

How did our pupils perform?....

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Deanburn Primary School and Nursery Class Standards & Quality Report Session 2008/09

National Assessment Attainment		2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
Reading	Deanburn School	90	90	84	85
	EA	84	85	85	85
Writing	Deanburn School	86	85	80	85
	EA	81	81	81	82
Mathematics	Deanburn School	92	90	90	92
	EA	87	88	87	88

EA = Education Authority Average

It is encouraging to note that standards in Reading, Writing and Maths attainment have all risen since the previous session.

The Management Team have maintained a rigorous monitoring programme throughout the session. This will continue next session in order to ensure consistently high standards and further raise attainment for learners.



Dear Parent/Carer,

As you probably know, each year the government and the Council publish information designed to show how well schools and local authorities are improving pupil performance year on year.

In similar fashion, we in Deanburn Primary School and Nursery Class would like to tell you how we are progressing in our school. This leaflet has been designed to do just that. It is our "Standards and Quality Report" for last session.

Inside, you will find a brief description of our main achievements during last session. Whilst we do many things in the course of a year, we have focused on what we consider to be the most important areas. I have outlined the school's main priorities for next session.

I hope you find the leaflet helpful. If you have any questions about it, please do not hesitate to phone the school office for an appointment. I will be pleased to offer clarification.

Miss M Ogilvie
Headteacher



What we achieved in 2008-09

- A successful Science & Technology Fair was organised in conjunction with Global Science, involving pupils P1-P7. This resulted in school securing Government grant to take part in Climate Change Project.
- The school was awarded its second Eco Schools Green Flag as a result of our ongoing commitment to Environmental issues.
- A whole school Health Programme was implemented at all stages and the school achieved Health Promoting Schools Award at Level 2.
- Views of pupils, staff and parents focus groups were taken into consideration and the school's Anti Bullying initiatives were updated in our Positive Behaviour Policy.
- Smartboards were installed in every classroom including Nursery further encouraging active and participative learning at all stages.
- A very successful Nursery-P1 transition project was implemented and Cluster Nursery Network meetings initiated, enabling our children to experience the best possible start to their education.
- Range of parental workshops was extended to include – P1 curriculum, SMARTBOARD and Maths along with Open Afternoon and Parents' Evenings.
- A Nursery Parents' Forum has been set up. It met twice during the session and discussed the Nursery Improvement Plan, changes to the Nursery Brochure and a number of other issues that the parents wished to raise.



Our priorities for 2009-10

- We will continue to promote effective learning and teaching through the framework of "Curriculum for Excellence" with particular focus on Literacy, Numeracy and Health & Wellbeing.
- Parental involvement will continue to be encouraged and welcomed with the school's vision shared with parents through induction meetings, further curricular workshops, regular newsletters, school website, awards ceremonies, concerts, open days and Parents' evenings.
- We look forward to our involvement in "The Northern Lights Greenland Expedition" and "Global Science Climate Change" projects which will further enhance pupils' environmental awareness by helping them develop informed views in evaluating environmental issues.
- We will implement new Science programmes and will extend this to Technology after programmes and resources have been reviewed and evaluated.
- The Nursery will extend their learning and teaching into the 'Outdoor Classroom' based on a successful model from Norway. The 'Outdoor Classroom,' will offer the children many opportunities to share success, build motivation, resilience and self-confidence using a range of experiences across the curriculum.
- We will develop and embed our updated Positive Behaviour Policy throughout school at all stages.

