



# The Drive Community Primary School

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Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Website Updates – what has been uploaded this week?

All Friday letters and updates (not linked to specific areas: Safeguarding, Online Safety etc.), will be published in either: **Parents – Friday Letters – Spring 2 OR Parents – Letters and Flyers**

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<https://www.thedriveprimary.co.uk/friday-letters/>

## Year 5 Trip – Discovery Museum

Year 5 had a great time at the Discovery Museum. They worked together in groups and became engineers designing wind turbines. They tested their turbines in a wind tunnel and demonstrated a tremendous amount of resilience; making many intricate changes to their designs to see if they could create more energy. Each group created a turbine that worked, and it was great to see the different designs and most importantly the passion and enthusiasm amongst the pupils!

## Year 6 SAT Meeting

Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended the SATs meeting this week. If you have any further questions you would like to ask Mrs Graham, Mrs Cuthbertson, or myself, please contact school via class DOJO or give us a call and we will help in any way we can.

## Attendance – The League and attendance update

**0 points if attendance is below 96%**

**1 point awarded for weekly attendance figures between 96% - 97.5%**

**2 points awarded for weekly attendance figures between 97.6% - 98.9%**

**3 points awarded for weekly attendance figures between 99% - 100%**

No points this week. I really hope next week's attendance starts to show signs of improving.

As always, if you need any support with your child/children's attendance or punctuality, please speak to a member of staff.

Teams	Total Points	Overall Weekly Attendance
Nursery	0	74.72% -
Reception	2	93.75% -
Year 1	0	92.5% -
Year 2	1	90% -
Year 3	1	93.75% -
Year 4	7	94.58% -
Year 5	0	91.94% =
Year 6	1	94.17% +

Have a lovely weekend everyone and we will see you all next week.

Yours sincerely,

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Dates for the Diary (as they stand) – dates will be added to and possibly changes made. Keep an eye on our website calendar also.

Just a reminder, a 'C' will feature next to an event that requires parent/carer consent. PLEASE NOTE, CONSENT IS NOW GIVEN ON PARENT PAY [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). All letters can be found in Letters and Flyer on our school website.

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Items highlighted in yellow are parent/carer events.

Spring Term 2 2025 – 6 week half term	
Commences Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March - Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Spring Savings Family Learning – Year 2 and 3 Parents and Carers <b>Flyer issued 14.02.25</b> Limited places – Sign up on ParentPay
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Trip – Hancock Museum <b>C</b> <b>Letter issued 10.03.25</b>
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS Multi-Sports Festival <b>C</b> <b>Original letter sent 13.1.25.</b> <b>Second letter sent 14.3.25</b>
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Comic Relief <b>Letter issued 07.03.25</b>
	Year 5 – MOBO Workshop <b>More details to follow</b>
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 and Year 4 Trip - Mosque Visit <b>C</b> <b>More details to follow</b>
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Dance Festival <b>C</b> <b>Parents/Carers of children taking part in this event will receive up to date information when/if required.</b>
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Mothers and Others' Breakfast <b>9am in the Hall</b>
Week beginning 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Interfaith Week
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March and Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Parent Consultation Evenings – In person. <b>More details to follow</b> <i>Please note, Year 2 will have split sessions across the week. One evening will be held Monday 31<sup>st</sup> (Mrs McCartney) and the other Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> (Mrs Gallagher).</i>
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Boccia Competition <b>C</b> <b>More details to follow</b>
	Attendance Celebration <b>C</b> <b>The class who has been awarded the most points will be informed of the Attendance Team's planned event – more details to follow.</b>
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 1 Trip – Rising Sun Country Park <b>C</b> <b>Letter issued 04.02.25</b>
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 3 Trip – Arbeia Roman Fort <b>More details to follow</b>
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Intra-Sport Competition <b>C</b> <b>More details to follow</b>
	Year 5 Trip – Victoria Tunnels <b>C</b> <b>Letter issued 05.03.25</b>
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Spud Decorating <b>1 – 3pm</b> <b>How this event will be organised will be published nearer the time.</b>





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Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 3 Trip – Live Theatre <b>More details to follow</b>
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Break up for Easter
<b>Summer Term 1 2025 – 4 week half term</b>	
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Children to return to school from the Easter Break
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	May Bank Holiday Monday
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Reception – Vision Screening
Week beginning 12 <sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS Week
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Intra-Sport Competition
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Break up for Half Term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Children to return to school from Half Term



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