



**Dereham Church of England  
Junior Academy**  
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Dear parents and carers

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Welcome to our most recent Newsletter. Please take the time to have a read through to see what's been happening and what's coming up. The entries from each year group are especially interesting.

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Firstly, many thanks to all of you that turned up to support us at the May Fayre. It was lovely to see so many of you and we were lucky we managed to escape the rain! I would also like to thank all the staff that gave up their time to help, especially Mrs Bodiam and the Friends who organised everything. Please read on in the Newsletter to see a list of winners for the raffle and other competitions.

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This newsletter wouldn't be the same without an **ELF (Extended Learning Facility)** update. The children have been enjoying it loads already and it is smashing to see them being so gentle and nurturing with our new schoolmates.

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We have also been donated two new rabbits by Molly-Mai's family call 'Galaxy' and 'Malteser' (other chocolates are available!) so keep your eyes out for them. During the May Fayre, there was a competition to name our four 'house' (Air, Fire, Earth and Water) guinea pigs, so here are the winning suggestions and they're very interesting indeed:

**Air** – 'Tabitha'

**Earth** – 'Roger'

**Fire** – 'Berry'

**Water** – 'Miss Walter'

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Even though the end of the school year is approaching, can I please remind parents and carers that the children are expected to wear proper **school uniform**. There are an increasing number of children wearing coloured trainers and shoes in school. Footwear should be black and children will be questioned if this is not the case.

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Hopefully, the **weather** will soon start to warm up and when this happened, it is really important to make sure the children are prepared. As always, children should bring a bottle full of water to school and it would be best if they come with lotion on and a cap to help protect them should they be outside during the day. Just a reminder though, we do not apply sun lotion to the children.

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Last week, each class had their **class photograph** taken, and the Year 6's had their as a whole year group. The proofs have been sent out via children and we have been reassured that on this occasion the jumpers, where worn, will look purple.

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We hope your children have a lovely final week before you all get to enjoy a lovely week together as families.

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*Best Wishes*

## Year 6

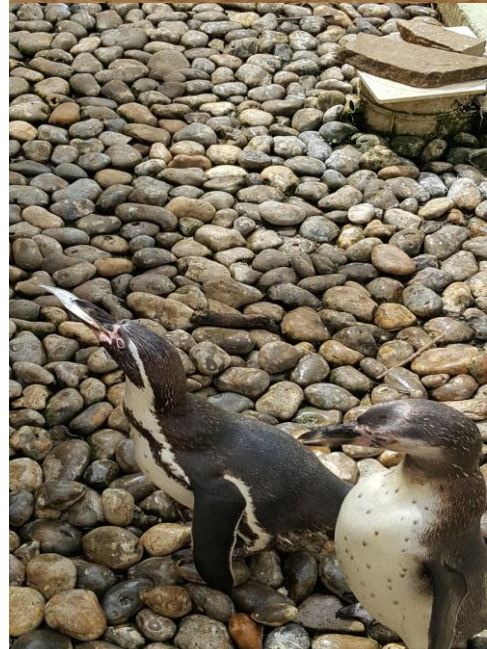
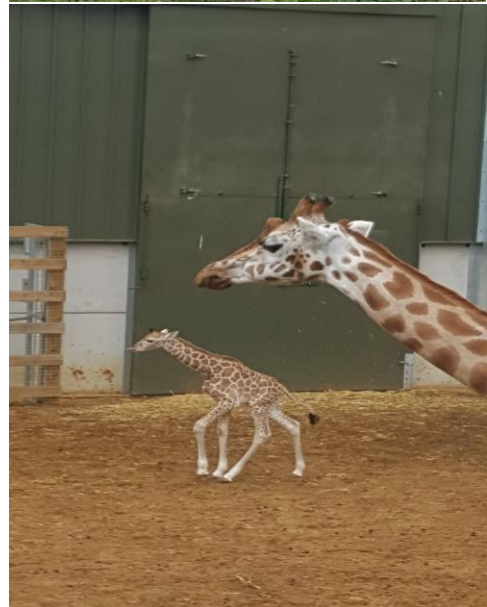
Following on from the SATs tests, Year 6 have been looking at Animals – we have focused our learning on how life evolved on earth and why certain animals have evolved in certain ways. As well as this, we chose an animal to research and then wrote a non-chronological report about. Including lots of technical language and fascinating facts, we finally finished up by making an eye-catching leaflet of our work.

