maths and make art.
Yes, we do love school.



Year 4

Reading Varjak Paw

PE - Karate and Ballet

DT - Weaving

