

d'Auvergne Weekly Update



Dear Parents and Carers,

Head Teacher's Comments

Teaching Staff September

Interviews continued during half-term to complete the teaching staff recruitment for September.

Louis du Feu, Leah Mitchell, Robin Blake, Katherine French and Gina Hill will return to d'Auvergne at various points over the next 12 months.

I am delighted to present the following team. Parents will be informed of their child's teacher in early July; we are still finalising lists.

Deputy	Alexandra Wheaton		
SENDCO	Sally Lacy-Kerr		
Teacher Coach	Susie Wilkinson and Katherine French (until October)		
EAL & French	Kamila Kruk		
Music	Morag Crespel		
Reading Recovery	Alison Keogh		
Futures 1	Esther Mason		
Futures 2	Matthew Williams		
Nursery	Hannah Fage		
Reception	Rachel Lutkin Clarke	Jodi Shurey	
Year 1	Kirsty Aubert	Natalie Andre Brown	
Year 2	Taylor Hogan	Emily Shingles	
Year 3	Rhian Davies	Rebecca Harris	Eve Chadwick
Year 4	Aaron Worthington	Sarah Bolton	
Year 5	Kirsty Lee	Sophie Condlyffe	
Year 6	Kieran Henderson	Thomas George	Jes Baikins

PTA Summer Fayre

Keep the date! **Sunday 25th June, 11.00am start.**

We need bottles of drink, quality bric-a-brac, books – please start donating to school asap!
We shall be requesting cakes nearer the time.

Visit of a class from Rennes

Last Wednesday d'Auvergne hosted 22 pupils from Jean Moulin – a primary school in Rennes accompanied by their teachers. Our Y6 pupils were paired with the pupils from Brittany to chat in two languages and walk the French guest around the school. After that

the pupils enjoyed a Samba music session and outdoor learning playing la Pétanque and getting to know each other.

Kind regards,
Mr Cooper

Year Group Updates

Futures

Our beans are ready to harvest!

We have been out in the polytunnel, watering and carefully tending to our bean plants and they have rewarded all our hard work with fresh, juicy and delicious beans! The children learnt how to use the secateurs safely, how to remove the beans from their pods and then watched as the teachers boiled them up to eat.

We are looking forward to our tomatoes ripening and our courgettes and cucumbers growing a little bigger so we can try those too!



Have a great weekend
Mrs Mason & the Futures team

Nursery

The wonderful Nursery crew have marched back into our routine with ease this week. With seven weeks of learning and fun left we have hit the ground running by visiting the "big" woods behind d'Auvergne, releasing butterflies and learning all about being brave through the story *Arnie The Accidental Hero*.

Down at the woods we did a full circuit, including all the steps and your children walked beautifully. We will be revisiting these woods often over the next few weeks.

If we have any final volunteers to walk with the children on June 19th - please let me know.

"y-y-y" is our sound of the week with a picture of a "yak" to aid our remembering. Unfortunately, there are no children with this as their special sound this week.

Please send your child to school with a hat on - and we will keep teaching them to pop it on their pegs when not on their heads.

Have a lovely (windy) weekend!

Mr du Feu & Team

Reception

What a super start to our first week back after half term! The children have come into school ready and raring to work their socks off for the next 7 weeks before the end of term; we still have so much more learning to do.

We started the week thinking about travelling to far off distant places, Australia, Africa, Spain and France and learnt how to write postcards to our friends and families. Some children chose to stay closer to home and wanted to visit London, Southampton or even deciding to take a holiday in St John! We learnt that we needed to keep our handwriting small so we could fit more writing on the postcard and tell everyone about the weather and what we enjoyed doing whilst away.

In maths we are consolidating knowing our numbers to 20 and solving addition and subtraction problems. We are encouraging the children to use actual objects (concrete) draw the maths problem (pictorial) and write the equation (abstract).

For example,

$10 - 3 = ?$ Ask your children how many objects do they need to draw? Draw 10 on your paper. What does the sign mean? Adding (addition/plus) or taking away (subtraction/minus). How many do you need to cross out? How many are left?



Please encourage simple problems like this at home but ensure they draw what they can see. Lots of children are fantastic at calculation but they struggle with explaining their answer.

