



*Learning together,
Growing together*

Dovecot Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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ATTENDANCE

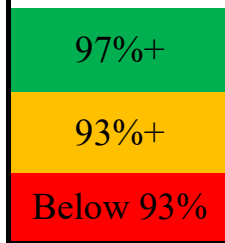
Missing a day here or there might not seem like much, but here are some statistics that might surprise you...

A child with 92% attendance is absent from school for 15 days, which is 3 school weeks.

A child with 88% attendance is absent from school for 23 days, which is over 4 school weeks.

The target that all schools aim for is to have a minimum of 97% attendance overall, and it is important that we all work together to try to get to this number!

Attendance



ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

20th January to 24th January 2025

1. **Y6 (OAK):** 96.7%
2. **Y3 (ASH)** 95.5%
3. **Y2 (MAPLE):** 94.2%
4. **Y5 (WILLOW):** 92.5%
5. **Y1 (CEDAR):** 91.9%
6. **YR R (ELM):** 91.5%
7. **N (ACORN):** 88.6%
8. **Y4 (MULBERRY)** 85.4%

Whole school this week:
92.0%

Whole school since start of year:
92.7%

Statutory Attendance this week:
92.7%

Statutory Attendance since start of year:
93.3%

Percentage of Lates
3%

Saturday Night Take-Away

Every child who has 97% and above attendance for this half term will be entered into a draw for a prize!



Children's Mental Health Week

The theme this year is 'Know yourself, Grow yourself'

Next week we will be having some sessions in class around how we can make sure our mental health is safe and healthy. If you would like to find out more information on supporting your child's mental health please visit this website.

www.youngminds.org.uk

The BBC have a great page for children to access.

Children's Mental Health week 2025: What is the week about? - BBC Newsround



PTFA Fund Raising

We are in the process of planning some family fundraising activities for the rest of this academic year. If you have any good ideas that we can add to our list please let the office know. We are always looking for exciting ways to raise money.

We have a spare change box in the office if you would like to get rid of all your coppers!

KEY DATES

- Monday 3rd February—Children's Mental Health Week
- Tuesday 4th February—Y6 Health Workshop
- Friday 14th February—School closes for half term
- Monday 24th February—School opens.



Resilience

Y6 quotes:

- Belle**—You don't want to give up. This is Mrs Barr's favourite word.
- Joe Mc**—Set a goal and keep trying even if it is hard. Don't give up!
- Riley**—You just keep an trying and trying.
- Emtissal**— Never give up. Do your best.

HOUSEPOINT CHAMPIONSHIP

<u>This Week</u>		<u>This Term</u>	
CHAVASSE:	87	CHAVASSE:	341
O'BRIEN:	76	O'BRIEN:	311
WILKINSON:	84	WILKINSON:	331
DUNCAN:	89	DUNCAN:	333

*Congratulations to everyone in **Duncan** house who have earned the most Class Dojos this week. **Chavasse** are winning this term so far!*



PUPILS OF THE WEEK



HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD

Toby McVeigh Bragger for his amazing writing about dragons in his classroom! We are so proud of you!

OAK (Y6)

Amber Foster-Carter for excellent oracy skills and building on the ideas in class.

WILLOW (Y5)

Lukas Donald for always having a great sense of humour which makes Miss McKuhen smile.

MULBERRY (Y4)

Amelia Grocott for having a great week! Super Star!

ASH (Y3)

Halle Golding-Douglas for fantastic participation in all lessons. Well done!

MAPLE (Y2)

Sonny Ritchie for AMAZING reasoning in Maths. Well done!

CEDAR (Y1)

Thomas Rayment for always following the rules and being a good role model!

ELM (RECEPTION)

Jessie Coville-Stones for having a mature attitude to learning.

ACORN (NURSERY & 2-YEAR OLDS)

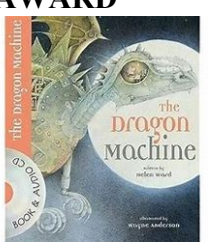
Noah Rixon & Ethan Grocott for having a great week!

LUNCHTIME AWARD

Ruben Moore Smith (Y2) & Nellie Kendrick (Y3) for excellent behaviour in the hall this week.

BREAKFAST AWARD

Rylie Nzuobontane (Y2) for excellent behaviour in breakfast club this week.



Dragons in my Classroom

Imagined and written by **Toby McVeigh Bragger (Y2)**

The dragons took over our classroom and they broke everything. The dragons broke the TV, the tables, the trays, the coat hangers, colour pencils. They even broke the corridor. The dragons ate cheese and you can only feed them chocolate. I found the dragons and I rang the dragon patrol. The dragon patrol took all of the dragons to dragon prison.