



Denmead Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As ever, lots of good news to share. The PTA Summer Fair total has been checked and double checked and we can share that it raised £2320.79 for our school – an extraordinary amount! A massive thanks, once again, to all the organisers from both the infant and junior schools, who worked together tirelessly to put on a tremendous community event, enjoyed by all ... the money will come in handy too! Rest assured, as the PTA donate funds to the school, they/we will share with you what they have helped the school purchase, all of which will be child centred.



Wednesday saw lower school transported back in time and across to another continent, as they enjoyed Egyptian Day. As always, although the children had a fabulous time, it's sometimes difficult to spot who enjoyed it more, given my staff's great attitude to these days – as epitomised by Mr Restall. I think he may have to change his wrestling name – TutanSlam-em!?!

The children enjoyed a range of memorable activities from food tasting, to accessory making, to the playing of traditional games. We've spoken about this before, about making learning 'sticky'. This is not literal, although I missed out the food tasting so can't be fully sure, but metaphorical – the learning, delivered in this fun, hands-on way, is really memorable.

Then on Thursday, we hope you weren't late for the Pantoons annual visit. Almost 200 people from the local community came together to join us for the Pantoons' production of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland as they kicked off their nationwide tour.



Our PRIDE assembly on Monday, we were joined by our colleagues from Waterloo Library who were here to promote the Summer Reading Challenge, which is always good fun. This year's theme is 'Ready, Set, Read' and it should prove to be a fun, engaging and free way to spend some of your children's time over the long summer holiday break.



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE – assembly visit on Monday

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/readyssetread-bc-landing>



Friday saw our weekly Top Table offering of lovely lunchtime lads and lasses, all of whom were nominated by our equally lovely lunchtime supervisory team.

Later that afternoon, we were joined by the Infant school children, staff and parents as they were able to enjoy their Sports Day in glorious weather on our field. A big well done to our Year 6 sports ambassadors who supported the younger children through their sporting activities.

Don't forget, as if you could, that it's INSET day tomorrow.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

A. Clarke

Mr Andy Clarke
Head Teacher

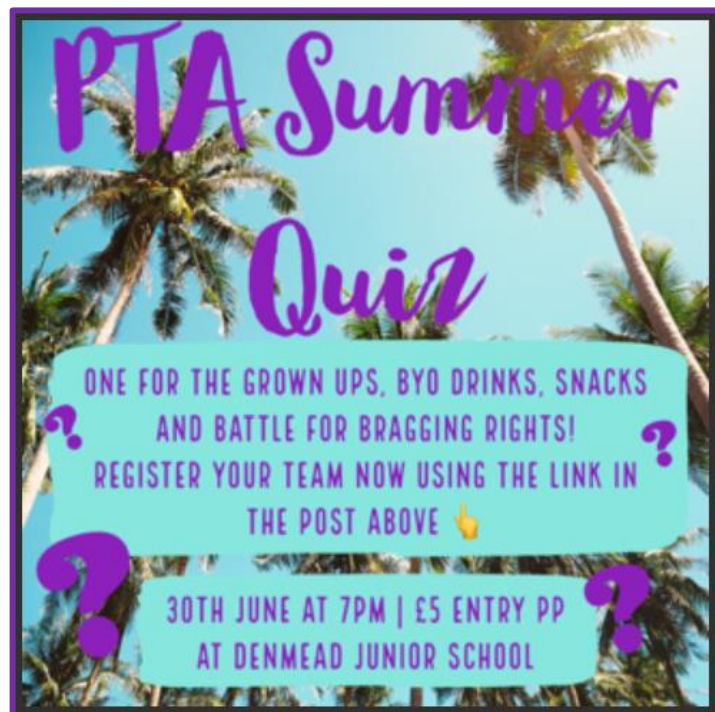


SENT THIS WEEK:

- Strikes & events update communication: Transition Day and Sports Day moved (see dates section)
- Year 6 Performance Booking Link email
- Year 6 group photo proof cards sent home – 2nd version to follow next week!
- Year 3 email – Calshot information evening (for April 2024)
- Year 4 email – Mixing classes email and online form
- PTA disco email

