



# Deer Park Primary School

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Dear parent/carer

## What an Exciting Week!

It has been another exciting week here at Deer Park. On Monday our Year 5 and 6 children were visited by two members of the Derbyshire Police Force as they tried to solve the mysterious alien landing on the school field. On Tuesday our Year 6 children had their first fencing lesson and all the children enjoyed the Christian Assembly performed by the Crackpot Assembly Team. In the evening our PTA met and details of forth-coming events are featured on the reverse of this letter. On Wednesday we had friends from the Chesterfield branch of the Rotary Club begin the erection of the Eco Greenhouse and we conducted our own Remembrance Assembly for the children. On Thursday I had a visit from a headteacher of another school. He had heard about the great work our children are completing and he was particularly impressed with the standard of writing and general positive feel of the school, which is always lovely to hear. Today all of the children have placed LCD Tea-lights on our poppy artwork in preparation for our service tonight. A really busy, but terrific week here at Deer Park. Roll on next week!

## Anti-Bullying Week 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> November

As an Anti-Bullying school, we are taking part in the national Anti-Bullying Week championed by The Anti-Bullying Alliance next week. The children will take part in Anti-Bullying assemblies and work in classes, receive a wristband reminding them of the message this year as well taking part in workshops with invited speakers. In addition, we have a visit from Kaboodle Theatre Company who will perform for our infant children a play about bullying. Unfortunately, the performance from Dynamixx, a group that featured on this years X Factor has had to be cancelled as the band have broken up! However, I am sure we will round the week off in style with the French Day next Friday. Our children will be taking part in a range of French activities throughout the day and we are encouraging everybody to wear something French or come in Blue, Red and White. We are asking for a £1 donation which we will pass onto the Children in Need Charity.

## Spanish Lesson opportunity for our Infant children

A few weeks ago I was approached by some of our parents who have children in our Infant department. They enquired as to the possibility of Spanish Lessons at Lunchtime for our younger pupils. I am delighted to tell you that a Spanish Club will be starting in January and that the children will have a taster session in the next couple of weeks. A letter explaining about the opportunity for lessons will be distributed following the taster sessions.

## Parking

Can I please remind parents once again that parking on the Zig-Zag lines outside the school is breaking the law and potentially putting yourself and our children at risk. Please, please, please do not be tempted to park on these markings. Be considerate to others and have a respect for the law.

## And finally...

Earlier this week Lola from Year 3 and her sister Ava who is in our Reception class came to see me to bring me a large poppy that they had made last weekend. They had made a large number of the poppies themselves to sell at the Wingerworth Craft Fair and half of the money they raised they donated towards our Poppy Appeal Collection Tin. Thank you girls for displaying the generosity and respect we encourage here at the school.

Take care

S.K. Beardall  
Headteacher

PTO for PTA News



## **PTA news and dates for your diary**

### **Bags 2 School collection - 14th November**

Our clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for the Deer Park School Radio Project takes place on 14th November. [Bag2School](http://uk.bag2school.com) is the UK's leading textile recycler working with schools raising vitally needed funds, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. Please sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to [http://uk.bag2school.com/](http://uk.bag2school.com) for full details). You can use the bag provided and / or any other bin liner type bags. Please leave the bags at the top of the drive on the 14<sup>th</sup> November before 9:00am as the bags are collected at 9:30am. Thank you.

### **Nearly New Toy Sale - 24th November**

Please come along and snap up a bargain at our **Nearly New Toy Sale** on Friday 24th November between 2.45pm and 4.30pm in the school hall. Organised by the PTA, this sale gives you the opportunity to buy and sell nearly new toys and games. PTA helpers set up the 'shop' and take care of all the cash transactions. In addition to toys, we will also sell your nearly new Christmas Jumpers and Nativity Costumes. The festive season is coming soon and a Christmas Jumper day will be part of our children's school festivities! *(Usual toy sale guidelines apply to these sales, full guidelines have been issued previously and can be found on Deer Park App or website)*

Seller numbers are still available, contact Sarah Gibbins by text on 07957574680 for your unique seller number. **Any unsold items are to be collected on the 24th between 5pm and 6.30pm. Sale money can be collected after school on Monday 27th.**

### **Christmas Gifts for Special People - Monday 4th December**

Our first ever PTA Christmas gift shop will be open during the school day on Monday 4th December, children will have the opportunity to buy Christmas presents for the special people in their lives. Our elves have been extremely busy this year sourcing gifts suitable for family members at a price possible for children to buy with their pocket money; all gifts will be priced between 30p and £1.50, we suggest a maximum budget of £3 - £4 per child to be brought in on the day. The PTA elves will sell gifts to children and all gifts will be wrapped so you will receive a surprise on Christmas morning! We hope your children will get in to the Christmas spirit and enjoy the gift of giving.