Reminders:

- PE days are still Mondays and Thursdays
 - Suncream and sunhats please
 - Water bottles
 - Foundation Stage School Walk (separate letter parent mailed) **Monday 19th June.**
We still need parent helpers so if you haven't already spoken to either of us, please consider joining us, we'd love you to come along 😊
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Year 1

We have had a lovely first week back after half term. This week in literacy we have been focusing on writing a recount of the story 'Handa's surprise.' The children have been working on ensuring their writing has capital letters and full stops in the right places, using lots of adjectives in their writing and writing their recount of the story in the correct order.

In maths this week we have been looking at multiplication. The children have been counting the number of equal groups they can see and how many items are in each group. From this they have then been counting in 2's, 5's and 10's to count how many objects there are altogether. Children would benefit from consolidation at home.

In topic we have been looking at the 7 continents and where our fruit comes from. We have listened to the continent song and the children understand that the food that they eat comes from many different places around the world.

Reminders:

- We have our trip to Hamptonne coming up on Wednesday 14th June, thank you to parent helpers that have offered to support us on this trip.
- The school walk is also coming up on Monday 19th June. Please let your child's class teacher know if you would like to support with this.
- Please send your child in with a named hat and suncream to top up throughout the day as the weather is getting warmer.
- Please read with your child every day and record this in their homework diary as well as encourage your child to practice their spellings weekly.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Andre Brown and Miss Aubert

Year 2

The children of Year 2 had a fantastic day on Wednesday travelling East. Our field trip took us to the Harbour, Le Hocq, La Rocque, Gorey Castle and St Catherine's Breakwater. We answered many questions posed by the children about their island home of Jersey. Every

child visited at least one location in the East that they had never been to before. Over the summer, they might want to show you Robin Bay next to La Rocque and a secret route through the grounds of Gorey Castle. We are still all trying to figure out how St Catherine's Breakwater was constructed! If you have any knowledge of this, please share it with your child so that they can enlighten us!

Next week, we travel West to some exciting destinations to answer more questions about our unique, beautiful island. Watch this space!

Year 3

Welcome back to the final half term in Year 3. We shall be Historians and Scientists this term learning all about the Stone Age and Light. We hope that you have seen and chatted to the children about the topic, using the Vocabulary sheets that came home with your child before half term. If you have not seen this, please check the bags or let us know if you need another copy.

The children have started the week reflecting on their time in Year 3 so that they can write up their own comments for their final reports. We have also begun reading the book 'Stig of the Dump' by Clive King. Each of these sessions involved a lot of conversation and debate.

We have been working hard on how to have a good discussion and the importance of proving to the speaker that you are listening. We thought this might come in handy at home!

Key things to show that you are listening well are:

- **Am I facing the person talking?**
- **Am I making eye contact with the speaker?**
- **Can I respond or make a comment about what the speaker has said?**

Please let us know if you can join us for a day at 'La Hougue Bie' on Wednesday, 12th July from 10am - 2.30pm for a day of historical discovery, art and exploration.

Next week our spelling pattern will continue with words using the **pattern 'ei' to make the sound 'ay'**. Words such as, **vein, beige, feint, reign** will be included and the children will be writing these in complete sentences on Monday morning.

A reminder that our **PE** days will remain the same - **Tuesdays and Thursdays**. In both sessions we will be focussing on Athletic skills such as throwing, running and jumping.

As always, please do ask if you have any questions. Our emails are below,

Best wishes,

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Year 4

This week we have had a busy first week back in Year Four!

We have started our Poetry work in English and have been having lots of discussions about the impact of poetry and what features are used within this.

Secondly, we have been focussing on measurement and time. For 4T, they have been looking at measurement and for 4C they have been looking at time. It has been great to see the children working on their times tables recently and there is also assigned work on Mathematics and Maths Tutor for them.

In Science this week we have been looking at Animal Habitats which has linked in with our two extra-curricular activities this week, a trip to St Clement's Parish Hall and a virtual Ocean workshop for World Ocean's Day. The children really enjoyed both of these activities and we are looking forward to exploring this topic more over the coming weeks.

