# DEER PARK DEER PARK newsletter ISSUE 11

# HEADTEACHER'S HELLO!

It was an absolute privilege to watch our students host the Hampshire secondary **Equality and Rights** Advocates conference. We always reaffirm with the students that it is their kindness, commitment and creativity that creates the ethos and culture here at Deer Park and this was a perfect opportunity for them to interact with other students and staff from around the county to showcase all they have achieved so far. Alongside this our students have excelled in a range of other ways over the past two weeks and you'll see some of those individual and group successes below. Dance Live! was amazing so thank you to everyone who made the road trip to Poole in support.

Have a lovely weekend when it arrives. Mr Jones



## **MEET MRS SMITH**

Hello my name is Mrs Smith. I work in the Additional Support department as the SEN Administrator and Lead Learning Mentor at Deer Park. I love working with students and supporting them to reach their full potential.

I run Lego Club and enjoy building new creations every week with the students

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I enjoy spending time with my family and my new Dachshund puppy, Eddie. I also like to challenge myself so last October I completed the London Marathon for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust. I walked/ran for a total of 8 hours, which was a huge achievement.

One of my favourite quotes is "You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." — Christopher Robin, Winnie the Pooh

## **DEER PARK SOCIAL MEDIA**

Our social media platforms are a great way to keep up to date with everything school related.



You'll see the many wonderful things happening at Deer Park by going to our Instagram page @deer\_park\_school. For all of our up to date information, follow our Twitter @deerpark\_school and our newly published

<u>Facebook page - Deer Park School</u>

## UNICEF TURKEY AND SYRIA EARTHOUAKE APPEAL & COMIC RELIEF



On Friday 17th March we will be supporting Comic Relief along with the Unicef Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal. Students are invited to wear non-uniform for a suggested donation of £1. There will also a bake sale at break. All proceeds

will be split between both charities.



**FRIDAY 17 MARCH** 

**EDUCATION FOR LIFE** 

This half term students will return to the 'Health and Wellbeing' strand of the Education for Life curriculum. In line with the RSE statutory guidance the students will have 3 lessons on the following subjects:

#### YEAR 7

- 1. Healthy Lifestyles & Changes in Puberty
- 2. Inappropriate & Unwanted Contact
- 3. My Body, My rights

#### YEAR 8

1. Self Esteem & Social Media

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- 2. Body Image
- 3. Building Self Esteem and Confidence

As always, should you have any questions or concerns regarding the Education for Life curriculum please do not hesitate to contact the school.

# LITERACY - WORLD BOOK DAY **CELEBRATIONS!**

On Friday 3rd March, Deer Park celebrated its second ever World Book Day!

The theme this year was 'Roald Dahl' and the students were most amused by the fancy dress outfits of the members of staff - from Enormous Crocodiles to Oompa Loompas!



Over the course of the day, students were read an instalment of a Roald Dahl Story - The Sound Machine - which explored an instrument that was able to hear sounds that humans couldn't, including the emotions of flowers being cut!

First break involved a Roald Dahl themed treasure hunt and all correct entries were entered into a draw to win a chocolate bar - the winning ticket selected by Willy Wonka herself! There was also a prize for guessing the 'shelfies' aka pictures of teachers' bookshelves.

If you haven't yet - don't forget you can use the World Book Day token up until the 26th March 2023 in Sainsburys and other supermarkets for either one of the free WBD books or £1 off another book.

Thank you for all of your support and encouragement in getting our students to read!

# EQUALITY AND RIGHTS ADVOCATES (EARA) CONFERENCE



On Wednesday 8th March, we welcomed the Hampshire secondary Equality and Rights Advocates conference.

During this conference, sixteen year seven and year eights who form the Diversity group within our Student Leadership team discussed important issues surrounding inclusion and diversity. A highlight of the conference was listening to the Hampshire and Isle of White Police Youth Commissioner share the important work surrounding hate crime which is taking place

at the moment. Brilliant ideas were shared from each of the seven secondary schools in attendance, and the Diversity group look forward to implementing some exciting new initiatives at Deer Park.

Well done to everyone who took part!





On Thursday 2nd March, 47 students travelled to the Lighthouse, Poole to take part in the Dance LIVE! 2023 competition. We had a fantastic day dancing to music, watching performances from other schools and most of all, finally having the chance to perform our piece that we have been working on since September.

