



Danson Primary School Newsletter

Head Teacher's Notice Board

Dear Children, Mums, Dads and Carers,



Children, as we come to the end of another fantastic school year, I want to say a big **WELL DONE** to each and every one of you!

You have worked so hard, shown kindness, and kept going even when things were challenging. Whether you've been learning new things, making new friends, helping others, or just trying your best each day – you should be really proud of yourself.

This year has been full of special moments, laughter, and growth. You've all achieved so much – in the classroom, on the playground, in sports, in the arts, music and more. I couldn't be prouder. You make our school a better place every single day.

Parents, as we reach the end of another school year, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support, partnership, and trust throughout the year. Your encouragement at home, your involvement in school life, and your unwavering commitment to your children's education have made a real difference.

It's been a pleasure to work together to help every child grow, learn, and thrive. This year, we've seen our pupils achieve so much – academically, socially, and personally. Their resilience, curiosity, and enthusiasm have been inspiring, and it's clear that the support they receive from home plays a huge part in their success.

To those families who are moving on from our school community as their child moves onto secondary school we wish you all the very best for the future – you will always be part of our story. And to those returning in September, we look forward to another year of shared achievements and new experiences.

To all the staff at Danson, thank you for your tireless efforts, your collaboration, your good humour, and the countless extra miles you've walked. Whether you're in the classroom, in the office, on the playground, in the canteen or on school site supporting behind the scenes, everything you do matters, and it's deeply appreciated. Thank you to SLT for the work you do to support all aspects of Danson School Life.

On behalf of myself, Mrs Allen and the Danson team I wish you and your families a safe, restful, and happy summer break.

With warmest thanks,

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Summer Learning

Please see attached to the newsletter our 'Learning Together' document which showcases some of the wonderful learning the children have been doing in the summer term.



Science Celebration



I am absolutely delighted to share some exciting news with you all — our school has been awarded the Primary Science Quality Mark Outreach award – the highest level of PSQM accreditation from the University of Hertfordshire.

This prestigious recognition celebrates not only our commitment to excellent science teaching and learning within our school, but also the impact we have beyond it. Through sharing best practice, supporting other schools, and championing science education across our wider community, we are proud to be recognised as a leading school for primary science.

This is a fantastic achievement that recognises the hard work, curiosity, and enthusiasm our children bring to their science learning every day. From exciting experiments to brilliant questioning and discovery, our pupils have truly shown a love for exploring the world around them.

A special thank you goes to our science lead Mr Welsh and staff team who have made this possible. We're so proud of this accomplishment and look forward to even more scientific adventures ahead!

Science Club

This term, our children took part in exciting hands-on Science Club sessions led by sixth formers from Bexley Grammar School. Each week brought a new opportunity to explore science through fun experiments — from generating electricity with fruit and making fizzy bath bombs to discovering chromatography using Skittles. A highlight was learning how to make ice cream by hand — and tasting it too! A big thank you to our fantastic student leaders for inspiring our young scientists and making science come alive.



Maths Masters!

Miss Crowe and Mrs Jesney had the pleasure of taking six fantastic young mathematicians from Year 6 to Bexley's 2025 24 Competition. We entered two teams, both of which had been working incredibly hard in preparation for the event. Well done to Anaya, Zara, Ellen, Evelyn, Kaidee and Aarna—not only were your mathematical skills impressive, but your kindness and support towards other children during the competition was truly heart-warming to see.

We achieved the following awards:

Anaya - Highest Scoring Year 6 Student

Zara - Second Highest Scoring Year 6 Student

Anaya, Zara and Evelyn - Top Scoring Team

Ellen - Team Spirit Award

A huge thank you to Mrs Beazley for her dedication and hard work in running the Year 6 lunchtime maths club to get them ready for this competition!



Debating Debut



This year, children in Years 5 and 6 were invited to enter a national competition run by the Historical Association. Those who wished to be entered had to research and then speak about a place of significance in history that is local to them and explain why it was important and why others should know more about it. We had some amazing entrants and it was really challenging to pick our two contenders but Yosha and Lola Anne were both entered to represent Danson.

