

Newsletter June 2025



😤 June Newsletter: A Month Full of Adventures! 🜿 🐾 🎉

June has been an incredibly eventful and exciting month for our students! From thrilling trips to Woodlands, Hatton Farm, and the Safari Park, to the energy and enthusiasm of Sports Day, our calendar has been packed with unforgettable moments.

Each experience brought new learning, laughter, and opportunities to grow — whether it was exploring nature, discovering animals, or showing off athletic skills on the field. And with even more activities and celebrations sprinkled throughout the month, it's safe to say June has truly been one to remember!

👏 Staffing Update

As the school year comes to a close, we say a fond farewell to:

Mrs Lax, retiring after 13 wonderful years at Slade

Miss Witherington, starting a new chapter at another school

Mr Bennett, moving to a specialist SEND school

Miss Brindley, becoming Assistant Headteacher at Deykin Primary

We thank them all for their dedication and wish them the very best for the future.

We're also excited to welcome new team members in September:

Mrs. Hill (Year 6)

Mrs. Enderby (Year 4)

Miss Talbot (Year 3)

Mr Deakin (Year 2)

Mrs Lampitt will step into the Nursery Teacher role as Ms Jennings moves into Reception

We look forward to an exciting year ahead with our growing team!









Year 2 Adventure Trip



Year 2's Thrilling Day at Woodlands Adventure!

Year 2 had an action-packed day at Woodlands Adventure, filled with exciting outdoor activities and team-building fun! From the adrenaline rush of zip lining and the challenge of wall climbing to testing their aim in archery, the children embraced every moment with enthusiasm and courage. It was a fantastic opportunity to build confidence, try new things, and make unforgettable memories in the great outdoors.





EYFS Hatton Farm Trip

Welcome to our latest update from the Early Years Foundation Stage at Hatton Farm!

Animals and the Tea Cup Ride This term, our little ones have had the wonderful opportunity to interact with the animals at Hatton Farm. From gentle rabbits and fluffy chicks to curious lambs, the children have loved learning about each animal's habitat, diet, and sounds. These hands-on experiences have sparked so much curiosity and joy!

A particular favourite was the Tea Cup Ride, where children enjoyed a fun and gentle spin on the farm's colourful tea cup ride. It was a thrilling experience for our EYFS explorers and brought lots of laughter and smiles! The ride was a great way to develop their confidence and enjoy time together outdoors.

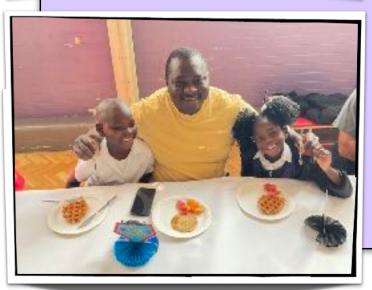
Family and School Fun Day We are excited to announce our upcoming Family and School Fun Day! This event will be packed with farm-themed games, craft activities, and even a chance to meet some of the animals up close. It's a perfect occasion for families to join in, enjoy the sunshine, and celebrate the wonderful learning journey of our EYFS children.











Celebrating Our Fantastic Fathers!

We were delighted to welcome so many dads, grandads, and special father figures to our Father's Day Breakfast at school. It was a lovely morning filled with smiles, laughter and plenty of delicious food! From fluffy pancakes and golden waffles to hearty breakfast baps, everyone enjoyed a tasty start to the day.

As a small token of appreciation, each dad received a keyring—a special keepsake with love and care from the children. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the important role fathers play in our lives: offering love, guidance, and support every step of the way.

Thank you to everyone who joined us and made the morning so memorable!





Year I's Wild Adventure at the Safari Park!

Year I had an amazing day out at the safari park, filled with awe, excitement, and wideeyed wonder! The children were thrilled to see a whole range of incredible animals up close — including towering giraffes, majestic elephants, powerful lions, and many more.

As we travelled through the safari trail, there were gasps of delight and plenty of curious questions as the children spotted animals they had only seen in books or on screens. It was a fantastic learning experience, bringing their wildlife topics to life in the most memorable way.

From feeding time to fun facts shared by the rangers, the trip gave the children a deeper appreciation for the animal kingdom and the importance of protecting these magnificent creatures.

A big thank you to the staff who helped make the day such a success!









Sports Day Success!

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What a fun-filled and energetic Sports Day we had! The sun was shining, the races were competitive, and the cheers from our supportive parents and families made the day even more special. It was wonderful to see so many of you there, encouraging the children and celebrating their efforts.

Despite the heat, the children showed incredible determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship in every event —from sprints and relays to obstacle courses and more. We couldn't be prouder of their enthusiasm and resilience.

A huge thank you to Mr Scadeng for organising such a fantastic day. His hard work and planning ensured everything ran smoothly and everyone had a great time.

Well done to all our young athletes—you were amazing!





ATLP Awards

Absolutely — Rameen, Eza, Ethan, and Yahya should be incredibly proud of themselves.