As a school, we are so proud of every single student who has been a part of the Dance LIVE! project, whether that was being a part of the performance team, set design team or film and editing team. Your hard work and dedication not only led to a wonderful performance, but it also helped us to win 2 awards on the night, the Technical Award and Concept Award.

Well done and thank you to everyone involved. Looking forward to Dance LIVE! 2024.

## CROSS COUNTRY HAMPSHIRE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Maisie B, Maisy T, Oliver J, Oliver M, Jaden C, James H, Bernie R-W, Oliver K who were all selected to represent Eastleigh district at the recent county championships. A special mention to Maisie B (Yr8) who has qualified to run for Hampshire at the South East England schools round later this month.

## SOUTHAMPTON SCHOOLS FOOTBALL CUP

Two huge performances from our year 7 boys and KS3 girls football teams see them qualify for the semi-finals of the Southampton schools football cup. The boys host Greggs school in a home game Monday 13th, and the girls host Cantell on Tuesday 14th with both fixtures here at Deer Park School. Goal scorers; Poppy O, James H, Jake A, Jacob M, Oli D.

# HOUSE SPORTS COMPETITIONS W/C - MONDAY 27TH MARCH

In the final week of term house badminton (27th) and football (29th) will take place during the usual extra curricular time (3-4pm) giving those who have not represented our league teams the opportunity to represent their house team in a competitive fixture. Students can sign up during tutor time in the coming weeks. This is our first round of house sports competitions outside of our annual Festival of Sport, so by taking part, students will be taking part in a small part of Deer Park history.

## **SPARE PE KIT**

Please could any spare PE kit that has been borrowed from either Dance or PE be returned as soon as possible?

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Skoolkit Deer Park Deer Park School School Price Reductions On Embroidered Shirts Only applies to sizes already embroidered Available from our Eastleigh Store or online at

# YEAR 7

In assembly this week, Year 7 focussed on National Careers Week. Having already done a unit on careers in education for life sessions, it gave the year group the opportunity to reflect on their aspirations in the coming years. For many, this is a daunting process, and the assembly focussed on the steps they can take now to explore which career path they may wish to explore. They were asked to talk to their parents about the jobs they have done and their work/life balance. They were also reminded about the extracurricular activities on offer al Deer Park which can give them a mole new insight into different subjects and

Finally, congratulations to Hannah T who won the February famed and framed competition with her photo of 'natural beauty'.

# YEAR 8

Year 8 have now completed their Taster Lessons, giving them a flavour of what KS4 will look like in each subject. With students able to access the pathways form from today, it's a good time to remind them that they can still speak to subject teachers about any of the subjects available to them, in order for them to make an informed decision before the form closes on 20th March. A letter has been sent home to all year 8 parents with further details.

Finally, it was great to spend some time with the Year 8s who participated in the Dance Live! performances last week. Each of the students did an incredible job, making memories that will last a lifetime.

## HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS VACCINATION - MONDAY 13TH MARCH

For those students who have consent the first HPV vaccination will be taking place at Deer Park School on Monday 13th March 2023.

The electronic consent system for HPV is now closed. If you still wish to consent to your child receiving the HPV vaccination access to the system will reopen the day after the immunisation session. The student will then be offered the vaccination at the next opportunity in school. Parents only need to complete 1 consent form per student.

## SAFER INTERNET DAY

Safer Internet Day took place on the 7th of February, with celebrations and learning based around the theme:

#### 'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'

All students were taught an eSafety lesson during their ICT lesson that week. Students discussed the theme and designed an advice leaflet for younger pupils e.g. Year 6 on getting their first phone in the summer; ready to start Deer Park and Wildern in September. The top three leaflets can be seen below and will be shared with our partner schools for Year 6 learners to read. Well done to Emily J and Anna Q-M, Sebastian C and Matthew H, Eloise D and Faye A.

Well done to all of the students who took part, there were too many brilliant designs with excellent advice to choose from, therefore I am awarding Gold eRefs to the people below and all work will be showcased on the digital signage around school!

Lily H, Isabelle B and Malaika L, Yuna Z and Isla C, Ryley S, Jayden P and Grace A, Katie E and Lexi H, Robyn P-J, Arabella V, Abigail S, Liam H, Jake A and Oliver K, Grace F, Maddison L and Coral W, Carlo P, Luca P and Owen B, Amar S and Jack B, Izzy O and Layla R.



## **ONLINE SAFETY**

At National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one platform of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.



