

DEER PARK newsletter

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HEADTEACHER'S HELLO!



It's been another fantastic fortnight at Deer Park. From sporting triumphs to scientific adventures, our students have been busy excelling in all areas. A huge well done to the cricket team who had the incredible opportunity to play alongside ex-international players. Their dedication and passion for the game truly shone through. In science, our intrepid explorers journeyed to Marwell Zoo, getting up close with amazing creatures and deepening their understanding of the natural world and conservation. Meanwhile, budding geographers delved into infrasture of Southampton with a trip to Solent University, gaining invaluable insights into the region. On the sporting front again, congratulations to our incredible athletes who have secured a place in the Hampshire Athletics finals! We are incredibly proud of their hard work and determination, and wish them all the best in the

Beyond the curriculum, the creative spirit is buzzing. Preparations are well underway for our first ever school production of Matilda. We can't wait to see the magic unfold on stage!

Furthermore, our students have been expanding their digital horizons through a collaborative project with Barton Peveril College, honing their IT skills and fostering connections across institutions.

competition.

This is just a snapshot of the many achievements within this newsletter. We are thrilled by the dedication, enthusiasm, and talent of our students and staff, and look forward to sharing more success stories with you soon.

Have a restful weekend

MR JONES

MEET MISS WHITE



Hello Deer Park Community! My name is Miss White, and I was thrilled to join the team as the new Drama teacher back in September. This year is particularly special for me as it marks both my first year at Deer Park and my first year in the teaching profession.

I am passionate about bringing creativity and enthusiasm into the classroom. I am especially excited about directing my first ever show here at Deer Park, which is also the first production in the school's history!

Outside of teaching, I love staying active. I play netball twice a week and often spend my weekends watching my family members play football and rugby. I am also an avid walker and enjoy taking trips to the mountains.

Additionally, I embrace cold water swimming throughout the year in my hometown of Poole.

I look forward to continuing to contribute to the Deer Park community and making a positive impact on our students.

YEAR 7

Team 2028 have sprung straight out of the traps into their last term of Year 7... quite literally! I am so proud to share that we have an extremely talented athletics team. Five members of the cohort teamed up and came 1st before half term in the 'track knockout' stages, out of 6 schools. This qualified them for the semi final, in which they came first last week! This placed them into the final on 26th June, good luck girls - we will be cheering you on!

Report Data 3 is also upon us; with staff continuing to praise Team 2028 for their hard work and perseverance throughout an academically challenging first year at secondary school. The reports will be with you in the near future, and I'm sure you'll join me in congratulating your child on their amazing achievements.

Kind wishes, Mrs Wilson

YEAR 8

Year 8 had an excellent trip to Marwell Zoo on 7th June. The focus of the trip was to look at conservation of endangered species, and students completed a tour of the zoo examining a variety of animals ranging from the critically endangered to some of least concern. The trip also included a workshop with Marwell Staff who gave the students a greater understanding of the work they do to protect these rare species. Well done to all of those involved, we had some great

feedback from the staff at Marwell.











YEAR 9

It's been a busy first couple of weeks back for Year 9 since the ½ term break, with Geographers taking a trip to Southampton University, cricketers enjoying some top level training, and the Music students enjoying a DJing masterclass from Alan Fitzpatrick – all fantastic experiences for the students in these groups.

Year 9 students (as well as those in Year 7 and 8) have also been working hard during rehearsals for the upcoming school production of 'Matilda!', with only a few weeks to go until the performances.

The final set of Report Data for the Year group will be making its way home with the students in the next couple of days. This includes the grades from their recent Year 9 mock exams, and a chance for you to see the progress they have made across the board throughout Year 9.

Best Wishes, Mr. Smith

ROYAL INSTITUTION COMPUTER SCIENCE MASTERCLASS

Last term a group of year 8 students – Mia C, Arabella V, Azaria D, James M, Caleb W and Owen B – attended the Royal Institution Computer Science Masterclasses at Barton Peveril college. They went every Saturday for 6 weeks and Mia and Arabella have created a video here to show what they got up to.

The masterclasses were a series of workshops which were led by experts from industry, academia and education. They offered our students indepth investigations of topics in Computer Science; combining theory with interactive exploration. We hope they inspired our students to continue their engagement with the subject.

The college also kindly donated five Grove Beginner Kits For Arduino and Deer Park's IT Club are currently learning how to program them. Watch this space!