To be selected for recognition out of thousands of students across the Arthur Terry Learning Partnership is no small achievement. Whether they were celebrated for kindness, creativity, courage, leadership, or simply being their best selves — it's a clear sign that they've made a lasting, positive impact.

Their efforts didn't go unnoticed — and being honoured in such a special way at Drayton Manor shows just how much their schools, families, and communities value who they are.

Well done, Rameen, Eza, Ethan, and Yahya you've earned every bit of that celebration!













Celebrating Our Rights Respecting School Journey!

We are proud to announce that our school has successfully achieved both the Bronze and Silver Rights Respecting School awards! This is a fantastic recognition of our commitment to promoting children's rights and creating a caring, respectful community where everyone's voice is heard.

Our whole school has worked hard to learn about the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) and to make sure these rights are part of everyday school life. From classroom discussions to school projects, our students and staff have shown great dedication to understanding and respecting everyone's rights.

Now; we are excited to begin working towards the Gold Award — the highest level of recognition. This next step will deepen our commitment and put even more focus on ensuring children's rights are respected, protected, and enjoyed by all.

Thank you to everyone who has supported us on this journey — together, we're making our school a safe, inclusive, and rights-respecting place for all.

Say Hello to Our New General Waste and Food Waste Bins! 🛟 🍏

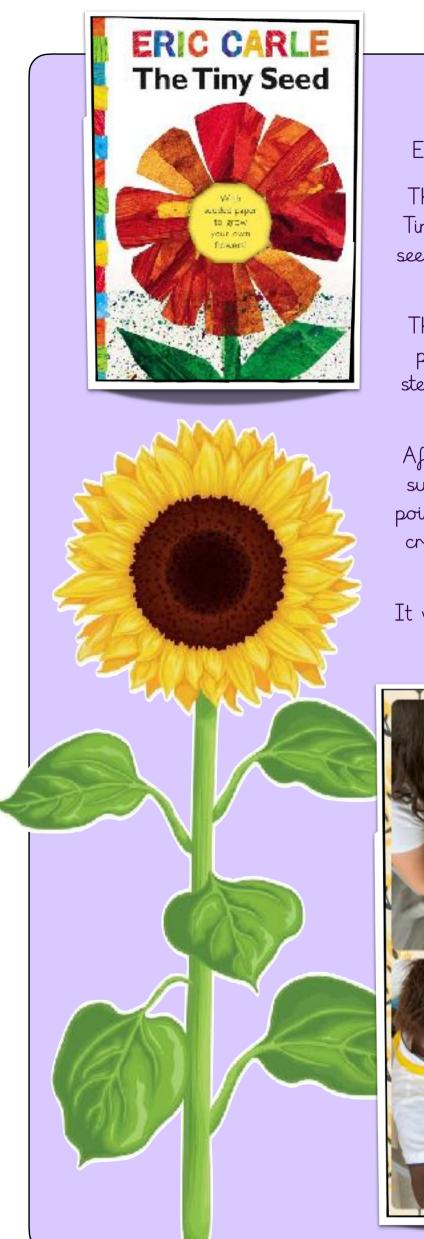
We're excited to introduce brand new general waste and food waste bins in the dinner hall! These bins are a great step towards helping our school become greener and more eco-friendly.

Our Rights Respecting Steering group will be taking the lead on deciding how we can teach and encourage everyone to use the bins correctly and neatly. They'll be coming up with fun ideas and reminders to help us all reduce waste and take care of our planet.

Let's work together to keep our school clean and green!







Early Interaction

Exploring The Tiny Seed and Making Sunflowers.

This week, our little learners enjoyed the story The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle. We read about how a tiny seed travels through wind and weather to grow into a big sunflower.

The children learned about the different parts of a plant — like the roots that grow underground, the stem that holds it up, the leaves that catch sunlight, and the bright petals that bloom on top.

After the story, everyone had fun making their own sunflowers using paper, colours, and stickers. They pointed to the roots, stem, leaves, and petals on their creations, practicing new words and ideas through play.

It was wonderful to see their curiosity and smiles as they explored plants together!









Year I-6 Colour Run - Friday 11th July at 2pm

On Friday 11th July at 2pm, all Year 1 to 6 students will participate in a Colour Run to raise funds and awareness for Batten's Disease.

Please ensure your child brings in clothes that you don't mind getting messy or potentially ruined. We kindly ask for a £1 donation to support this important cause. If you do not wish for your child to take part in the Colour Run or get messy, please return the slip sent home with your child. If we do not receive a slip, we will assume your child has permission to participate.

Thank you for your support!



https://bdfa-uk.org.uk/ get-involved/donate

Nursery and Reception will engage in messy play for the charity. Please send your child into school with clothes that you don't mind getting not mind getting ruined. £1 donation.



This month's discussion-'Which season is your favourite and why?'

Sentence stems-My favourite season is..... I like this because..... I am going to challenge you.....

Challenge

Disagree or present an alternative argument

Start by saying:

- I disagree because ...
- To challenge you X, I think ...
- I understand your point of view; but have you thought about ...?









