



DANE ROYD SCHOOL

September 2022 – Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome back!

The beginning of a new academic year is always a lovely time in school. It is a time for making new relationships, setting new goals and targets and looking ahead to all of the the exciting opportunities and experiences in the coming year.

We are proud of the curriculum at Dane Royd, and we feel it is important to share the inspirational learning that happens in school to enable the learning and conversations to continue at home. We will continue to communicate such information through our Curriculum newsletters, Key Stage newsletters, curriculum documents, twitter and via the school website. Please follow your child's class twitter page to see all of the learning happening in school.

Class twitter pages:

- @Dane RoydSchool
- @Dane RoydNursery
- @DaneRoydUFS
- @DaneRoydY1
- @DaneRoydY1_2
- @DaneRoydY2
- @DaneRoydY3
- @DaneRoydY3_4
- @DaneRoydY4
- @DaneRoydY5
- @DaneRoyd5_6
- @DaneRoydY6
- @DaneRoydWrap



Class Assemblies

All class assemblies take place in the school hall on a Wednesday morning at 9am.

21 st September	Class 6W
28 th September	Class 4H
5 th October	Class 1/2M
12 th October	Class 5G/L
19 th October	Class 1H

9 th November	Class 3/4S
16 th November	Class 2T
23 rd November	Class 5/6L
30 th November	Class 3P

Curriculum Days

This half term is full of specific curriculum events which will be celebrated across school. Please see an outline of key dates below.

13th September - The Secret Garden Pantomime in school

13th September - Roald Dahl Day

5th October - return of Cauliflower Card deadline

14th October - 'Krispy Kreme' PTA sale

2nd November - Autumn Disco

25th November - Autumn/Christmas PTA Fayre

N.B further information to follow in separate letters where relevant to the above events.

Year 6 parents, please note: the deadline for Secondary school applications is **October 31st 2022**.

If you have any questions, or need support, please speak to your child's class teacher or admissions at Wakefield Council:

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/schools/admissions>

Autumn 1 Topics

Nursery	Marvellous Me! Similarities and differences Emotions and feelings Likes and dislikes Our families Likes and dislikes
Upper Foundation	Special Me, Special You! What is special about us and our family What makes Wakefield special Likes and dislikes
Key Stage 1	Wheels and Wings Transport through the ages and comparing similarities and differences over time.
Lower Key Stage 2	Under the Canopy! Understanding the seasonal changes and human and physical geographical features of the world's rainforests and the importance of rainforests and their purpose(s) within our world. Understanding the water cycle and its global impact.
Upper Key Stage 2	Anglo-Saxons Understanding how and why the Scot and Anglo-Saxons invaded Britain and how they influenced Britain.

Remember to keep an eye out this week for Curriculum documents specific to your child's class with further information.

Curriculum Meetings

Every Autumn, we like to invite parents into school to meet the teacher who will share information about the year ahead for your child's class, year group and key stage. These sessions aim to cover some of the most frequently asked questions about the curriculum, and there will be time at the end of the sessions for parents to speak to your child's class teacher should you have any additional questions. Parents have previously said they have found these sessions useful in understanding the standard and expectations for their child's age group and the different elements which will be taught across the academic year. There is an expectation that parents do try to attend these sessions as valuable information about the year ahead is shared.

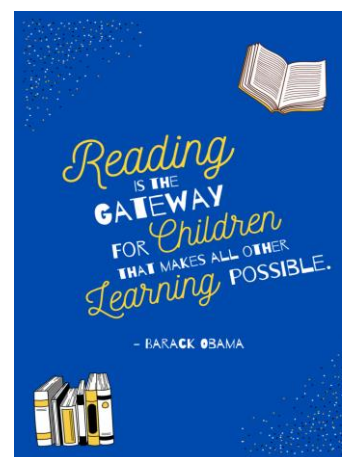
Monday 26 th September @ 6pm	Upper Key Stage 2
Tuesday 27 th September @ 6pm	Key Stage 1
Wednesday 28 th September @ 6pm	Lower Key Stage 2
Tuesday 4 th October @ 6pm	Upper Foundation Stage

We are a Reading School!

Last academic year, we invested heavily in purchasing beautiful new books for children across school. This year, our plans will continue to promote the love of reading as we know the importance and impact this can have for our children across all areas of the curriculum.

One of our first exciting projects will be in the introduction of our 'Reading Swap Shop' Sheds. This will be populated with books for children to take home and read for pleasure.

Mrs Louden, our Reading Leader, will be communicating our exciting plans in Further detailing the coming weeks.



Dates for your Diary

Information regarding assessments for all year groups will be discussed in more detail at the Curriculum meetings and in further written correspondence later in the year. However, for certain assessments, the Standards and Testing agency, (STA) dictate when key year groups have to sit them nationally. We therefore ask for parents to be mindful of these dates, if they apply to your child's year group, to ensure children attend school on these key dates. Thankyou for your support in this.

Key Stage 1

Phonics screening check Year 1 children and Year 2 children who need to resit	Week commencing Monday 12 th June 2023
Year 2 Statutory Assessments	Weeks commencing Monday 15 th and the 22 nd May 2023

Key Stage 2

Year 4 Multiplication Check	Week commencing Monday 5 th June 2023
Year 6 Statutory Assessments	Week commencing Monday 8 th May 2023