YEAR 9 GEOGRAPHY TRIP - SOLENT UNIVERSITY

Year 9 Geographers have had the opportunity to explore sustainability and development research surrounding the future of Southampton. Students worked alongside professors and PHD students at the University of Southampton Science Park to design sustainable business models around numerous key areas of infrastructure in the city, from St Mary's stadium to Southampton Airport.

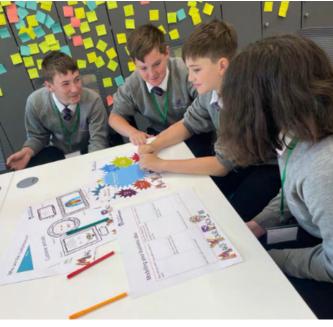
All students who attended represented the Deer Park community fabulously and have been highly complimented by the university staff for their valuable contributions and engagement!

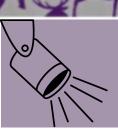
Well done Year 9, Miss Emmett and Miss Philpot











SUBJECT SPOTLIGHT: EDUCATION FOR LIFE



For the final half term of the academic year, we are revisiting the theme of 'Living in the Wider World'. This builds upon the previous units the students completed in this theme that took place in the Spring Term 1 half term.

YR 7 FINANCIAL DECISION MAKING

In this unit students will be introduced to issues relating to money. They will be encouraged to begin taking responsibility for their money and making informed and sensible choices. They will explore how to choose a bank account, how to understand their bank statement, how to budget and manage their money, reflect on their money personality and have an understanding of how much things cost.

They will explore this in greater detail in Year 9 where they will revisit budgeting as well as renting and mortgages.

YR 8 CITIZENSHIP - BRITISH VALUES

In this unit students will explore different types of government with a focus on the difference between a democracy and a dictatorship. We will look at how Parliament works in Britain, including how MPs are elected. Students will also look at how they can get their voice heard and have a say and explore the difference between violent and nonviolent protest. It will encourage them to think of how they can have a say in their local community by creating their own campaign.

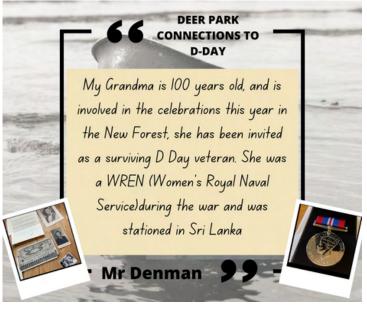
YR 9 GLOBAL CONCERNS

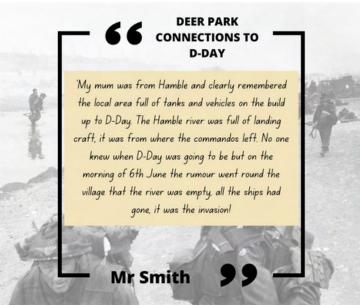
Year 9 will be exploring 9 major Global Concerns in their Education for Life lessons this half term. They will reflect on our place in the world before investigating critical issues such as the growing demand for water, the rising threat of Single Use Plastics and the issues surrounding the use of Cobalt, an element mined by many children in Low Income Countries, in modern day technologies such as smartphones and Electric Vehicles (EVs). Students will also assess the impact of the Fast Fashion industry to society and the environment, and learn how we can minimise the environmental impact of our holidays. There is a strong thread of the concept of Sustainability throughout this scheme of work.

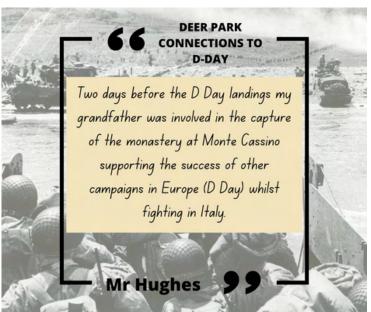
D-DAY REMEMBERED

Last week, along with the rest of the country, we commemorated the 80th anniversary of D-Day in a number of ways. All pupils across Ks3 and Ks4 engaged in a tutor session which explained the events and significance of D-Day. This session allowed our pupils the opportunity to learn more about the purpose of D-Day, but also the stories of individuals who bravely contributed to the success of Operation Overlord. Members of our school community have kindly shared family stories about our local links to D-Day, which our pupils have really enjoyed reading about. One highlight included Mr Denman's grandma who was in the Women's Royal Naval Service during WW2, having been stationed in Sri Lanka. She was awarded a medal for her contributions to the war effort, which were presented to her as a surprise at her 100th birthday party earlier this year.









DANCE TRIP - UNIVERSITY OF CHICHESTER.