Both children did incredibly well and we were so proud of them. Yosha made it through to the final which was held on the 8th July and made a passionate speech about the Woolwich Arsenal, which was a place close to her heart, and although she didn't win, she represented Danson impeccably and was a credit to us.

Well done to all the children who made a speech and special well done to Lola and Yosha.

Sporting Success

Well done to all the children who have represented Danson in a sporting competition this year, you have all been a credit to the school.

Congratulations to our Year 6 trophy winners at Thursday's Leaver's Assembly.

Award	Name
Outdoor Adventurous Activity Person of the Year	Emily M
Cricketer of the Year (boy)	Bobby B
Cricketer of the Year (girl)	Talya O
Footballer of the Year (boy)	Mason L
Footballer of the Year (girl)	Holly F
Outside club achievement	Ahkyn B
Outstanding achievement in sport (boy)	Elliot M
Outstanding achievement in sport (girl)	Leah B
Team of the Year	Mixed Tag Rugby



Congratulations to Fraser who competed in the London Open for Taekwondo last weekend taking part in Poomsae (patterns) and Kyorugi (Sparring). Amazing job on winning three silver medals and good luck in your black belt grading.

Puppy Power!

Congratulations to Achilles who received the top prize at the National School Dog Alliance's awards. We were delighted to have the children attend the awards ceremony with Achilles at the Houses of Parliament. The children were very excited to receive a tour from Mr Louis French our local MP. The children and Achilles were absolutely exceptional during their visit and were outstanding ambassadors of Danson. Well done everyone!!



Mrs Foskett inspiring us to become Artists- THANK YOU!!



Year 6



Wire sculptures
Year 3



Year 1 Leeds Castle



Reception- making a 3d
sculpture from a sketch
that they drew



Soap sculptures and batik Year 4

Monoprinting Year 5



THE WEST END IS CALLING!

On Wednesday night we were treated to our own little bit of the West End at Bexley Grammar School. Our Year 6 pupils truly shone in their spectacular production of *The Wizard of Oz*! From the confident performances and colourful costumes to the wonderful singing and teamwork on stage, it was a joy to see their hard work come to life. The energy, enthusiasm, and talent they brought to every scene were simply outstanding. A huge well done to all the children involved, and heartfelt thanks to Miss Sims, Mrs Beazley, Mrs Healy, Miss Jesney, Miss Bedias, Miss Mc Caffery and Miss O'Hara who supported them behind the scenes. It was a performance to remember — and a perfect way to celebrate their final week at Danson!





Pupil Voice

Our Year 6 Pupil Leadership Group have been busy speaking to children across the school to capture what they have enjoyed this year at Danson. We look forward to sharing this on our website in September! Thank you to Fletcher, Rose, Ahkyn and Freya for being such a fantastic group of leaders. Next year's group have big shoes to fill!

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

We had a very proud but also emotional afternoon during our year 6 leavers assembly yesterday afternoon. It was a pleasure to celebrate the children's final achievements and successes at Danson. Thank you to our Parents' Association for their contribution towards the children's jumpers. The children were delighted to receive them to wear today.

Attendance at Danson

Congratulations to all our pupils who achieved their bronze, silver and gold badges for their attendance.



Highest attendance this term

Congratulations to **Elm** for having the best attendance of **97.9%** in EYFS and Key Stage 1 and to **Dahl** for having the best attendance of **97.9%** in Key Stage 2.

Best punctuality this term

Congratulations to **Ash** for having the best punctuality of **99.7%** in EYFS and Key Stage 1 and to **Blackman** for having the best punctuality of **99.9%** in Key Stage 2.

Highest attendance this year

Congratulations to **Owl** for having the best attendance of **96.7%** in EYFS and Key Stage 1 and to **Dahl** for having the best attendance of **97.7%** in Key Stage 2.

Best punctuality this year

Congratulations to **Ash** for having the best punctuality of **97.7%** in EYFS and Key Stage 1 and to **Henry** for having the best punctuality of **99.6%** in Key Stage 2.

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NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Dates for your diary

Monday 1st September - INSET DAY

Tuesday 2nd September – YEAR 1 – 6 CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL

Wednesday 3rd September - RECEPTION CHILDREN START SCHOOL-Staggered Start