

FRIDAY 29TH MARCH 2019

DE LACY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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



DE LACY
PONTEFRACT



HEAD OF SCHOOL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

This week has seen De Lacy have its highest daily attendance since September 2018, of 96%. This is a fantastic achievement and is something that is crucial to keep up as we progress through the school year.

Making sure your child is regularly attending school ensures that there are no gaps in their learning and allows them to make the progress required. Arriving on time for school is crucial and one of the ways we aim to support a good start to the day is through our fantastic Breakfast Club! If your child is interested in attending our Breakfast Club then please enquire at the school office.

Please also remember if your child is in Year 6, they can attend the morning breakfast booster and any siblings can attend the Breakfast Club for free!

Easter Crafternoon

On Friday 5th April, from 1.15pm, we would like to invite you to attend an afternoon of art and crafts. Classrooms will be open for parents/carers or any adults from home, who would like to come and work with their child(ren) in making some fabulous Easter crafts! Classrooms will be open and there is no obligation to stay for the full afternoon, although I am sure that once you begin your craft making, you won't want to stop! Please remember to arrive at the main reception where you will be asked to sign in.

Please note that classes will begin to tidy up at 2.45pm in order to be ready for the end of the day.

New Playground Equipment

Next week will see our fabulous Playground Leaders in Year 5, leading activities out on our school playground. These activities include: skipping, hula-hooping and bowls to name but a few. At De Lacy we aim to work collaboratively and one way we want to encourage better teamwork and communication is through how children play together at breaks and dinners. We look forward to sharing wonderful photos of our new games in next week's newsletter!

**WHOLE SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE
NATIONAL TARGET = 96%**

Butterflies: 100%

Caterpillars: 96%

Year 1: 91%

Year 1/2: 93%

Year 2: 94%

Year 3: 95%

Year 3/4: 87%

Year 4: 94%

Year 5: 93%

Year 5/6: 94%

Year 6: 97%

**DE LACY SPORTS NEWS
YEAR 5/6 TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT**



8 children from Year 6 represented De Lacy Primary School in a Tag Rugby tournament at Castleford Rugby Union Club, this week. They all played well but our player of the tournament went to Eden!

Reminder: School will be closing on Friday 5th April for two weeks,
re-opening on Tuesday 23rd April.

EYFS

As our topic is 'living things' the children in upper foundation met some chicks this week.

We spoke about what they eat and what they turn into. We had to use quiet voices so we didn't scare them.



Key Stage 1

In Maths we have been doing multiplication and multiplication word problems.

In English we have been comparing Horrid Henry and Perfect Peter. We have been looking at the use of different sentence types and using these in our writing.

We had to be very careful handling the little chicks and learnt how to care for them!

Lower Key Stage Two are studying the Iron Man by Ted Hughes.

"I've love the part where he falls down the cliff! It is very descriptive" Evie, Year 4



Lower Key Stage 2

Year 3 have been making their own race tracks and testing magnets in their science lessons. We look forward to sharing our work with you next Friday in our Easter afternoon!

Year 3/4 have used our 'Descriptosaurus' books to inspire our writing this week. We have also learnt about physical geography. We've also had a dress rehearsal for our concert next week.

This week, Year 4 have been exploring the character of the Iron Man in preparation for their fact files that they will be making next week. In Maths we have been consolidating our understanding of place value before we begin our work on decimals!

Upper Key Stage 2

Year 5:

This week Year 5 have had a very productive drama session. We focused on persuasion and developing our persuasive vocabulary and we worked as a team to produce some fantastic performances.

We have also completed some really challenging fractions, decimals and percentages problems. We have been working out discounts on every day products so be sure to ask us what the new total is if you spot any discounted items when you're out shopping!

Year 6:

In Year 6 we have been revising our weak areas in SPAG. We have focused on pronouns and verb forms.

In maths, we have been learning about algebra and solving problems using formula!

Reminder: Make sure you arrive on time for morning boosters and that you are aware of when your after-school booster is too!

DE LACY PRIMARY'S

STARS OF THE WEEK

Year 1: Lilly-Mae

Year 1/2: Summer

Year 2: Eveya

Year 3: Ollie

Year 3/4: Elsie

Year 4: Charlie

Year 5: Alex

Year 5/6: Owen

Year 6: Grace P