



DEANSFIELD
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year 2 News

Summer Term

April 2026

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to the Summer Term. Here is an overview of what we will be covering this term.

Literacy: We will be starting the term with a real focus on presentation, including handwriting and layout. This will be our focus throughout the term as well as spelling, punctuation and grammar. This half term, we will be immersing ourselves into the world of poetry by looking at a poem called 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright. After, we will be using an animation as a stimulus for our writing, where we will be writing a re-tell of the story. At the end of the half term, we will be writing about real-events and looking closely at the lives of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole to link with our History topic.

Maths: This term, we will begin our learning of mass, capacity and temperature and will be moving onto fractions. Towards the end of the half term we will be looking at time. It would be great if the children could practise reading an analogue clock in preparation for this. Next, we will have a strong focus on the conceptual understanding of numbers and will therefore be working hard on our knowledge of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; their relationship and using inverse operations to solve problems. We will also be applying our knowledge of all four operations in different contexts. We will include lots of related problem solving and setting the work to real-life contexts including interpreting statistics.

Science: This term, we will be learning about Living things and their Habitats. We will identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited, describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other. In addition, children will identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats and describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain. We have a trip booked to Tump 53 a nature reserve towards the end of June to support our learning. This topic links well with our **DT** sequence of learning, where children will be designing and creating a suitable product that attracts more woodland creatures into our environment.

History: During this term our history topic will be focused around two significant figures in history: Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. We will explore the impact that they have on the Britain that we live in today. We have a Florence Nightingale drama workshop booked for Monday 20th April and a Mary Seacole drama workshop booked for Tuesday 5th May to support our knowledge and understanding within this topic.

Art: We will use our knowledge of Maritime Greenwich to inform our **Art** this term. Children will be introduced to a range of media through observational drawing. We will delve deeper into London and the River Thames in **Geography** and compare this to the River Nile.

RE: Our focus throughout the Summer term is Islam. We will be learning about the Five Pillars of Islam, worship and prayer and the importance of the Qu'ran.



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PE: Over the term, we will be preparing for Sports Day, where children will be practising their Athletic skills based on the kind of games and races that will be involved in. It is also a good opportunity for children to learn how to work well as a team and to encourage each other to do well. Summer Term, PE days for both classes will usually either be on a Wednesday or a Thursday. Please ensure your child's kit is in at the start of the week.

Home Learning: Please continue to read daily with your child and discuss their books with them. We will continue to send home spellings, reading and Maths homework each week. Sometimes the maths homework will be on My Maths or it may be a sheet in their homework book. We appreciate your support in helping your child complete these and learning their x2, x5 and x10 tables as a minimum. Please also encourage your child to use these to support them with division facts. Use Times Tables Rock Stars to support them with this.

School Trips and Workshops: We continue to be committed to offering a variety of school trips to enrich the curriculum we offer children here at Deansfield. As well as increasing children's self-esteem and confidence, trips are hugely successful when they are part of our long-term curriculum planning and have clear links to the classroom. As you know, we introduced a 'pay as you go' method. Your prompt payment via MCAS is very much appreciated.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Miss Allen and Mr Oakley - Year 2 teachers.