



Newsletter

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THIS MONTH'S VALUE

Tolerance

"No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin, or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite." Mandela

HEADS UP FROM MS. BROOKES

Despite our break during April, we managed to have another busy month with lots happening throughout the school! The Early Years Easter Bonnet Parade marked the beginning of our Easter celebrations. The event was full of joy – the sun was shining and the pupils from the Nursery and Reception classes also shone with their creative bonnets, along with their fabulous singing and dance moves! The School Council Comms Team took great care and thought when judging our annual decorative eggs competition which this year was on the theme of reading to celebrate the National Year of Reading. As always, there were some very creative entries!

Whilst talking about the National Year of Reading, I would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents and carers of the value and importance of reading with your child as often as you can. It really does make such a difference, even when children appear to be fluent, confident readers. Many thanks for your continued support.



DIARY DATES

- 5/5/2026 – Important Phonics meeting for all Year 1 parents at 9.15 am & 4.00 pm.
- 7/5/2026 – Eagle Owls' Class Assembly at 9.00 am.
- 8/5/2026 – David Attenborough Day (100th birthday)
- W/c 11/5/2026 – KS 2 SATs Week for Year 6.
- 14/5/2026 – Cross Country event 3.45 – 5.00 pm.
- 15/5/2026 – EYFS trip to Cockfield's Farm.
- w/c 18/5/2026 – Brighter Futures Week.
- 19/5/2026 – Art Exhibition.
- 20/5/2026 – Year 4 Roman Day.
- 21/5/2026 – 5B's Class Assembly at 9.05 am & Eco-Refill
- 22/5/2026 - School closes for Whit holiday at 3.30 pm.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Our attendance target is at least 96% attendance.

Whole school attendance for April:

96.57 %

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 April. Well done! You have all earned an extra playtime for your super attendance.

EYFS – Nursery **100%!!**

KS1 – Barn Owls 99%

KS2 – 6B 97.4%

Reaching for the stars!

caring | collaborative | courageous | ambitious

FOCUS ON

Phonics – Early Reading

Learning to read is one of the most important things your child will learn at school. We want your child to **love** reading – and to want to read for themselves. At Davyhulme Primary School, we put all our efforts into making sure our children develop a love of books as well as simply learning to read. We want every single child to learn to read as quickly as possible.

We follow the Read Write Inc. Phonics/Reading scheme.

What can I do to help?

Regularly visit your Child's class Seesaw page where phonics clips will be uploaded to help practise.

Use the information sheets sent home.

Read each day with your child and record it in their planner.

Check the website for updates.

Year 1 parents – please attend Phonics Meeting on 5/5/2026.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Podcasts

We are delighted to share with you news of our fortnightly podcasts which are produced by Mr. Parkinson and a team of our very talented pupils. These are available to watch and listen to on our website, so please look out for them. They contain a mixture of features such as:

- Teacher Takeover (an interview with a member of staff)
- Book Reviews
- Question of the Week
- What I have learnt... plus so much more!

Episode 3 also contains a special interview with Rev. Richard Coles who visited D.P.S. this week.

SNAPSHOT OF D.P.S.



Richard Coles meeting our podcast interview team!



Book signing and meeting his fans!



Rev. Richard Coles talking to pupils about his latest book...

THE DAVYHULME PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA TEAM

- Friday 22nd May - Reception Disco - parent helpers needed please
- Friday 12th June - Bag 2 School collection - parent helpers needed please
- Friday 12th June - Someone Special Stall - parent helpers needed for the stall and wrapping please

If you are interested in getting involved with the PTA, please get in touch by email at davyhulmeprimarypta@outlook.com or via our Facebook page Davyhulme Primary PTA.

We are very friendly and look forward to hearing from you!

Everyone is always welcome!

PARENTS / CARERS

Key Stage 2 SATs Week

It is SATs week w/c Monday 11th May for our Year 6 pupils who have been working so hard in preparation. It is really important that children have a good routine this week by going to bed on time and having breakfast. It is important that all children attend school this week and arrive on time. Thank you.

Phonic Screen Check

This will take place in June, following the Whit holiday for our Year 1 pupils. Mr. Coleby, our Reading Lead, will be leading a meeting on 5/5/2026 about this and also reminding parents/carers of how you can support your child with their phonics and early reading at home. We urge all parents/carers to attend please at either 9.15 am or 4.00 pm.