Facebook Messenger is a communication and chat application which is part of the wider Facebook platform and has been a standalone app on mobile devices since 2011. Through Messenger, users can exchange messages and send photos, videos, stickers, gifs, audio files and play games. It allows both one-to-one conversations and group chats, has a 'stories' feature and provides the ability to set up a video call session with up to 50 people at a time through its latest update, Messenger Rooms. That's why we've created this guide to help parents and carers understand exactly what Facebook Messenger is all about.





#### ADDICTIVE NATURE

Whereas Messenger is integrated into Facebook itself on a desktop or laptop, it is a separate app on mobile phones. It is similar in separate app on mobile priores. It is similar in many ways to other messaging platforms with the added bonus of being able to upload stories, make live video calls and have group chats, beyond just standard text messaging. All of this can encourage children to spend more time on the app and on their phone, contributing towards increased levels of screen time.

#### LIVE STREAMING RISKS

Through its latest feature, Messenger Rooms, Facebook now offers the ability to hold live video calls with up to 50 different users. Although video calls aren't new on Messenger, this latest addition pushes the "live streaming" element of the app, which is also linked to WhatsApp and Instagram, and doesn't necessarily require a Messenger account. This can heighten the risk factors around privacy, security and being exposed to explicit or inappropriate content from other users with little, to no, prior warning.

#### REQUESTS FROM STRANGERS

Messenger cannot work without creating a Facebook account first. From here, if your child sets their profile to public, there is a chance that children may receive message requests from people they don't know. There have been reports of online grooming on Facebook and some people use fake profiles to reach out to children they don't know to try and encourage them to engage in conversation.

#### OVERSHARING PERSONAL INFORMATION

Messenger can be an easy way for children to overshare personal or sensitive information with people they don't know. If Messenger is granted access to their photo library, links a phone number to the account or enables location settings, children can potentially share their private photos, videos, mobile number and even their current location with others.

#### # BULLY CYBERBULLYING RISKS

Like many other social media platforms or messaging apps, Messenger can be an avenue for cyberbullies or trolls to target children through online abuse or sending nasty private messages. This might be in the shape of harassment from others or being purposely excluded from or targeted in group chats.

You can setup your child's profile on Facebook so that only friends can contact them. Similarly, on Messenger, parents can make their child's 'stories' feature only visible to their friends list. Not adding a phone number also means that your child can't be found by searching for their personal number. This helps to keep their account more secure and less likely to be found by people they don't know.

# Safety Tips for Parents & Carers

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**EXPLAIN THE DANGERS** 

#### **REPORT INAPPROPRIATE** BEHAVIOUR

If your child experiences anything negative on Messenger or is sent content from someone which makes them feel uncomfortable, they should speak to you about it and report it directly to Facebook. Users can also be blocked from messaging your child further and if your child doesn't want to display to others that they are online, they can switch off their active status from the settings.

#### DISCUSS LIVE STREAMING RISKS

peak to your child about how to use video calls ifely and securely. Make sure that when setting p video calls on Messenger Rooms, invites are hy sent to friends and family that your child nows and only allow people into the 'room' who rey trust. Discuss how they should behave and at they should act responsibly during a live tream, even if it is with people they know.

## Meet our expert

Alex Wright is a former Facebook employee and social media expert with over 15 years' experience working in digital media. He has worked with some of the biggest organisations in the world and has a wealth of knowledge in understanding how social media platforms work and how they engage their audience.

SOURCES: https://www.facebook.com/help/massenger-app/ https://www.androidcentral.com/how-make-facebook-massenger-

www.nationalonlinesafety.com Twitter-@natonlinesafety Facebook-/NationalOnlineSafety Instagram-@nationalonlinesafety

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Give examples of how Messenger has been used by other users pretending to be someone else to get information that they may do harm with. Tell your children that whilst Messenger is a great way for people to communicate and have fun, not everyone is who they claim to be and that they shouldn't accept messages from people they don't know and shouldn't share any private information, such as pictures, videos or their location, with strangers.

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#### SECRET CONVERSATIONS

Messenger has a function called 'Secret Conversations' which means that your child

Conversations' which means that your child can have encrypted end-to-end conversations with another user. Unlike regular chat on Messenger, these messages can only be viewed on the device being used and are not transferred to anywhere else where Messenger is logged in. Messages can also be set to delete after a time, although screenshots can still be taken. This means your child could engage in a private conversation with someone, who may look to take advantage of them, but leave no record of any previous messages. previous messages.