On Thursday 6th June, 13 members of the year 7, 8 and 9 Dance club attended the summer showcase at the University of Chichester. Students were able to watch various different choreographies performed by students from schools around Hampshire and West Sussex. In addition, the 13 dancers were also able to contribute to the performance by performing the piece we have been rehearsing since Easter. The dancers were professional, enthusiastic and performed the piece beautifully.





NEW YORK TRIP

A reminder to send a copy of your child's passport and ESTA confirmation to school by Friday 14th June please.

SKI TRIP

Just a reminder to sign up for next Year's ski trip to Austria via ParentPay.





MATHS

It was National Numeracy Day on Wednesday 22nd May, and as always our students threw themselves into the exciting lesson activities in Maths that day. Just like last year, the dancing challenge with Strictly's Katya Jones was a firm favourite, particularly with Year 7!



Year 9 took a more sedate approach, learning about Deer Park staff experiences of Maths and creating informative posters, presentations and performances aiming to promote positivity about Maths and Numeracy. Below is one example of this from Jayana A.

NATIONAL NUMERACY DAY

WHAT IS NUMERACY?

Numeracy is the ability o understand and use maths in daily life. Whether this is at school, at work or for hobbies, numeracy is a valuable lifeskill. However it does not mean having to use complex skills, like algebra, or having to work things out quicky or in your head. It is defined by two things: having basic maths skills and feeling confident to use them

WHEN DO WE USE NUMERACY?

We use numeracy within many aspects of our lives.

Confidence with numbers can impact us financially,
professionally and can even impact our health and wellbeing.

Examples of how we use maths everyday includes:

- Working out how many minutes until our train
- · Checking we have recieved the right change
- · Increasing a recipe to serve extra guests
- Keeping and sticking to a budget



FOR MORE INFORMATION, SCAN HERE:



SOCCER AID 2024

A huge thank you to all staff and students who came into school wearing sports tops and donated their money to this years UNICEF Soccer Aid. As a school we have raised £346 so far!

Students learnt more about the work that UNICEF does to support childrens rights throughout the world in assemblies and tutor time. As a Bronze Accredited Rights Respecting Heart this work is very close to our hearts and we are proud to support UNICEF.











During Break 2 members of the RRC Focus Group organised a penalty shoot out which was a huge success! Thank you to all of those involved.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION & SPORT UPDATE

Cricket I

U15 v Brookfield Wednesday 5th June – Quarter final DP 95 all out

Brookfield 95-4 from 14 overs.

They played tremendously well against a year 10 side, with a man of the match performance from Benjamin B with his 46 not out!

Deer Park meets former international cricket legends!

Our cricket teams loved their trip to meet the Lashings World XI. They made the most of the outstanding practice facilities at Burridge Cricket club and got to ask former professionals questions following their training session.



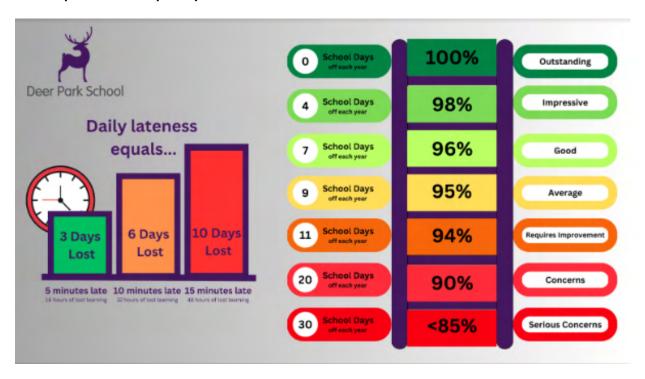
Sun Safety | Please ensure pupils apply sunscreen on their PE day to ensure safe practice occurs for outdoor lessons.

GCSE PE | Quick fire questions to support your child's learning 1 - Name two types of training

- 2 Name the principles of progressive overload (FITT)
- 3 Name four muscles in the body and identify their location

ABSENCES

Please, where possible, could you contact us before 8.30am if your child is unable to attend school. Absences can be recorded via the Insight App or by e-mailing absence@deeparksecondary.org. Alternatively please call the school on 01489 351100 and select option 1 to report your child absent.



HOLIDAY FORMS

If you need to request an authorised absence from school, for example for holidays, attending family funerals, etc Parents will now need to complete an online google form. This should make it easier for parents to complete. The link for the form is here/beauto-school/.

Lost Property

All lost property is kept in the hygiene room (next to first aid). If your child(ren) has lost anything, please ask them to collect anything that belongs to them. Thank you.



