



Dersingham VA Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter: October 2024

Important Dates

1st and 2nd Sept: Inset Days

3rd Sept: First day back for the children

29th Sept: Phonics Afternoon for Reception

23rd-30th Sept-1st Oct: Book Fair in School

24th Sept: Reception Open morning (for 2027 starters)

25th Sept: MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

23rd Sept: Flu Vaccinations

16th Oct: Reception catch-up cafe

21st Oct: Reception Open morning (for 2027 starters)

Thursday 22nd Oct: Last day of half term

Dates for
the Diary

Sports Day July 26

What a wonderful day we had at Sports Day in July. We were so proud of all



of our children, who showed fantastic determination, resilience, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the day. It was lovely to see so many smiles and hear so much encouragement from everyone.

Thank you to everyone who came support the children.

Year 6 Play

What a wonderful way to end the year with our Year 6 production of *Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits*!

Our Year 6 children were absolutely fantastic and gave a performance full of energy, humour, confidence and enthusiasm. They worked incredibly hard over the weeks leading up to the show, learning lines, songs, dances and choreography and their hard work certainly paid off!

There were plenty of laughs, some brilliant musical moments and lots of very proud smiles from the audience. It was wonderful to see the children supporting one another, performing with such confidence and really enjoying being on stage.

They were amazing and gave us a truly memorable performance to finish their time at Dersingham.

A special thank you to all the staff who helped bring the production together and to our families for their continued support and encouragement.

What a fantastic way to celebrate our wonderful Year 6! We wish them all the best for their high school journey.

Eco Council

Thank you to the Eco Council for completing a useful litter pick out on the field at the end of term.

They impressed Miss Seaman with their care and attention to detail, and desire to encourage other people to look after their environment.



Feeding Mind, Body and Soul

(Mark 6: 30-44)

Nourishing our children to thrive and flourish in a community that cares.



Breakfast with Santa

Movie Nights

Elfridges

Christmas Crafternoon

Lloyds Matched Giving

2025/26 We have raised £5197.76

Colour Run

KS1 Party

Rainbow Raffle

TakePayments/Parentkind

Refreshments & Freezepop Fridays

Easter Egg Hunt

Sensory Circuits Equipment

Reading Challenge Kindle Prize

2025/26 PTFA Funded £3260.64

Sports Tops

School Trips- £5 per child & £5 extra for year 6 London trip

2025 & 2026 Panto

Thank you to all our PTFA members, they worked so hard last year to raise funds for our school that will benefit all our children.

Thank you to all parents/carers/grandparents who supported the PTFA during the year.

Let's keep it up this year and if anyone would like to join the team just let the office know.

COLOUR RUN & RAINBOW RAFFLE RAISED AN AMAZING....

£2311

Thank you to all of our generous sponsors:

- Gelder Electrical- Participant T-shirts- £255
- British Sugar- £250
- Lloyds Matched Giving- £500
- GoTimo- Participant sunglasses-£165
- The Wood Fired Food Co.- Colour stations- £60
- Coach & Horses- Colour stations- £60
- Norfolk Trophies & Awards-Discounted medals
- Langham Glass- Raffle prizes
- Paint Genie- Raffle prize
- Adrian Flux- Raffle prizes
- Our School Community- Hamper contents 😊

Year 6 Leavers Service

It was a very special morning as we gathered together in church for our Year 6 Leavers' Service.

The children had the opportunity to reflect on their time at Dersingham and shared some of their favourite memories from their years at primary school. It was lovely to hear them talk about the friendships they have made, the experiences they have enjoyed and the special moments that they will take with them as they move on to their next adventure.

Using a selection of Bible stories, the children also reflected on the journey that lies ahead of them. They thought about having courage when facing new challenges, trusting in themselves and others, and remembering the values and lessons they have learned along the way.

There were certainly a few emotional moments as we celebrated all that the children have achieved and looked ahead to the exciting opportunities waiting for them. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them and wish them happiness, courage and success as they begin the next chapter of their journey.

We will miss you, Year 6 — go out into the world and shine!

Value for Life

GENEROSITY HOME SCHOOL VALUES

This term we will be focussing in school on the value GENEROSITY. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

TALK TOGETHER about Generosity

When we think about **generosity** we usually think about being **generous** with money or possessions. However, we can also be **generous** with our time, our gifts and our abilities.

Generous people often say that they receive much more than they give. Perhaps this is because when someone is **generous** to us, it makes us want to be **generous** in return. The opposite of being **generous** is being selfish. What kind of person would you prefer to have as a friend?

- How would you describe yourself on this scale?

Selfish ← Generous →
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

- Where would other members of your family put you on the scale and what are their reasons?
- Who is the most **generous** person you know?



READ TOGETHER...

The Widow's Mite

Jesus had been teaching in the Temple. But now he sat down near the treasury and watched as the many visitors to the Temple passed by and dropped money into the collecting box to help with God's work.

The rich men dressed in fine robes threw in handfuls of coins as they passed, without a thought. But then a poor widow came by, paused, and placed just two mites (tiny coins) into the box.

Jesus called his disciples to him and told them what he had seen.

Then he said to them, "Let me tell you, this poor widow gave more than all those people who threw many coins into the treasury. The wealthy men gave just a small part of their riches which made no difference to them. But the widow gave all that she had."

You see, God is more interested in what is in the heart of the giver than the size of their gift.

Bible story based on Mark 12:41-44

A Mite in Jesus' time was a small brass coin worth 1/128th of a denarius. Typically a labourer was paid 1 denarius for a day's work.



In Britain, many years ago, a coin called a mite was in general use and worth half a farthing, a very tiny amount of money.