2nd July - Move up Day

3rd July - Wear own clothes (Chocolate donation)

3rd July - Summer Disco (ticket only)

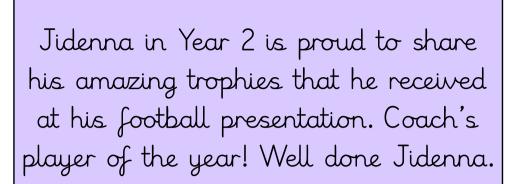
4th July - Teachers Training Day (school closed for all children)

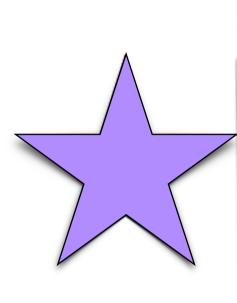
Star City Trip

9th July - Summer Fair 3.30-5pm

Symphony Hall Choir ONLY

18th July - Leavers assembly





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As much as we love telling you of all the AMAZING things that your children do whilst in school we want to hear from you!

Any achievements, activities or celebrations that you would like to share with Slade and all our families, please do. We would love to hear and celebrate with you.



Send any information/photos to enquiry@slade.bham.sch.uk with the subject title 'my magical moments'

We can't wait to see and share.

Medication in School

Does your child need to take medication whilst in school?

- 1. <u>Medication Forms:</u> You need to fill out a form in the office for any medication your child needs during school hours.
- 2. <u>Inhalers</u>: If your child has an inhaler, the school will send you a text to inform you of number of puffs administered. All inhalers should be signed in with a spacer.
- 3. <u>Calpol (or similar medications)</u>: If your child requires Calpol, the school will contact you for permission first. If you've provided a supply, they will use it; otherwise, they'll ask you to bring some in.
- 4. <u>Medical Conditions:</u> Any existing or new medical conditions should be reported to the office.
- 5. <u>Antibiotics:</u> These will be stored in the main office fridge and given to your child according to the form you've filled out.
- 6. <u>Eczema Cream & Inhalers:</u> These will be kept in the classroom for easy access.

Spacer



The school gates open daily at 8.40am and lessons start promptly at 8.55am. Please make sure your child is on time so that they do not miss any of their learning time.

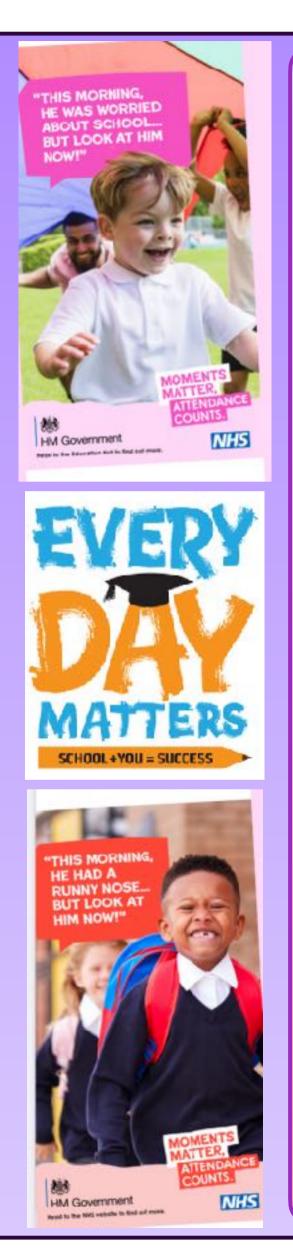
Nursery AM 8.30-11.30am. Nursery PM 12.15-3.15pm. KS1 8.45am - 3.20pm. KS2 8.45am - 3.25pm.

Please can we remind you that you are unable to drop your child to the office before school time without prior arrangements being made and confirmed. This would only be considered in the case of an emergency. Also, a reminder that it is of high importance that your child is collected on time from the classrooms. Ensure that you call the office if you are running late, and time after 3.30pm your child will be sent to kids club at a late charge of £5 every 30 minutes.

If your child is unwell and not be able to attend school, it is essential that parents call the office.

0121 675 0618 from 8am or email <u>enquiry@slade.bham</u>.sch.uk. Please make every effort to get in touch so that we can ensure the safety of your children.

If you are unable to collect your child yourself and have made other arrangements please contact the office asap with a name and password to ensure that we are following our safeguarding rules.



Attendance

Please can you ensure that non-emergency dental and optician appointments are booked outside school hours.

For any other medical appointments, we ask for evidence with via letter, appointment card or email. This is to support your child's authorised absence.

All lessons start promptly at 9.00am. Please can you ensure your child arrives by 8.55am through their allocated gate to avoid any learning time being missed.

We want our children in school and learning. Please support us with this by avoiding any unauthorised leave during term time. This ensures your children do not miss out on any learning and avoids any potential fines you may receive for taking unauthorised leave.

We aim for all children to achieve 96% or above attendance.

If your child is absent from school please report to the school office 0121 675 0618