UPCOMING DATES



Date	Activity	Year Group	
Monday 17th June	Lulworth Cove Trip - Geography	Some Year 8 Students	
Tuesday 18th June	Milestones Trip - History	Some Year 7 Students	
Thursday 20th June	Dragons Den Day	Year 7	
Thursday 20th June	E-Safety PSP (virtual)	All Years	
Monday 24th June	CPD Day - no students in school	All Years	
Tuesday 25th June	English Speaking Exams	Year 9	
Wednesday 26th June	Oceanography Trip - Maths	Some Year 8 Students	
Thursday 27th June	Year 6 Induction Day	Year 6	

TERM DATES FOR THIS
ACADEMIC YEAR
PLEASE CLICK HERE TO
VIEW TERM DATES FOR
THIS ACADEMIC YEAR
(2023-2024).



POLITE REMINDER: ALL MEAL DEALS ARE £3 AND SERVED AT BREAK 2. THE DAILY LIMIT TO SPEND IS £7.50 UNLESS YOU HAVE ASKED US TO CAP THIS. HOT FOOD IS ALSO AVAILABLE AT BREAK 1. IF YOU RECIEVE THE FSM ALLOWANCE OF £3, THIS DOES NOT GET RESET FROM BREAK 1 AND IS TO BE USED ACROSS THE DAY. IF YOUR CHILD DOES FALL INTO A NEGATIVE BALANCE A RED SLIP WILL BE ISSUED AT THE OFFICE AND A PHONE CALL HOME WILL BE MADE TO ASK TO TOP UP THE ACCOUNT. WE CAN NO LONGER ALLOW PURCHASES ON OVERDRAWN ACCOUNTS. MANY THANKS.

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

Please find attached next half term's Extra Curricular timetable. Students are still welcome to join any club that they haven't already signed up to even if they have already begun

Summer Term 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break 1	Mindfulness Club (110)	IT Club (101) Birdwatching/wildlife club (007) Maths Drop-in (118) Taylor swift club (115) STEM leaders (successful applicants only) French Year 9 Drop in (105)	Get Active (SH) Year 7 Dominoes (115) Maths Drop-in (118) Science Intervention Drop in (206) Languages Club (106) Week A and B	Get Active (SH) Year 8	Choir* (tutor time) Get Active (SH) Year 9 Puzzle club (118)
Break 2	Ukulele Club (011) Psychology club Year 8/9 (108) Chess Club (115)	Eco Club (109) KS4 French Speaking (105) Week 8 only STEM leaders (successful applicants only)	Debate Club (year 8/9) Lego Club (115) Year 7 and Year 8	Drama Club (Year 7)	Games Club (115)
After School	STEM Club (204) Stem 1. Sch Temperature (194) Cricket (Sports Hall/Field) Mr Hughes (hard ball) Mr Dart (softball) Year 7/ 8/9 Dance club (Dance studio) Self Study club (LRC) NEW model makers club 3-4-pm (201) NEW Robot club (successful asplicants only) 3-4-pm (202)	Athletics PE Dept Science Football (soil a rando) Percussion ensemble (008) ***ETV Cooking Club (204)***	Multi-Rounders Miss Andrews - Field Flag Football (Astro - Solent University) Art Chub (203) Books & Biscuits (Year 8/9) 002 Week A (alternate between year 8 / year 9) Self study Club (LRC) Matida Rehearsals (Choreography - Dance Studio)	Staff meetings Self study club (LRC)	Self study club (LRC)





Ashford and St. Peter's Hospitals

When did vou last have a drink?

For clear thinking keep on drinking.





Just a 2% drop in body water can impair mental focus, concentration & performance

Studies show nearly 50% of HCP end their shift dehydrated.



Dehydration is a leading cause of daytime fatique

Do you have a headache, feel lethargic, are irritable? Is your skin dry? You are probably dehydrated.

Can we please remind all students to bring a drink to school, there are water stations available to re-fill bottles throughout the day. Bottles of water are also available to purchase during break and lunch time.