We also visited Woburn Safari Park yesterday. It was amazing! We went on a road safari (where you drive around in the enclosures) and saw loads of amazing animals including: tigers, wolves, bears, giraffes, lions and some very cheeky monkeys.

Then, we went into the park itself. Here, we got to walk around different enclosures and see even more species of animals! We saw penguins, some squirrel monkeys, wallabies with their babies – or joeys as they are known – in their pouches; some of them were tiny!

We also went to see a demonstration about Birds of Prey. We learnt about their habitats (where they live) and any adaptations they have which help them to hunt better. Did you know an owl has the ability to fly silently? This is so it can sneak up on its prey.

Harley Macleod, Josh Henson, Nelson Panks, Summer Kearns and Rebecca Sabiers  
(Panama Class)



## Year 4 – Our Trip to Pensthorpe

Our trip to Pensthorpe...

We rode in the safari jeep and we went in the section where the public weren't allowed to go (unless they were in the camouflage jeep). We went in a bright green forest. We saw an unusual zebra print tent. Then we rode to the red cows, on the way back we saw some tawny owl, barn owl and little owl boxes, after that we saw a Andean condor nest that Pensthorpe made. As we were going around in the jeep, Gregg was telling us all about Pensthorpe and how they had been on spring watch on the TV. We came back to the place that we started at. We went to see Tallulah the barn owl. We learnt all about her owl pellets which she brings up once she's eaten a whole chick! We learnt why she has white feathers underneath her wings which means she can hide from her prey in the sky. She has very sharp claws and a beak to help her attack and eat her delicious, juicy prey.

In the afternoon, we went on the nature walk which we had lots of ducks coming up to us to say hello. One of the ducks had a Mohawk. Brett gathered an army of ducks which followed him around through the water. On the walk we had stamps to collect which showed different parts of nature. I really enjoyed the nature walk because it was nice and calm to be in amongst all the nature. We saw some flamingos and some squirrels as well. At the end of the day we had a long play in the play area, there was a very big slide which year 4 really enjoyed.

By Keane and Dawson





### Year 5 – Farm to Fork – Tesco Dereham visit

Over the last two weeks, Year 5 have been to Tesco Dereham to join in with their Eat Happy Project. The Eat Happy Project involves the community and is designed to help children build a healthier and happier relationship with food. We had the opportunity to take part in a food trail around the store, learning about healthy eating and how much sugar is in the food we love to eat. We were quite shocked to learn that children of our age should only have the equivalent of six cubes of sugar a day, especially as a can of coke has up to nine! We also tasted some foods that some of us have never tried before (including prunes!) and even made our own muesli to take home.



# Farm to Fork

This visit was thoroughly enjoyed by all involved and has further developed our community links with Tesco, with them having already donated towards our fantastic new ELF and with their future involvement during Sports Day and beyond. Thank you Tesco Dereham!



### **Year Three**

In Year Three we have been learning about wild animals as part of our topic work. We are looking forward to our trip to Africa Alive on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

Last week was our test week, in the afternoons we started our project on making photograph frames. Sawing the wood proved quite a challenge - fortunately all fingers remained intact.

We are hoping for some great photographs from our trip to put in the frames.

This week we have been using the Probots (children can programme the cars) as part of our maths work on angles. Children quickly became able to “drive” the cars around the road mats.

## May Fayre Raffle Prize Winners

Please come to the school from 15:30pm on either Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May or Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May to collect your prize.

Gail Lee - 2 prizes

Aaron Mehmet

Neuza Cepeda

C.Heyhoe

DL & Co Williams

Amy Barker

Keane Begley

Mark Cockbill

Mr & Mrs Proctor

Karen Gibbs - 2 prizes

Tom Parrish - 2 prizes

Rhianna Baines

Morris

Roxanne Webb

Aeo Phukjit

Elinor Riglar

Juvencio Mendoza

Dexter Speed

Elise Barker

### **Additional prizes**

Name the Teddy- Joshua Haines

Toby Wade

Fiona Sheldrick

## Last week's attendance

Bromo	30 pupils	100%
Everest	30 pupils	95.67%
Fuji	30 pupils	96%
Mayon	30 pupils	100%
Drakensberg	29 pupils	97.4%
Kilimanjaro	29 pupils	100%
Serengeti	28 pupils	99.29%
Virunga	29 pupils	100%
Matterhorn	26 pupils	100%
Sagrada	26 pupils	98.46%
Trevi	25 pupils	97.6%
Vesuvius	24 pupils	95.42%
Amazon	29 pupils	97.93%
Machu	30 pupils	97.33%
Picchu		
Nazca	29 pupils	95.17%
Panama	29 pupils	98.28%

Well done to Bromo, Mayon, Kilimanjaro, Virunga and Matterhorn for all having 100% attendance.

