



# DARLEY DENE DISPATCHES

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## Headteacher's Message

We have had a very exciting week in school with the launch of our new children's community group called the 'Darley Dene Dynamos.' The credit for this new venture goes firstly to Mrs. Tozer, our School Business Leader who came up with the name, and then to Miss Legg and Mrs. Devonport who have poured their hearts into this initiative and generated a buzz among the children which is truly infectious. Children were given the chance to apply to be a Dynamo and the successful applicants were revealed in assembly yesterday. Please look out for more detail about the Dynamos further into the newsletter.

We had over 90 people attend our, "Meet the teacher" event on Thursday afternoon. Thank you to Mrs. Devonport for organising this and to Mrs. Butler and Miss Legg who presented to visitors alongside her. It is fantastic that so many of you were able to make this event and be welcomed into your children's classrooms to see where they spend their time and to look at the learning that is already in their books.

15 nursery and reception families came to our HSLW coffee morning this morning which is lovely. We are always trying to think of different events for our families so if you were not able to attend one this week, please look out for more opportunities throughout the year.

Our new caretaker, Mr. John Moody, starts with us on Monday 2nd October. We are all delighted that he is joining the team here and that our school will return to having someone taking care of it to a standard that our children and staff deserve.

## Reading

All children should be bringing books home to share with you. They will also read in school and be heard by both teachers and teaching assistants. Please make sure you sign your child's reading record each time you hear them and encourage them to share their book every day, even if it is not for long.

## Safeguarding

Please make sure you update the school office with details of emergency contacts for your child so that we know who to call if we cannot get hold of you. The office also holds a list of people you have given permission to collect your children on your behalf so please let us know if any of your contacts have changed.

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## Oracy

Our weekly oracy questions are sparking great conversations. Last week, the children were thinking about whether it was more important to be right, or kind. In assembly the children told me they thought both were important and it is especially important to be kind if we know we are right and have to tell someone so.

## Talk Question

**Is there more future or more past?**

## Celebration

All of our children are enjoying the opportunity to earn one of the new certificate. Well done to all of the children who have already been successful and good luck to everyone else for the coming weeks.

### Oracy Champions

Oscar  
Theo  
Aaliyah  
Harper  
Tyler  
Alan  
Isla  
Miguel  
Taliya

### Sports Stars

Ethan  
Adriel Tobe  
Noah L  
Joshua  
Lukas  
Esther  
Deenie  
Noah  
Faye

### Jigsaw

Mia  
Lorelai  
Yusef  
Sudem  
Lexi  
Lexi D

### Maths

Vladi  
Roman H  
Nancy – May  
Levi  
Paige  
Advik  
Lena  
Alfie  
Swayze

### Writing

Logan  
Reni  
Sienna  
Matthew  
Joshua  
Ines

## Explorer of the Week

Year 6 have tutoring sessions with Explore Learning on a weekly basis. Each week a Year 6 pupil will be awarded a certificate for the effort shown, commitment and, the amount of resilience shown towards understanding new concepts in their tutoring sessions. This week the Explorers of the week **Lillie**



## Gold Leaves

Congratulations to the children who earned a Gold Leaf this week. This could be for an exemplary piece of work, an over and above gesture of kindness, showing responsibility, perseverance, determination or other positive trait etc.

**OWLS:** Lilly

**SPARROWS:** Esmae, Aaliyah, Soleil

**JAYS:** Dolcie, Logan-Jay

**DOVES:** Sudem, Jude, Orest

**KINGFISHERS:** Darcy

**EAGLES:** Taliya, Roshan, Bahar

## Dynamos and House Teams

Here at Darley Dene, we are very excited to share with you something new we have launched - [Dynamos](#)!

The Darley Dene 'Dynamos' are made up of a group of children from across the school, who are going to be the **voice of the children within our community**. The Dynamos are going to have many roles within school including, sharing information with their classes, helping with sports day and organising events. Miss Legg and Mrs Devonport were blown away with the fantastic applications received from the wider school.

On Wednesday, we shared with the children the selected Dynamos from each class and they had their first meeting with Miss Legg. During this meeting, the Dynamos and Miss Legg discussed having house teams here at Darley Dene. The children came up with some amazing names.

After deciding our new house team names, the children were introduced to these during assembly yesterday:

Comet, Supernova and Meteor.



Each child is part of a house team and we are excited for them to become part of everyday life here at Darley Dene. Our Dynamos from each class:

|           | Supernova | Comet     | Meteor   |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Nursery   | Bradley   |           | Alihan   |
| Reception | Graham    | Fallon    | Leonard  |
| Owls      | Ethan     |           |          |
| Year 1    | Logan Jay | Leelou    | Alice    |
| Year 2    | Amelia    | Hanna     | Roni     |
| Year 3    | Ester     | Laanvanya | Caesar   |
| Year 4    | Freddie   | Jude      | Izabela  |
| Year 5    | Jacob S   | Gracie    | Miguel   |
| Year 6    | Angela    | Marwan    | Lucy-Ann |



## Messages from the School Office

### Absence

If your child is unwell or off school for another reason, please ensure that you phone the school office promptly on the first day of absence by 8:00am and report by pressing 1. We will contact you if your child is not in school when the registers close. For any medical appointments please email a copy of your appointment to the school office.

