



Denmead Junior School

Inspiring Curiosity, Building Success

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Dear Parents and Carers,

On paper, a shorter but no-less busy week here at Denmead Juniors.

Monday was an INSET day, where we had on-going training for our subject leaders, to support further development to our wider curriculum, ensuring that it is both progressive and of a high quality. In the afternoon, we had whole school First Aid training.

The staff recently received Spikeball training, along with a host of new equipment and they have enjoyed sharing this new sport with your children in PE and Games sessions last week.

Wait...so how do you play?

Here's a quick easy guide to get you started



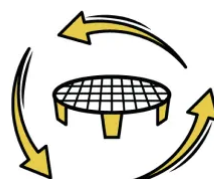
2v2

Team 1 serves to Team 2 to start a point



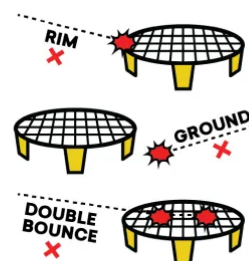
3 Touches

Players have up to three alternating touches to return the ball to the net



360° Play

After the serve, players can move or hit in any direction around the net



Scoring

Score when the opposing team hits the rim, the ground, or bounces the ball more than once on the net

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I9UL6P5IsxY&list=TLGGwZ3l13V9TwMwMjA3MjAyMw&ab_channel=Spikeball

On Wednesday, our JRSOs (Junior Road Safety Officers) led an assembly to both lower and upper school. The Junior Road Safety Officer scheme promotes peer to peer education with pupils sharing key road safety messages to the rest of the school - ensuring our pupils are aware of the dangers of the road from an early age.

A constant message, and one which we do have to re-inforce, is the importance of wearing a cycle helmet for all journeys on a bicycle and even on scooters. We are in the process of booking Bikeability (cycle proficiency training) for next year's Year 6. Once this is confirmed, we will be sharing this information with you.

Thursday evening saw Mrs Marks deliver the Calshot Parents Evening to keen and eager Year 3 parents and children alike. Thank you for your enthusiastic attendance.

We have enjoyed inviting the Year 2s over from the infant school this week, to make use of our Forest Garden area as part of their minibeast project. It's great that we can share this fabulous resource with others, as we are so lucky to have this magical space to enrich our learning.



Friday saw our last Rocksteady concert of the year. Your attendance was again fantastic and it was standing room only for many, as we endeavoured to squeeze you all in. Great performances from everyone; growing confidence, inspiring others and having fun along the way!

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| <p>✓ Learn to play in a band</p> <p>Learning an instrument should be fun. Your child can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals and enjoy playing in a happy, supportive environment with their friends.</p> | <p>✓ From first notes to favourite songs</p> <p>The Rocksteady Programme is for all children aged 4-11 and is proven to progress musicianship, confidence and teamwork skills with no prior experience necessary.</p> |
| <p>✓ Lead by real musicians</p> <p>Your child's music teacher should also be their role model. Which is why all Rocksteady Band Leaders are carefully chosen, extensively trained musicians who know how to inspire a life-long love of playing music.</p> | <p>✓ With regular live performances</p> <p>Playing on stage is a huge confidence booster. With termly concerts at school assemblies, your child will be able to show off their progress to friends, teachers and parents with the rest of their band.</p> |

Musical opportunities at Denmead Juniors aren't limited to Rocksteady either. We have signed up again for next year with Hampshire Music Service's Listen to Me programme, where **EVERY CHILD** gets to learn a musical instrument for a whole term, delivered by a music specialist with a live performance delivered to you at the end of it.

Our choir hope to be performing next year at the O2 Arena as part of the Young Voices Choir initiative, which is another memorable and inspiring opportunity to look forward to.

And that's what I love about Denmead Junior School ... there is always something to look forward to.

And next week is no exception, with the week starting with our Transition Morning – very exciting indeed!

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mr Andy Clarke
Head Teacher

SENT THIS WEEK:

- Year 6 replacement photo proof cards – **deadline for ordering is Tuesday 4th July**
- 'The Americas' classes – performance dates emails
- Year 4 – further information from
- *Year 3 – please look for email next week regarding the presentation and booking details.*

REMINDERS:

- Induction Day and PTA Discos on Monday
- Year 6 Show: Please book your tickets asap online (using links in email sent 21st June)
- Year 5 Stone Farm: Balances due for full payment by the end of July
- Strike Days scheduled for Wednesday and Friday
- Sports Day moved from 7th to Friday 14th July



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

JULY	
3 rd	Transition Day – moved to Monday, due to strike date on Wednesday 5th 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 7th 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.



Open 8am - 6pm



**Summer IS here - 24th July - 31st
August - BOOK NOW!**



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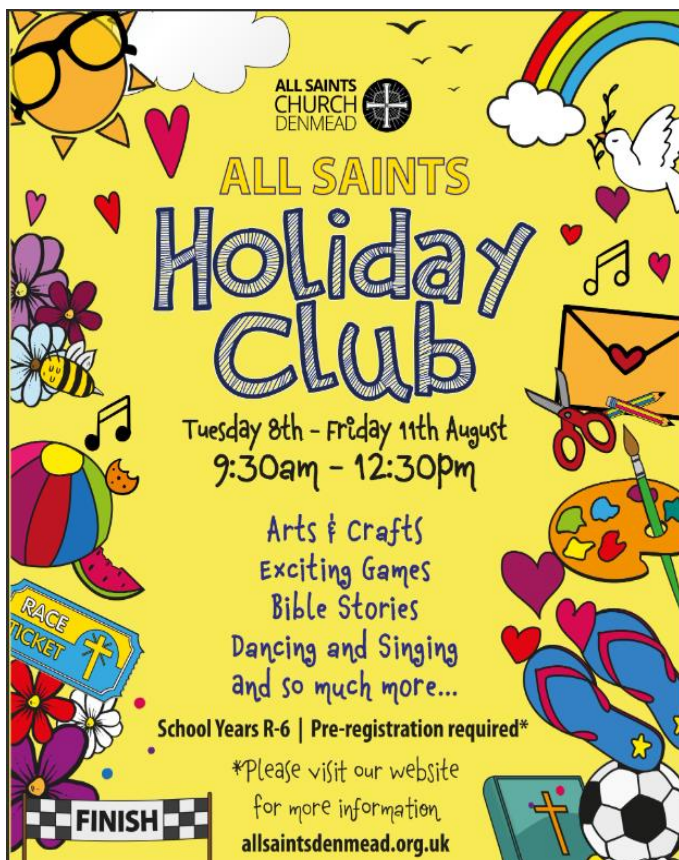
With games such as Dodgeball,
Ultimate Tag and the much loved
Chicken, Hero, Pair!

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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.