#ButFirstADrink



MONDAY 29 JULY - FRIDAY 23 AUGUST

FOOTBALL

Tuesday 30 July

5-7vrs 10am-11am

8-11vrs 10am-11am

Tuesday 6 August

12-13vrs 10am-11am

14-16yrs 10am-11am

Tuesday 13 August

5-7yrs 10am-11am

8-11yrs 10am-11am

Places Leisure Eastleigh

Tuesday 20 August

12-13yrs 10am-11am

14-16vrs 10am-11am

The Hub. Bishopstoke

Botley Recreation Ground

The Hub, Bishopstoke

SUMMER ROGRAMME

#EastleighActive2024

AGES

AERIAL HOOP

12-16yrs 4pm-4.40pm Dynamic Aerial and Pole Fitness, Eastleigh

RCHERY

Tuesday 6, 13, 20 August 8-16yrs 10.30am-11.30am

8-16yrs 11.45am-12.45pm Hardmoor Sports Ground

Thursday 8, 15, 22 August 8-16yrs 10.30am-11.30am

8-16yrs 11.45am-12.45pm Hardmoor Sports Ground

BADMINTON

Wednesdays

8-11yrs 6pm-7pm 12-16yrs 7pm-8pm Wwern College

BOCCIA

Friday (2 August) The Cricket Field, Netley Abbey

Friday (9 August) Hiltingbury Sports

Friday (16 August)

Pilands Wood Community Centre

Friday (23 August) **Botley Centre**

Families 2pm-3pm

Mondays 11-16vrs 3pm-4pm

CrossFit, Southampton, Eastleigh

DANCEACTIVE

Monday 12 & 19 August 8-14yrs 11am-12pm

The Point, Eastleigh

Tuesday 13 & 20 August 8-14vrs 11am-12pm The Point, Eastleigh

Thursday 22 & Friday 23 August 11-16yrs 10am-11am 11-16yrs 11.30am-12.30pm 11-16yrs 1.30pm-2.30pm Lakeside Country Park

FREE SWIMMING

Monday - Friday

5-16yrs 2.30pm-3.30pm Hamble Sports Complex

5-16yrs 3pm-3.45pm Places Leisure Eastleigh 5-16yrs 2pm-3pm Wildern Leisure Centre

Tuesday 30 July, 6, 13 August 5-11yrs 12pm-1pm 12-16yrs 1.30pm-2.30pm East Horton Golf Club

Thursday 1, 8, 15 August 5-11yrs 12pm-1pm 12-16yrs 1.30pm-2.30pm

East Horton Golf Club JUNIOR GYM

Fridays

11-16yrs 12.30pm-1.30pm Wildern Leisure Centre



Friday 2 August Station Road Recreation Ground

Friday 9 August Fryern Recreation Ground

Friday 16 August

Long Lane Recreation Ground

Friday 23 August **Boorley Green Grass Pitches**

(6-8yrs) 10.30am-11.30am (9-13yrs) 11.45am-12.45pm

WEIGHTLIFTING

Tuesday 30 July & 6 August 8-12yrs 4pm-5pm

13-16yrs **5pm-6pm** Lakeside Country Park Thursday 1 & 18 August

8-12yrs 4pm-5pm 13-16yrs 5pm-6pm Lakeside Country Park

NAVIGATE AND EXPLORE

Tuesday 30 July & 6 August 12-16yrs 2pm-3.30pm

Itchen Valley Country Park



SAILING

Monday 19 August Tuesday 20 August Wednesday 21 August Thursday 22 August Friday 23 August

6-10yrs 8.30am-10.30am 11-16vrs 10.30am-12.30pm

6-10vrs 1pm-3pm 11-16vrs 3pm-5pm Hamble River Sailing Club

STREET BASKETBALL Wednesday 31 July & 14 August

8-12yrs 1pm-2pm 8-12yrs 2pm-3pm

Moorgreen Basketball Courts, West End

Underdown Courts, Hamble (14 Aug)

TENNIS

Wednesdays 5-7yrs 10am-11am

8-11yrs 11am-12pm Wyvern College

Monday (5, 12, 19 August)

5-11yrs 10am-11am 12-16yrs 11am-12pm Woodhouse Lane

SKATEJAM FREE Monday 29 July

8-16yrs 12pm-4pm Freespace, Chandler's Ford





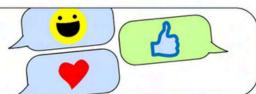


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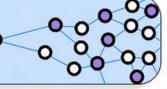
*£1 for those in receipt of qualifying benefits

8 tips to stay safe online

1 Be nice to people online.



2 Take care with what you share. o



3 Keep personal information private.



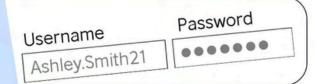
4 Check your privacy settings.



5 Know how to report posts.



6 Keep your passwords safe.



7 Never meet anyone in person you've only met online.



If you see anything online that you don't like or you find upsetting, tell someone you trust.





