



Newsletter

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THIS MONTH'S VALUE

Thoughtfulness

'Thoughtfulness brings people closer than any other emotion. Once in a while, do something for someone who least expects it.'
Aravind Bharathy

HEADS UP FROM MS. BROOKES

Where has January gone? It has flown by and we are all eagerly looking forward to the arrival of Spring... lighter nights; blossom; birdsong and daffodils. All of these things fill us with hope and optimism for what lies ahead... In school, we are looking forward to another busy half-term of teaching and learning. Year 5 will be beginning their very exciting Shakespeare project. This year, they will be exploring the play, Hamlet and doing lots of engaging and creative activities linked to it. We look forward to seeing them perform their final piece in the Summer term.

This half-term, we have been working very hard to continue to develop our calm, nurture spaces for pupils to regulate. Our school is looking lovely and we look forward to showing you the areas we have developed when you next visit. Some of our children in KS 2 have been involved in Anti-Bullying Ambassador training, led by The Diana Award. We hope they will make a positive contribution and difference to our school community. We have also enjoyed welcoming the Education Secretary, Bridget Phillipson to our school; she was very impressed by all the wonderful work going on and enjoyed meeting staff and some pupils. Thank you for your continued support.



DIARY DATES

- W/C 2/2/2026 – Y6 Bike ability, Group 2.
- 3/2/2026 – Year 5 Shakespeare Project launch workshops.
- 5/2/2026 – 3B's Class Assembly at 9.05 am.
- W/c 9/2/2026 – Children's Mental Health Week
- 10/2/2026 – School nurse drop-in sessions for EYFS/KS 1 parents from 8.30 - 9.30 am.
- 10/2/2026 – Safer Internet Day.
- 10/2/2026 – Meeting for KS 2 parents at 6.00 pm on our RSHE Curriculum (Relationships, Sex & Health Education).
- 11/2/2026 – School Nurse drop-in sessions for KS 2 parents from 8.30 – 9.30 am.
- 12/2/2026 – Barn Owls' Class Assembly.
- 13/2/2026 – School closes for half-term at 3.30 pm.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Our attendance target is at least 96% attendance.

Whole school attendance for January:

96.97 %

Thank you to everyone for valuing education and continuing to ensure that your children come to school every day and on time.

Remember, every lesson counts!

The following classes have won the best overall attendance for January. Well done! You have all earned an extra playtime for your super attendance.

EYFS – Little Owls – 98.73%

KS1 – Tawny Owls – 98.44%

KS2 – 3B – 98.97%

Reaching for the stars!

caring | collaborative | courageous | ambitious

FOCUS ON

NURTURE SPACES

As part of our journey to becoming a more relationally inclusive school, we have spent a lot of time developing nurture spaces for our children. These are calm, safe spaces for children to use to regulate, reset and repair before returning to class. The spaces are also used for intervention groups, including therapeutic work to support pupils' social, emotional and mental health. This term, we are delighted to share that we have finally finished developing the nurture space for our KS 2 pupils: The Zen Zone. This name was chosen by our pupils and the space has quickly become a firm favourite with many of our pupils as it is such a lovely, calming space to be. Please see some pictures below. A big thank you to our PTA who kindly funded this project.

SPECIAL EVENTS

It is Children's Mental Health Week w/c Monday 9th February. This is something that matters very much to all of us in our school community. We would like to draw your attention to the wonderful children's mental health charity, Place2Be which champions children's mental health: <https://www.place2be.org.uk/>

This year, the theme for Children's Mental Health Week is 'This is My Place.' The aim is to support the systems around children and young people to help them feel they belong. We will share more information with you about this important week in due course.

Feeling like you belong is something that we talk about a lot at D.P.S. with our pupils. We remind our children every day of the simple, but important message: *'We are all different, we are all welcome.'*

SNAPSHOT OF D.P.S.



The Zen Zone.



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THE DAVYHULME PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA TEAM

Christmas fundraising achievements to share:

Christmas Fair - £1300

Year 3 & 4 Christmas Disco - £670

Christmas Hamper Raffle - £266

Christmas Card Fundraising - £488

Thank you to all the children, parents, staff and that supported the events by donating, attending, ordering and volunteering.

February events:

Friday 6th February - Year 1 and 2 Disco - 3.45-5.15pm

Friday 27th February - Bag to School - morning drop off. More information to come.

If you would like to help, share ideas and meet other parents please email davyhulmeprimarypta@outlook.com

PARENTS / CARERS

Keeping Our Children Safe Online

- We encourage all our parents/carers to continue to be vigilant about your child's use of social media/mobile phones. Please ensure that you monitor closely what your child is doing and have those open and honest conversations with your child about this important issue. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Thank you.

School Crossing Patrol

- Trafford Council are keen to employ dedicated residents to become School Crossing Patrols on a casual or permanent basis. If interested, please call 0161 912 5556. Full training and uniform will be provided along with an attractive hourly rate of pay. This is such an important role: keeping our children safe and being an integral part of our community.