**St Nicholas Church  
Dereham  
invites you to the next**

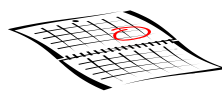


**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017  
10-11.30 am.**

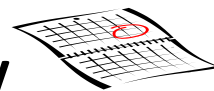
**Crafts, games, worship and refreshments,  
celebrating 'Pentecost', the Church's Birthday.**



**Further details from Evelyn Speed  
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## Dates For Your Diary



24/5/17 – Year 3 trip to Africa Alive

26/5/17 – Break up for Summer Half term

05/6/17 – First day on new half term, Year 3 trip to Gressenhall Rural Life Museum

09/6/17 – Northgate and Neatherd Visiting Year 6

12/6/17 – 16/6/17 – Year 6 Lake District Residential Trip

### Well done to the following children who have received House Point awards recently:

**10HP:-** Joshua Faulkner, Maddison Lee, Jasmine Mehmet, Olivia Barnard **25HP:-** Ethan Parker **50 HPs:-** Liam-George Buck, Jodie Simpson, Imogen Bennett, Emma Lister **100HP:- Bronze Award:-** Max Nelson, Luke Moulard, Alfie Hunt, Blake Woodcock, Koby Hannigan, Onur Kaykusuz, Daniel Freitas, Tizzie Still, Lily-May Hunt, Oliver Osborne, Brett Moore **150HP Silver Award:-** Grace Stacey, Harrison Mower, Kyle Eye, Jamie Whitehair, Jayden Stebbings, Jack Bone, Sofia Park-Silva, Hattie-Mae Gibbons, Dawson D'Agostino **200HP:-** Poppy Taylor, Teagan Cooper, Imogen Holley, Mika Johnson, Harry Greef, Louise Goldsmith, Albie Tugwell, Khye Street **250HP Platinum Award:-** Lewis Smith, Max Smith, Rosie Bishop, Kallum Shaw, Rihanna Ricatia, Kai Wiseman, Rebecca Ludman, Rhianna Baines, Jody Ryder **300HP Amethyst Award:-** Kieran Lynn, Aisha Elouassi **350HP Crystal Award:-** Amber Bateman, Saffron Dawson, Thomas Ellis, Corin Webster, Ekaterina Nelson, Ella Rogers, Oscar Dale, Lucy Pitcher **400HP Ruby Award:-** Bethanni Adams-Walker, Charlie Barrett, Bryoni Nottage, Millie Dack **450HP Emerald Award:-** Iza Shijo, Demi-Lee Barrett, Theo Bourner, Fleur Porter **500HP Sapphire:-** **550HP Pearl Award:-** Emma Caffyn **600HP Diamond Award:-** Olivia Macey

### Also to the following children who have collected behaviour awards;

**25 Bronze:** Daniel Corte-Real, Erin Robinson, Samantha Morris, Hattie-Mae Gibbons, Ayko Andreescu, James Taylor, Aiden Biffen, Blazej Zablocki, Bailey Gadsden, Evan Vargeson, Kieran Lynn, Bryoni Nottage, Macie Scarlett, Joao Cabrita, Jake Brown, Ellen Lujanschi, Oscar Jarman **50 Silver:** Brett Moore, James Cox, Harrison Mower, Keaton Rogers, Ella Rogers, Dylan Gould, Robyn Hart **100 Gold:** Onur Kaykusuz, Oliver Moor, Harley Davies, Leigha Claxton, Ryan Smith, Emma Caffyn, Lara Costa, Summer Harker-Foster, Lily Watson

### Accelerated Reader Awards

**25** – Kaylee King, Maks Szczerba, Anthony Elgar, Ethan Parker, Dennis Mendoza, Chloe Seaward, Bradley Day **100** – Olivia Macey, Iza Shijo

### Most Recent Stars of the Week:

Benjamin Steward, Harry Phukjit and Sean Kenny

## More ways to keep in touch

As well as our school website, ([www.derehamjunior.dneat.org](http://www.derehamjunior.dneat.org)) we now have our own Facebook page and Twitter feed. We will use these to help keep you up to date with things happening around school.



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