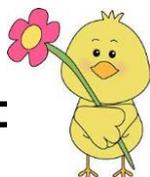


Message from Mrs Louden

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely half term and managed to do something nice. It was lovely to finally enjoy some Spring-like weather and spend some time outdoors! The second half of the Spring term consists of lots of wonderful events, such as Pancake Day, World Book Day and Red Nose Day. Keep an eye on your child's class Twitter page for a glimpse of what they have been getting up to.



Dates for the Diary

- Shrove Tuesday - 1st March
- Virtual Author Visit - 2nd March
- World Book Day - 3rd March
- Y5 Bikeability – W/C 7th March
- Y6 SATS meeting – 7th March
- International Women's Day – 8th March
- PTA Mother's Day event – 11th March
- Class Photographs - 17th March.
- Red Nose Day - 18th March
- Easter Egg Competition – 6th April
- Consultation Evenings - 6th and 7th April

Spring 2 Topic

Our Spring 2 topic is, 'Almighty America'. During this topic the children will be identifying the largest urban areas in North America and comparing one of these regions with a rural area in the USA. They will also be looking at how tourism can have a negative effect on the environment, and will be identifying key rivers and mountains within the Americas and how they are formed. Please see the UKS2 curriculum booklet for more information about what we will be learning across the curriculum this half term.



UKS2 Email Address

Please do not hesitate to contact me via email (uks2lead@daneroyd.com) with any queries you have. This email address provides a quick way to get in touch with myself so that any enquiries can be dealt with promptly.

Well being

Imagine 3 months from now.



Try drawing or writing what could look different, what challenges you will have faced and what positive changes you want to make

Try to focus on things that seem possible to achieve like feeling more confident about an exam, starting a new hobby or making a new friend.

If it's hard to think that far ahead, you could start by imagining next week or next month.

Twitter

Each class has its own Twitter account. We use the class accounts to share news about what the children have been up to. We try to update these as regularly as possible, so make sure you follow your child's class to see all their exciting learning.

@DaneRoydY5
@DaneRoydY5_6
@DaneRoydY6



Notes for parents

- If you would like your child to have milk, please follow the link to order. www.freshpastures.co.uk
- Please order your child's lunch via Hungry Minds prior to coming to school. <https://www.feedinghungryminds.co.uk/>
- A reminder that reading books and reading records are to be returned to school every Tuesday and new ones will be issued every Friday.
- As the weather is still cold, winter P.E. kits should still be being worn (black jogging bottoms and black jacket) and children need to bring a coat to school every day.
- Please ensure that all items of clothing are named. We have a growing collection of unnamed lost property in our UKS2 area!

World Book Week at Dane Royd!

To celebrate our love of reading at Dane Royd, on World Book Day, the children and staff were invited to dress up as their favourite book character. Throughout the day, the children learnt about an author and completed tasks and activities linked to their authors books. Everyone looked fantastic in their costumes!

As part of our focus on reading for pleasure, we had a virtual visit from the author Lou Treleavan on Wednesday 2nd March. In UKS2, the children listened to the author read an extract from her book, 'Turns out I'm an Alien', and went on to plan their own stories where the main character finds out something unusual about themselves.

We were also thrilled to be able to order lots of new books for the children to enjoy reading. These arrived during World Book Week, and it is exciting to see our classroom libraries transforming into a wonderful place to visit and choose a book from!



Pancake Day

On Tuesday 1st March, the children took part in the tasting of pancakes. The children discussed Pancake Day in class and looked at the process of making a pancake. They then went in groups for some pancake making fun in the kitchen!



Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Team consists of Miss Kelly, Mrs Kendall and Mrs Hemingway. Our Mental Health Lead is Miss Bottom. If you have any concerns about a child or family, please speak to one of these staff members. They can be contacted via the main school office on 01924 242917 or by email, to headteacher@daneroyd.wakefield.sch.uk (Please mark FAO: DSL/Safeguarding Concern).

