

Newsletter

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THIS MONTH'S VALUE

Cooperation

'A boat doesn't go forward if each one is rowing their own way.'
Swahili proverb

HEADS UP FROM MS. BROOKES

March has been another busy month – Spring has well and truly sprung! A highlight for March was our Neurodiversity Celebration Week which focused on celebrating the talents of neurodiverse minds, challenging stereotypes, and continuing to promote an inclusive culture in our school. As we always say, 'We are all different, we are all welcome!'

As a school, we are always seeking to find ways to ensure our communication channels are effective by reaching as many parents/carers as we can. I am pleased to share that DPS will soon be producing fortnightly podcasts which are child led and will provide an opportunity to share latest news and events, whilst also covering a range of topics which matter to our children. These podcasts will be shared in classrooms and also on our school website, so please look out for our first podcast, led by Mr. Parkinson, coming soon! Finally, may I use this opportunity to respectfully and politely remind parents/carers that if you have a concern/worry about your child in school, please make an appointment to speak with a member of our staff. We are always here to listen. Many thanks for your continued support and we wish you all a relaxing and happy Easter break.



DIARY DATES

- 1/4/2026 – school closes at 3.30 pm.
- 1/4/2026 – final orders to be made for Rev. Richard Coles' new book.
- 2/4/2026 – school closed for staff training.
- 13/4/2026 – school reopens for new term at 8.50 am.
- 21/4/2026 – Parents' Evening 3.35 – 6.35 pm.
- 22/4/2026 – Parents' Evening 3.35 – 6.35 pm.
- 28/4/2026 – SEND Parents' Meetings (KS 2).
- 29/4/2026 – SEND Parents' Meetings (EYFS/KS1).
- 29/4/2026 – Author visit KS 2 (Richard Coles).

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Our attendance target is at least 96% attendance.

Whole school attendance for March:

97.13 %

Thank you to everyone for valuing education and continuing to ensure that your children come to school every day and on time.

Remember, every lesson counts!

The following classes have won the best overall attendance for March. Well done! You have all earned an extra playtime for your super attendance.

EYFS – Grey Owls: 97.69 %

KS1 – Barn Owls: 99.13 %

KS2 – 3B: 98.89%

Reaching for the stars!

caring | collaborative | courageous | ambitious

FOCUS ON

Inclusion

Here at D.P.S., we work hard to create an inclusive culture. This means working to create an environment where everyone feels welcomed, respected, empowered to contribute and thrives. It is very important to us that all of our children feel like they belong, as part of our DPS family. We strive to do this by:

- Having high expectations for ALL of our pupils; we believe that everyone can achieve and thrive, but some of us may need additional support or reasonable adjustments along the way.
- Providing extensive pastoral support to look after our pupils' social & emotional needs and wellbeing.
- Providing calm, safe spaces to regulate.
- Through our school values, particularly focusing on being kind and respectful.
- Through this powerful, but simple message: **We are all different, we are all welcome!**

SPECIAL EVENTS

Rev. Richard Coles to Visit D.P.S.

We are delighted to welcome a very special visitor to D.P.S. on Wednesday 29th April – the Rev. Richard Coles. He is visiting to share his first ever children's book, *A Heist Before Bedtime*. Dive into the world of dastardly heists, daring escapes and bungled burglaries with this hilarious collection of twelve TRUE crime stories for kids! Please order your copy of his book by 1/4/2026 (see website). A special thank you to Urmston Bookshop.

Inclusion Video – if you are interested in finding out more about our inclusive culture, please visit our school website to view a special video about Inclusion, made by Mr. Parkinson. Listen to our children talk about what in inclusion means to them.

'When everyone is included, everyone wins.'

Jesse Jackson

SNAPSHOT OF D.P.S.



World Book Day
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THE DAVYHULME PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA TEAM

There has been some amazing fundraising from recent PTA events:

- Year 1/2 Disco - £400
- Bag 2 School - £156
- Someone Special Stall - £500
- Pre-Loved Uniform Sale - £596
- Easter Hamper Raffle - £250

These events aren't possible without support from parents and teachers. If you would like to receive updates on how you can help, please email Davyhulmeprimarypta@outlook.com

Pre loved donations

After a very successful pre loved sale last week, we are running low on branded school items (ties, jumpers, cardigans, sweatshirts and PE kit). If you have anything to donate, please leave in the cycle shelter to the side of the school office. Please can we ask that it is in good condition (no holes or stains). Thank you!

Due to current stock levels, we can no longer take donations of navy shorts, trousers, white shirts, joggers, skirts or summer dresses.

PARENTS / CARERS

WhatsApp and social media guidance

To aid communication between parents and carers, many of you will have WhatsApp groups, which operate independently of the school. We recognise that Class or Parent/Carer WhatsApp groups are a very useful and efficient way of communicating to the whole class or groups of parents.

However, we respectfully remind you that WhatsApp groups should never be used as a platform to air views, queries, questions, grievances regarding a member of school staff, child or parent in the school community.

We strongly advise that any concerns/issues should be addressed directly with school. Thank you.