#### TARGETED ADS & DATA SCRAPING

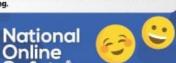
Facebook uses algorithms to understand how users interact with their platform and also what they're interested in. Messenger is not immune to this, and data shared - even between your child's firends - can be used to target children with advertisements around topics such as health, fitness, beauty, celebrities or something else which might not always be age-appropriate. RD

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MESSENGER ACCOUNT

Some parents insist on checking their children's messager regular





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Safety #WakeUpWednesday

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## **PERSONAL BEST EDUCATION TEEN PROJECT - EASTER HOLIDAY**

Personal Best Education are running Teen Projects across several locations in Hampshire during the Easter holidays.

Teen Project provides additional support to families during the holiday periods. They offer FREE places for young people who are in receipt of benefit-related free school meals.

Additionally, they can offer places for young people who meet any of the following criteria:

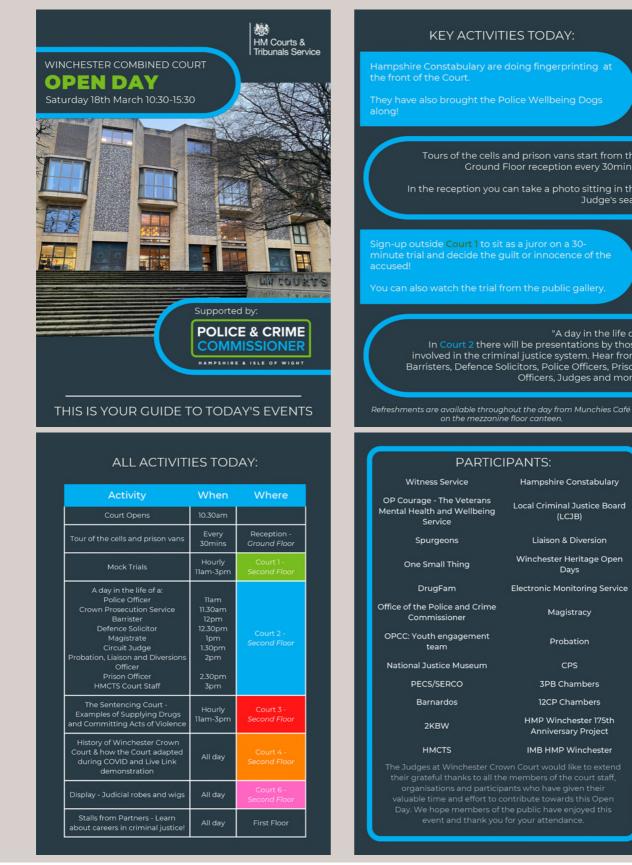
- \* Children assessed by the local authority as being in need, at risk or vulnerable
- \* Young carers
- \* Looked-after children or previously looked-after children
- \* Children who have low attendance rates at school or who are at risk of exclusion
- \* Children living in areas of high deprivation or from low-income households who are not in

receipt of free school meals

A hot lunch and healthy snacks are provided for each benefit related free school meal child in attendance.

Please book using <u>this</u> form.





# **UPCOMING DATES**

| Date               | Activity                               | Year Group |
|--------------------|--|------------|
| Monday 13 March    | Week B                                 | All Years  |
| Monday 13 March    | Human Papillomavirus Vaccination (HPV) | Year 8     |
| Friday 17 March    | Non-Uniform Day/Bake Sale              | All Years  |
| Monday 20 March    | Week A                                 | All Years  |
| Wednesday 22 March | Dragons Den                            | Year 7     |

**KEY ACTIVITIES TODAY:** 

Ground Floor reception every 30mins.

In Court 2 there will be presentations by those involved in the criminal justice system. Hear from:

Barristers, Defence Solicitors, Police Officers, Prison

PARTICIPANTS:

Witness Service

Service

Spurgeons

One Small Thing

DrugFam

Commissioner

team

PECS/SERCO

Barnardos

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HMCTS

Judge's seat!

"A day in the life of"

Officers, Judges and more!

Hampshire Constabulary

Local Criminal Justice Board

(LCJB)

Liaison & Diversion

Winchester Heritage Open

Days

**Electronic Monitoring Service** 

Magistracy

Probation

CPS

**3PB** Chambers

12CP Chambers

HMP Winchester 175th

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