



Denmead Junior School
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Dear parents and carers,

Weekly news update

I hope that you enjoyed some quality time with your families and friends over the holidays and welcome back to the New Year our value for the first month of the year is Positivity. (I once made the terrible mistake of complaining about how January was my least favourite month in earshot of my young son, who was mortified because his birthday falls in the middle of the month – not my best moment!)

We had a very positive visit from Year 2 parents in the morning and with their children after school to look around the school. Our Year 5 children did a terrific job as tour guides, answering lots of questions from our visitors.

The Happiness Ambassadors are working hard on preparing their assembly for Monday 20th (week after next), so please see the separate letter coming home and we hope that you can join us for the morning.

At our INSET training day on Monday we joined up with the infant school staff for our refresher safeguarding training which, as always - but particularly this year - was very sobering. Over the holidays I was reflecting on the last few weeks of last term and whilst it has been tough going, the many positive comments that parents and the community have expressed have made a huge difference in enabling us all to get through it. It has made me realise the enormous power of a few words of appreciation and on behalf of all the staff a very big thank you.

Wishing you a good weekend,

Elaine Viner
Head Teacher

Reminders this week:

- **UNIFORM**
A reminder that school costs have increased by 50p per item. Please also be reminded that P.E. kits should NOT include football shirts and that children should be wearing black school shoes not plimsolls or trainers for standard uniform.
- **RESIDENTIAL PAYMENTS**
Payment for the Year 4 Calshot residential trip **this April** is due in full by the end of this month. Bushcraft payment needs to be paid in full by the end of April.
- **SAFE TRAVELLING TO SCHOOL**
Please can we remind children and parents about travelling in and out of school safely – parking, driving, cycling, scootering with consideration for other path and road users etc.

Key information sent out this week:

- Forest School letter
- Mrs Viner news
- Year 3 – Calshot 2021 Meeting letter
- ‘Beat the Blues’ school event assembly
- Curriculum Newsletters
- Lower School extended learning sheet

Events Next Week:

- Monday 13th First of 10 swimming sessions – Year 4
- Tuesday 14th ITALY ASSEMBLY – 9am parent assembly & class activity
- Tuesday 14th **ITALY ASSEMBLY** Note: *Change to day of whole school performance from Monday to Tuesday @ 3pm (to allow parents to watch the performance if unable to attend morning session) ***
- Wednesday 15th Calshot Meeting for current year 3 parents - 6.30pm