### Lunch Boxes

Darley Dene is a nut free school. Please do not send your child to school with chocolate spread Sandwiches for lunch as it is not possible to distinguish between Nutella and a nut free chocolate spread. If your child has a chocolate spread sandwich we will call home to request that an alternative be brought in. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Medication

If your child has been prescribed with medication which needs to be administered during the school day, please ensure that you complete a Pupil Medication Request form which can be found on the school's website or from the school office. Without the completed form staff will not be able to administer any medication.

### Wrap Club

At Darley Dene we offer extended care at our breakfast and after school Wrap Clubs in order to support our families should they require it. Wrap Club is open to pupils in all year groups, including Nursery. At Wrap Club we have a variety of activities for the children to take part in.

- Play dough, puzzles, Rubik's games, book corner, kitchen area. Lego, bingo, transformers, costumes, construction, dominos, 4 in a row, cards, balloons, dolls. Engines, bowling and a wide selection of board games.
- We have plenty of puzzle words, cut-outs, water colour, painting and colouring.
- We promote "Reading for Pleasure" and free art, providing different sorts of materials every week to expand our children's imagination.

### Breakfast Club

- The Breakfast Club is a safe, stimulating and nurturing environment, provided for those children who may have parents or carers with work commitments outside of the usual school hours.
- Children who join us for Breakfast Club enjoy an array of activities - ***from reading and crafts, to games and puzzles*** - supervised by our friendly and experienced team.
- The children are provided with a delicious and nutritious breakfast which includes ***bagels, toast, juice, cereal, yoghurts and a variety of spreads and preserves.***
- The Club can be booked online through ScoPay and operates from the school premises from 7.35am until the start of the school day.

If you are interested in finding out more about our Breakfast Club please contact the school office or visit our website.



## Book Fair

Thank you to everyone that supported and visited the Book Fair this week if you would like to order more books please use the following link

<https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/scholastic-schools-live>

## Trust Vacancies

### **Darley Dene School is recruiting:**

Are you ambitious and keen to make a difference? We are seeking to appoint a highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individual for the role of Teaching Assistant . This is an opportunity for an individual who is patient and emotionally resilient to join our friendly, inclusive and inspirational team of teaching and support staff. For more information please visit:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1369455>

### **Walton Oak Primary School is recruiting:**

We are looking to appoint a enthusiastic and caring individual who can assist in providing a stimulating and creative environment for children attending the After School club (Monday to Friday, 3:10pm to 6pm)

For further information please visit <https://www.eteach.com/job/after-school-club-team-member-1371443>

### **Walton Oak Primary School is recruiting:**

Walton Oak Primary School is looking to recruit a caring and enthusiastic person to join our Breakfast Club team. The right candidate will be willing to engage children in exciting play that makes them feel welcome and settled in our Breakfast Club (Monday to Friday, 7:25am to 8:35am)

For further information please visit <https://www.eteach.com/job/breakfast-club-team-member-1371436>

Have a lovely weekend.



Sarah Kober  
Headteacher



### FODD (Friends of Darley Dene) News

Don't forget our school lottery! Tickets are £1 each, buy as many as you like and it is open to friends, family and neighbours.

The weekly prize is 30% of the total school ticket sales for each week, so the more we sell, the bigger the prize!

40% will go to F.O.D.D to help buy extras for the children at Darley Dene, *and* there is also a national draw with the **chance to win £25,000** that you will automatically be entered into.

Please click onto the link below to buy a ticket!

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/darley-dene-primary-school>







Runnymede  
Family Centre



## Job Club



Looking for work? Come and visit the Job Club at Runnymede Family Centre (Addlestone) for one of our 1:1 sessions with ADP. Offering support with CV writing/updating, Interview techniques and help with online job applications



All sessions are from 10am-12pm:  
Tuesday 19th September 2023  
Tuesday 17th October 2023  
Tuesday 21st November 2023  
Tuesday 19th December 2023

Please contact  
01784 464395 for  
further details and to  
book your 30 minute  
session

PRIMARY SCHOOL





# TA SPORTS



## **GIRLS FOOTBALL COURSE** **OCTOBER HALF TERM 2023**

***Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October***

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***Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October***

***Venue:- Abbey Rangers Football Club (KT15 2QH)***

***Times:- 8.30am – 4.00pm***

***£28.00 Daily / £55.00 Two Day / £80.00 Three Day***

Designed for girls of all abilities aged between 5yrs  
to 13yrs!

- ☐ Playing in a fun, challenging & safe environment.
- ☐ Meeting new friends that have an interest in football.
- ☐ Develop technique, speed, tactics & improve skills & confidence.
- ☐ Professional FA qualified coaching.
- ☐ 3G Pitch and use of clubhouse.



If you would like further  
information or would like to  
book a place for your daughter  
to attend please kindly contact  
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