REMINDERS:

Please can we ask all parents and carers to be vigilant checking their children's hair regularly. Please see the following NHS link for further guidance and information: nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/



BOOK YOUR TEAM FOR FRIDAY HERE:
[BOOKING LINK](#)



CALENDAR (new additions will appear in red & * indicates more details to follow):

JUNE	
26 th	INSET day
29 th	6pm – Year 3 Calshot Information meeting
30 th	PTA QUIZ NIGHT
JULY	
3 rd	Transition Day – moved to Monday, due to strike date on Wednesday 5 th July 5pm Lower School PTA Disco 6.30pm Lower School PTA Disco
5 th	Year 2 parent meeting – 6.30pm
w/c 10 th	Year 6 Production performances
14 th	SPORTS DAY – moved to this back up date, owing to strike date on 7 th July
20 th	Year 6 Leavers' do (5pm finish)
21 st	LAST DAY OF TERM – early finish 1.30pm with Leavers Arch created from 1.15pm



**ALL SAINTS MESSY CHURCH -
SUMMER SPECIAL**

Bring your own picnic to our next Messy Church on the 15th July - 3:30-5pm. Messy Church is a fun-filled afternoon of crafts, messy activities, games, singing, and prayers exploring a Bible story/theme aimed at families with primary school-aged children.

To find out more please visit our website:

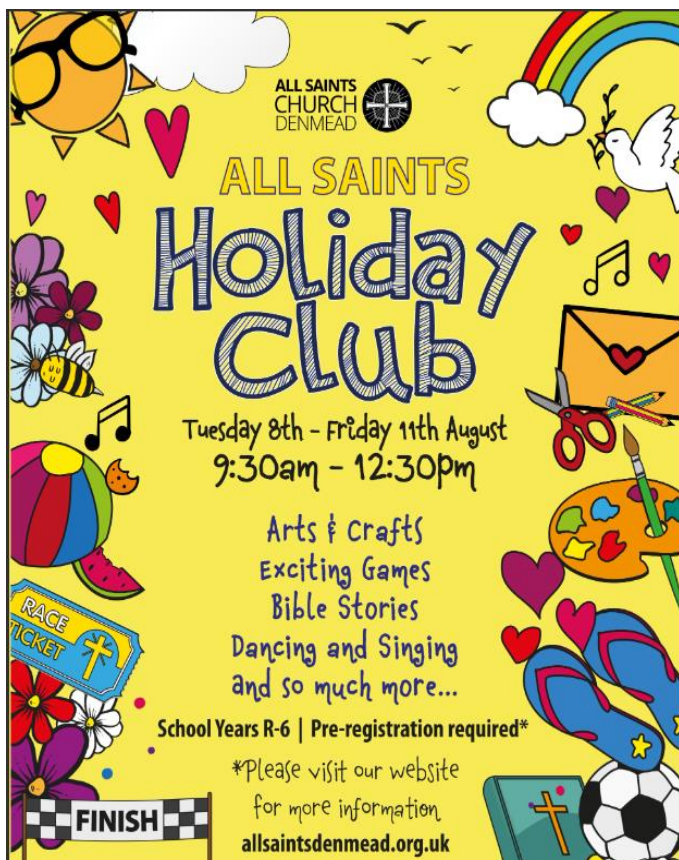
<https://allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/messychurch>

or find us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/DenmeadMessyChurch>

NOTE: Please no nuts in your picnics, thank you.





ALL SAINTS HOLIDAY CLUB 2023

Time is running out to pre-register your place. Spaces are filling fast, get your forms in ASAP to make sure you get a space. The cut-off date for pre-registration is the 2nd of July.

All Saints Holiday Club is an action-packed themed week at the beginning of summer for Denmead children in primary school. Running for four mornings with games, crafts, drama, music, bible stories and more; It's a whole lot of fun whilst learning more about Jesus and God's love for each and every one of us.

To pre-register your child/ren please pick up a physical copy available at the back of All Saints Church or download a form from our website:

<https://allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/holidayclub>

Please hand all forms into the church post-box (round the back of the church, on the wall to your left as you face the double doors), thank you.

