

Deans Primary School August 2025 Newsletter

Dear Parent/Carers

I am delighted to welcome you back to a new school year, I hope you all had a lovely summer. It was wonderful welcoming all our children back last week, and our new Primary 1 pupils have settled in so well, we are all very proud of all our pupils at Deans Primary School and we are looking forward to an exciting and successful year ahead. I am delighted to be getting the opportunity to work with such wonderful children, staff, parents and our wider community in Deans.

Mrs Butcher



Car Parking

We are aware that parking around the school is difficult, however can we please ask, for safety reasons, that the staff car park is **not used** when dropping off or picking up children. This is strictly for staff and visitors to the school.

Snacks

We encourage children to bring one healthy snack to have at morning break. Please avoid sending multiple snacks or sugary treats. **Lollipops should not** be brought to school, these will be taken from children and returned at the end of the day.

Support Squad

The Support Squad's first meeting of the session will be on Tuesday 2 September at 6pm. Please come along and support our school community.

New Staff

We are delighted to welcome Mr Weir, our new Depute Head Teacher, and Miss Reid, class teacher for P7/6. They already feel settled and part of the Deans Family.

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Deans Primary School Values

- Safe
- Supported
- Nurtured
- Included
- Valued
- Respected
- Challenged

School Uniform

It is lovely to see so many of our children in their full school uniform. Our uniform consists of a RED or BLACK Deans Primary School sweatshirt (with or without logo), red, yellow or white polo shirt (with or without logo), Deans Primary School red and white dress or black or grey trousers/skirt/shorts, black shoes.

Family Engagement Calendar

We are collaborating with staff at the moment to put together our Parent Engagement Calendar. We want to engage with our parents and community as effectively as we can. If you have any suggestions on how we can improve our engagement please get in touch.

School Clubs

We will be starting our clubs in the next few weeks. I would like to personally thank our wonderful staff who give up their own time to run these clubs. Within West Lothian, we are one of the schools that provide the most school clubs. This is only possible because our staff volunteer their time.

Getting in Touch

If you have any questions or are in need of help or advice, please contact the school; the Deans Team and I are always happy to help when and where we can.

Mr Weir and I will be in the playground each morning from 8.40am if you would like a quick chat.

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Diary Dates

We have some dates already in the diary for important events happening this session, please take a note of these.

Tuesday 2 September

Support Squad Meeting at 6pm – All Welcome

Thursday 25 September

NHS Vision Screening for all pre-school pupils

Monday 6 and Tuesday 7 October

School Photographs

Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 October

Parent/Carer Session 1 – booking information will be sent out nearer the time

Tuesday 4 November

NHS Flu Immunisations for P1 to P7 (letters sent home requesting consent are due for return by Friday 29 August at the latest)

Thursday 11 December

Community Carol Event in school - 6pm to 7pm

Monday 26 and Tuesday 27 January

Childsmile in school for P1 to P4 fluoride varnishing

Monday 23 and Tuesday 24 March

Parent/Carer Session 2 – booking information will be sent out nearer the time

Sunday 10 to Wednesday 13 May 2026

P7 Residential

Thursday 25 June

P7 Leavers' Event

For information about school holidays/in service days, please see the separate holiday calendar that was issued. All dates will be updated shortly on our school Parents Portal Calendar.