



An update from Miss Lawrence (Headteacher) and Mrs Hickenbottom (Deputy)...

Remembrance Day

This week and last week, our children have been learning about Remembrance Day. This week we observed the two-minute silence to pay our respects as a school. Thank you for all of your donations to the Royal British Legion. Danemill raised £349.40.

Online Learning

We continue to support our children who are in self-isolation through online learning. Please ensure that your child is completing their work at home as we are working hard to provide the lessons ensuring that they are not falling behind.

You will notice that work may be on your child's TEAMS every week even if the children are in school. You do not need to complete this unless your child is isolating.



Avatar

We are receiving quite a few requests about Avatars. Children must have an avatar for their picture on TEAMS. This can not be a picture of them. Although our TEAMS are private for Danemill, others can see your individual profile and by having your child's picture on there, it compromises safeguarding.

Parents Evening

We are nearly at the end of our first round of parents evening. You will be noticing that you have started receiving a short report for your child.

This is designed to keep communication open during times where we would normally have face-to-face discussion. It will detail your child's areas of strength, attitude to learning and next steps.

If you have any questions or want to share any positive progress, then please email office@dsatdanemill.org and this will be passed to your child's class teacher.

Nativities and School Tours

We are currently working to be able to provide the school tours online. This will support you if you have a child that will be joining EYFS next year.

We are also in the process of writing nativities that will be able to be viewed online so the children can

have the experience and also so that you can view them!



Deadlines

Just a reminder that if your child is due to start EYFS in August 2021 then you need to apply for their school place by **Friday 15th January 2021**. **Please note that we have already started receiving applications.**

Applications can be made via the Leicestershire County Council Admissions Website.

Face Coverings

Please can you ensure that you wear your face covering when dropping off and picking up your child. We appreciate that this is an advisory measure, but it is a way of protecting our staff and children. We want to be able to do everything we can to limit infection and keep our school open for our children.

Guidance for reporting a COVID positive case

Please note that if your child tests positive for COVID, you must contact us whether this is in school hours or

out of hours so that we can seek support and guidance from the Department for Education and/or Public Health England.

If it is within school hours, then please contact us via usual ways - office@dsatdanemill.org or call 0116 2862674.

If this is out of hours, then please email covid@dsatdanemill.org

Accelerated Reader

We have just completed our next round of accelerated reader tests from Y3-6. This test is added to a variety of other reading assessments for us to make a well-rounded judgement on your child's reading ability.

We have developed a short letter that will update you on your child's progress with Accelerated Reader and these will be coming home in the next week or so.

Speech and Language - Miss Hickinbottom

Miss Hickinbottom has begun her work with small groups. These can be focusing on speech and language but also on social skills and vocabulary. We do need permissions for your children to be part of these groups. We wanted to make you aware of this just in case you receive a letter in your child's book bag.

CONTACT US

Please call: **0116 2862674** or email: [**office@dsatdanemill.org**](mailto:office@dsatdanemill.org)

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