We have also started our cricket lessons this week with Dom from Jersey Cricket and have focused on catching and had a small game of tornado cricket. We have been continuing to practise our trumpets and clarinets and are now starting to learn pieces on these!

We wish you a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Trigg and Miss Condlyffe

Year 5

This week in writing we have started looking at persuasive writing and what the features of persuasive writing are. We have discussed the differences between facts and opinions and how these can be impactful when writing persuasive pieces.

In maths, we have continued with the geometry topic, using protractors to draw acute and obtuse angles. We have also been looking at different quadrilateral shapes, discussing whether they have parallel lines or not, and if they do how are these pairs shown on a shape.

In PE, we had our first session of cricket which we will be continuing with for this half term. We practised the skills of bowling and fielding, can your child remember how their hands need to be held to catch the ball effectively?

In topic, we learned about the rationing that took place during WW2, looking at rationing books and discussing what foods were rationed.

We also started our new computing topic where we used Purple Mash to look at and make 3D models of shapes and objects.

You Matter came to give a talk on puberty to all three Y5 classes this week. We hope this has been informative for your child and we will be returning to this topic over the next few weeks.

A polite reminder to please charge laptops at home and come to school with a charged laptop ready to use each day.

It's a very busy half term so please make sure you keep an eye on our weekly updates to ensure nothing is missed.

Year 5 team

Year 6

We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half-term break. We're in the last term of Year 6 and our time at d'Auvergne Primary School now! We have enjoyed our Hive Hackers sessions this week and are looking forward to our Gaelic Football tournament. As it's taking place on Friday, we'll have to give our shout outs next week.

In Writing, children have been planning their end of d'Auvergne reflections. It's amazing what memories we all still remember – from Reception onwards. Additionally, the children stood up in front of their whole class to read their speeches out. We are *incredibly* proud of their efforts, here. Most children said that they felt nervous beforehand, but afterwards they had admitted that they were glad they did it. This is exactly the type of resilience we expect in Year 6. Well done, everyone! Soon we will have picked our in-house winners for the *Speak Up, Speak Out* competition.

In Reading, we are making our way through the *Secret of Platform 13*. Raymond is as spoilt as ever; Mrs Trottle is as insufferable as one can be; and the rescuers are clued up on where they both might be hiding... Later this term, we will have a skilled and renowned artist join us to give us a *Secret of Platform 13* themed art day!

In Maths, we have used our knowledge of shape, area and factors to complete the 'Mondrian Maths challenge'. Children were given rules on how they could plot shapes onto a grid in order to score a low number. It's amazing how frustrating but engaging this type of maths thinking can be! We all had to make mistakes in order to learn the more effective methods. Ask your child about it!

Next Tuesday (13th June) please ensure that all pupils come to school wearing full d'Auvergne uniform – the smartest they can be. No PE kits please. This is for our report photos. It will be the last photo of our year 6's at d'Auvergne, so they should look as smart as possible.

A reminder about PE days for the rest of this term:

6AW and 6H: Monday and Wednesday.

6B: Wednesday and Thursday.

Home Learning WB Monday 12th June

Reading: Daily for 20 minutes. Please remind your child to record this in their homework diary.

Maths: Maths Tutor and TT Rockstars.

Spelling: See Google Classroom.

Achievers

In 6AW this week, the achiever is Coen! Since the beginning of the year Coen has grown and developed his confidence beyond measure. Beginning with his dedication to the activities on the John Muir, continuing throughout the year reaching and excelling at various milestones, committing to the residential in the UK and this week reading his speech for 'Speak Up, Speak Out!' in front of the whole class. Well done, Coen, we are all so proud of you.

6B's achiever this week is someone who composed and performed an impassioned speech sharing their views on equality, bullying, rights, and how we can do better. I was blown away by your speech, Daniel. You should be very proud of yourself, and I have no doubt that you will continue to advocate for people's rights far into the future. Well done!

The achiever in 6H this week is Hollie. She has absolutely smashed her maths learning. She has shown an excellent level of deeper thinking and shown her ability to solve non-routine problems. I am so proud of Hollie's resilience and independence in the activities we have undertaken in maths this week. Great job Hollie, keep it up!
