# Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery

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## Headteacher's Message

Today is the last day of the year and we bid farewell to our Year 2 children, as well as a handful of pupils from other year groups. I hope they all enjoy their new schools and I wish them all the best for the future. We also have some staff leaving. After 12 years with us, we say goodbye to Julie Bradley, who is retiring, Suzanne Marson and Liz Wooldridge who are leaving us to work at Leamington Hastings School, also Ally Morton who has been working in our Nursery along with Gabriela Byers, who has taken a new role at Lawrence Sheriff School. Finally, Olena Collyer, one of our Midday Supervisors. I am grateful to all of them for everything that they have done for all the school.

Over the holiday, we have our Holiday Club for the first four weeks, improvements being made to the Reception outdoor area and the replacement of the Hall roof.

I would like to thank all our families for their ongoing support and I hope that everyone has a restful holiday.

## Ian Dewes head@dunchurchinfants.co.uk

Extra-curricular Activities 3 - 7 September 2018				
Monday 3rd	Teacher Training Day			
Tuesday 4th	3.15 – 4.15pm Year 2 Sports Club			
Wednesday 5th	3.15 – 4pm Spanish Club 3.15 – 4.45pm DM Football			
Thursday 6th	3.15 – 4.45pm DM Football			
Friday 7th	12-1pm French Club 1-3pm Violin/Cello Lessons 3.15 – 4.15pm Year 1 Sports Club			

## CALENDAR

Reminders for 3 – 7 September 2018			
Monday 3rd	Teacher Training Day		
Tuesday 4th	8.45am Welcome Back to School		
Wednesday 5th	No Spanish Club today		
Thursday 6th			
Friday 7th			

## **PUPIL AWARDS**

ATTENDANCE AWARD For the week ending 13 July 2018						
	Attendance %	No. of Late Arrivals	Overall Score	Trophy Awarded to		
Little Owls	98.0	2	96.0			
Elf Owls	95.6	2	93.6			
Barn Owls	99.3	0	99.3			
Snowy Owls	95.3	6	89.3			
Spectacled Owls	98.6	0	98.6			
Tawny Owls	89.3	2	87.3			

## **TERMLY GREEN AWARD Awarded to Snowy Owls**

Well done to the children in Miss Clarke's class, for keeping their classroom and working environment the cleanest and tidiest throughout this term!

Awarded by our caretaker, Mr Haggan, and his assistant, Mrs Turtle

## **LUNCHTIME GOOD BEHAVIOUR AWARDS Awarded by Mrs Burdett and her lunchtime staff**

Rainbow Room	Everyone
Blue Room	Everyone
Red Room	Everyone
Little Owls	Everyone
Elf Owls	Everyone
Barn Owls	Everyone
Snowy Owls	Everyone
Spectacled Owls	Everyone
Tawny Owls	Everyone

## YEAR GROUP - CLASS INFORMATION

#### **NURSERY** The children have had fun this week! They had their end of year celebration at the park in Dunchurch: there was a picnic, we played **RAINBOW** games and also did some exploring; we all had a lovely time! They **ROOM** have also been playing lots of party games in the classroom, including Musical Bumps and Pass the Parcel. The children have been showing lots of interest in princesses and knights, too, and have made beautiful crowns and shields. The children loved performing their Leavers' Assembly for you all yesterday; we hope that you loved it too! We are super proud of BLUE ROOM our pre-schoolers, they have blossomed into a lovely group of kind, funny, independent and knowledgeable children, who we have **RED ROOM** loved teaching and getting to know over the last year or so. We wish them lots of happiness in Reception - we are sure that they will be awesome! **RECEPTION** This week, the children have planned the Continuous Provision LITTLE OWLS **ELF OWLS** across the unit. They have reflected on all the different ways they have enjoyed learning and voted on which activities to explore. They have also been applying their phonics knowledge when completing their Star Learning. In phonics, we have covered all of the phase 3 digraphs and on Wednesday, we all enjoyed the teddy bears picnic. Have a good rest over the summer holiday and we look forward to seeing how the children progress throughout their time in Year 1. YEAR ONE In Year 1 this week, we have worked as a team to see who could **BARN OWLS SNOWY OWLS** build the tallest tower using spaghetti and marshmallows; we then used our rulers to measure and compare the towers. We have been taking part in transitional activities, ready to move into Year 2. We have used various materials to investigate colour mixing and completed a science experiment to see which liquid would mix the colours of skittles the best. We have also re-capped on our Maths and English skills to complete different investigations, ready for Year 2. YEAR TWO What a fantastic end to a brilliantly successful year! The **SPECTACLED** TAWNY OWLS children really enjoyed performing to you and we loved their **OWLS** enthusiasm and hard work. We wish all the children the best of luck for the next chapter in their learning; they will all be dearly missed.

## **NEWS, REQUESTS & REMINDERS**

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

This week, our congratulations go to......

**Lily N** for receiving her 10m swimming award

Laycie L for taking part in ASH Stage Production's performance of The Wizard of Oz

**Chloe D** for receiving the Trinity Guild RFC U16 Coaches Award

Max B for being awarded a 'Man of the Match' 'Soccer Rockz' medal

Alfie C, James C and Beau McN for winning an U7's football tournament playing for Rugby Town Pumas

**Hugo N** for being awarded the 'Man of the Match' football trophy

**Aurelia S** for being awarded various Rainbow Guide badges – far too many to mention!

Alfie R for being awarded a 'Soccer Rockz' medal for playing well in a recent tournament

**Caitlin-Rose S** for being awarded an Angela Rippon dancing trophy

Well done everyone!



