

Reaching for the Stars!
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Dear Parents and Carers,

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations at D.P.S.

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June, we are planning a number of events and activities in school. This is a significant moment in our living history and also forms part of our British Values curriculum.

As we are on holiday on the day of the Jubilee, we are planning to hold our own celebrations in the weeks leading up to this day. During the week commencing the 16th May, the children will engage in a variety of different lessons and activities linked to the Jubilee and the reign of Queen Elizabeth II including: finding out about the history of Queen Elizabeth; geography linked to the Commonwealth and places in the world where the Queen has visited; art and craft activities, including creating portraits of the Queen and making bunting and flags to decorate the classrooms, and writing poetry inspired by the theme of the Platinum Jubilee.

Jubilee Picnic

As a school community, we plan to celebrate by having a Jubilee Picnic on the field (weather permitting). This will take place during the afternoon of **Monday 23rd May for the Junior children**, and the afternoon of **Tuesday 24th May for the Infant children**. On this day, we would like the children to come to school dressed in red, white and blue, or they may dress up as a King or Queen for the day! In order to provide refreshments for the celebrations, we would like each child to bring in a **£2.00 donation**. Please can this be sent into school **by Monday 16th May**, so that we have enough time to purchase the food and drink for the picnic. Please can children also bring in a picnic blanket or rug on the day of their picnic. We hope to have a really fun afternoon of celebrations including playing some traditional party games and possibly some Maypole dancing!

Make a Crown

In order to celebrate in style, we would like all of our pupils (infants as well as juniors) to make a crown at home to wear on the day of the picnic. This is a similar idea to our Easter bonnet competition. Prizes will be awarded for the best crown in each class, and we will host a 'Crown Parade' during the afternoon of the picnic so that the pupils can share their designs with other pupils. Thank you in advance to parents and carers for entering into the spirit of this and helping your child to make a crown - the more creative, the better! The children need to bring their crown

into school on the day of their picnic (Monday 23rd May for Juniors and Tuesday 24th May for Infants).

Jubilee Tea Dance

We will also be hosting a **Jubilee Tea Dance on the afternoon of Thursday 19th May**. This will be hosted by two professional dancers who run a dance school, so it will be very good quality! As well as dancing, we also plan to offer our guests a delicious afternoon tea and provide some entertainment by some of our talented pupils. The Tea Dance is for the senior members of our community, so please pass this information on to grandparents/great-grandparents. We will be sending out another letter about this event out shortly, so that families can apply for tickets.

Our wonderful P.T.A. are also kindly supporting our events, and we are hoping to provide each pupil with a commemorative gift to mark this moment in history.

We are very much looking forward to celebrating our Queen's Jubilee in style and would like to thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

K. Brookes

Miss K. Brookes - Deputy Head teacher.