De Lacy Primary Newsletter



"Working together as a community to enable all our children to develop as responsible citizens"

30th January Parent's Open Evening 3.30-6pm

DE LACY PONTEFRACT

Head's Message

The children are thoroughly enjoying their new class reading books this half-term! They are producing some high quality work and are striving to do their absolute best each and every day. Please continue to support your child by listening them to read each and every night. All of our children from Nursery to Year 6 benefit from reading to an adult. The children look forward to showing their work on **30**th **January** at Parent's open evening.

Attendance

Persistent absence is a serious problem. Much of the work children miss when they are off school is *never made up*, leaving them at a considerable disadvantage to their peers. There is clear evidence of a link between poor attendance at school and low levels of achievement. Here at De Lacy we encourage our children to come into school each and every day! If your child is unwell please phone the school office and let us know. I have, along with our attendance officer, been visiting pupils at home if we have not received a message as to why they are absent.

Punctuality

I am very pleased to announce that punctuality has **improved** since the school doors have opened at 8.40am, please aim to have your child in school and learning at this time. Any pupil who comes into school after the bell has gone will be marked as late.

House Points

Blue (Sharman) - 247 Yellow (Wilberforce) - 221 Green (Moore) - 292 Red (Ennis-Hill) - 249 Winners Green - Moore

STARS OF THE WEEK

Year 1: Logan S

Year 1/2: Jahmene K

Year 2: Cody M

Year 3: David D

Year 3/4: Casey B

Year 4: Summer R

Year 5: Megan T

Year 5/6: Kayden K

Year 6: David R



<u>Year 1</u> have been making 'missing' posters for Dogger. Have your seen him anywhere?



Attendance

Butterflies	89%
Caterpillars	90%
Y1	91%
Y1/2	88%
Y2	96%
Y3	96%
Y3/4	98%
Y4	85%
Y5	96%
Y5/6	96%
Y6	96%



Year 4

Year 4 have been exploring the concept of a statue and are creating Marquette's out of clay. We are celebrating one of the main characters from our book, Horace! We have designed a sculpture and will be working on our 'Horace's' over the next few days! We look forward to showing off our work to the rest of school!

Class Book Study

Here are photographs of our beautifully decorated doors! Can you tell which books the classes are reading?

























Winner!! Children voted for the best door and

Competition

the best door and the winner is Y6! Congratulations!

HERE'S THE IMPACT OF READING 20 MINUTES PER DAY!

A student who reads

A student who reads

A student who reads

20:00

5:00

1:00

minutes per day

minutes per day

minute per day

will be exposed to

1.8 MILLION

words per year

and scores in

90th PERCENTILE
on standardized tests

will be exposed to
282,000
words per year
and scores in
50th PERCENTILE
on standardized tests

will be exposed to

8,000
words per year
and scores in

10th PERCENTILE
on standardized tests

Author of the month