#### **THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everyone that was kind enough to bring in gifts and cards for members of staff. We hope you all have a lovely summer and wish the pupils leaving us this year the best of luck for the future.

Find 'Dunchurch Infant & Nursery School PTA' on Facebook or e-mail

dunchurchinfantpta@gmail.com

if you would like to find out more

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Minutes of all PTA Meetings are now available on the school website

www.dunchurchinfants.co.uk under 'Parent Zone'

#### **TERM DATES 2018/19**

#### **Autumn Term 2018**

Teacher Training Day
Monday 3 September
Term Starts
Tuesday 4 September
Half Term
Monday 29 October – Friday 2 November
Teacher Training Day
Friday 23 November
Term Ends
Friday 21 December

#### **Spring Term 2019**

Teacher Training Day
Monday 7 January
Term Starts
Tuesday 8 January
Half Term
Monday 18 – Friday 22 February
Term Ends
Friday 12 April

#### **Summer Term 2019**

Term Starts
Monday 29 April
Bank Holiday
Monday 6 May
Half Term
Monday 27 - Friday 31 May
Teacher Training Day
Friday 21 June
Term Ends
Friday 19 July
Teacher Training Day
Monday 22 July

FAMILY HOLIDAYS MUST ONLY BE BOOKED DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PERIOD



#### **WOODY'S BLOG**

Hello

Well, I can't believe that I've been a school dog for a whole year! You have all been so lovely to me; taking me for walkies, helping Mrs Beech train me and reading me lots of lovely stories. I've had a fabulous time getting to know you all and I'm really looking forward to lots more fun times ahead.

Good luck to all of the Year 2 children moving on to their new schools; I hope you settle in quickly and make lots of new friends.

Have a lovely relaxing summer everyone!

Woof, woof from **Woody xx** 

## DATES FOR YOUR SCHOOL DIARY 2018/19

# Tuesday 11 September English Evening for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Parents

Find out how your child's year group is taught English 6.00 – 6.30pm or 6.30 – 7.00pm (you only need attend one of the two sessions)

# Tuesday 18 September Maths Evening for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Parents

Find out how your child's year group is taught Maths
6.00 – 6.30pm or 6.30 – 7.00pm (you only need attend one of the two sessions)

## RUGBY IN BLOOM - the results are in!

We are **VERY** pleased to announce that, following the judging of 'Rugby in Bloom' recently, our school was awarded the highest accolade of PLATINUM for the poppy display! That's twice in two years!!

Many thanks to **EVERYONE** that helped us achieve this award – needless to say, we are over the moon!

#### E-SAFETY TIP

As we finish for the summer holidays, remember that to keep your child safe when using the computer, you can visit:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/ https://www.vod afone.com/content/digitalparenting.html https://www.childnet.com/resource s/kia/

https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/

for advice

#### **SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB**

### 07810 175 463

This number is held by the Summer Holiday Club staff, should you need to get in touch with them regarding your child for any reason; thank you.

#### **GOODBYE & GOOD LUCK**

Sadly, today, we are saying goodbye to the following members of staff:

Mrs Marson - Year 1 Teacher Mrs Wooldridge - Reception Teacher Mrs Bradley - Year 1 Teaching Assistant Mrs Byers – Nursery Early Years Educator Mrs Morton - Nursery Early Years Educator Mrs Collyer - Nursery Midday Supervisor

We wish them all well for the future – you will **ALL** be missed ⊗

On a happier note, we have welcomed back Miss Shrimpton, Reception Teacher, from her maternity leave ©

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Well done to the following pupils for their 100% attendance and not arriving late during the whole of the school academic year!

That is a HUGE achievement and the school applauds you ☺

Imogen G - Tawny Owls
Lola G - Tawny Owls
James C - Spectacled Owls
Gracie B - Spectacled Owls
Hugo N - Snowy Owls
Jack D - Snowy Owls
Alfie E - Barn Owls
Harvey C - Barn Owls
Evangeline W - Elf Owls



#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PTA

The PTA has raised an impressive £7,300 this academic year for the school and nursery! Well done to everyone that has supported and helped raise this money - here is a list of recent projects and materials funded by the PTA:

Games for SEND children at the school (Special Educational Needs and Disability)
A stage and seating for the Reception outdoor area (to be installed over the summer)
Benches for the playground

A mud kitchen for the Reception outdoor area (to be installed over the summer)
Gift vouchers for the Year 2 leavers
A Year 1 visit from the children's author, David Lucas
A Year 2 visit from Polar Explorer, Mark Wood

As you can see, the money raised has provided the children with wonderful opportunities and fantastic new equipment - thank you again for supporting the PTA!

If any parent or carer would be interested in getting involved in helping with fundraising activities during the next academic year, please come along to our Welcome Meeting on **Wednesday 19**September at 7pm in the School Hall, or contact us at <a href="mailto:dunchurchinfantpta@gmail.com">dunchurchinfantpta@gmail.com</a>