

Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery



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Headteacher's Message

Yesterday all the children in school and nursery (with the exception of Rainbow Room) gathered in the hall for a special World Book Day Assembly. Lots of staff with different roles in the school told the children about their favourite book and then we dispersed to different parts of the school with children choosing which book they would like to hear.

Mrs. Beech and Woody proved a popular option reading *Hairy McLary*, but, among many others including, Mrs. Barnes reading *Oi Frog!* and Miss Clarke reading an extract of *Bad Dad*, there was lots of choice for the children.

This was followed by a visit of some children from the Junior School who were coming to the school today to read to some of our pupils.

Look out for your child's World Book Day voucher. They were given out yesterday and they allow you to choose a free book from a number of different retailers.



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EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAY	12.40 – 1.10pm Monday French Club (Barn Owls) 3.15 – 4pm Martial Arts
TUESDAY	12 – 1pm Singing Club
WEDNESDAY	3.15 – 4pm Spanish Club 3.15 – 4.45pm DM Football
THURSDAY	3.15 – 4.45pm DM Football
FRIDAY	12.10 – 1.10pm Friday French Club (Snowy Owls/Year 2) 1 – 3pm Violin/Cello Lessons


NEXT WEEK

REMINDERS/CHANGES FOR 11 - 15 March

Monday 11th	
Tuesday 12th	
Wednesday 13th	
Thursday 14th	
Friday 15th	Red Nose Day - Wear something red for the sponsored Danceathon

PUPIL AWARDS

ATTENDANCE AWARD For the week ending 1 March 2019

	Attendance %	No. of Late Arrivals	Overall Score	Trophy Awarded to
Little Owls	95.7	0	95.7	
Elf Owls	96.0	0	96.0	
Barn Owls	98.5	0	98.5	
Snowy Owls	99.2	1	98.2	
Spectacled Owls	99.0	3	96.0	
Tawny Owls	98.7	0	98.7	

WEEKLY GREEN AWARD Awarded to Owls

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

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	Ronan H
Blue Room	Megan O
Red Room	Saanvi B
Little Owls	Izzy N
Elf Owls	Tommie-Quinn M
Barn Owls	Isaac H
Snowy Owls	Catherine Y
Spectacled Owls	Suzie H
Tawny Owls	Maizee-Lee C

YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

<p>RAINBOW ROOM</p>	<p>NURSERY</p> <p>The children have been busy creating beautiful butterflies, developing their knowledge of mini beasts and also discussing colour & pattern. Pancakes were mostly a hit on Tuesday, with all children trying them, and telling their friends what their preferred topping was. Yesterday, the children went on a shape hunt around the school, to see which shapes they could spot, and if they could identify them.</p>	
<p>BLUE ROOM & RED ROOM</p>	<p>It has been a busy week in Pre-School! The children in Blue Room have been learning about being healthy; with lots of discussion around foods, exercise & our bodies. In Red Room the children have loved learning about jungle animals and describing their own experiences of seeing them. Both rooms loved having pancakes for snack on Tuesday, with chocolate sauce being a favourite topping! Finally, yesterday, the children took part in World Book Day activities, which involved listening to stories read by different adults in the school.</p>	
<p>LITTLE OWLS</p> 	<p>RECEPTION</p> <p>Painting has been very popular this week; we think this is due to the children being able to independently selecting their own paint using the dispenser bottles. We made pancakes on Tuesday and the children's instruction writing was 'flipping' brilliant! In Maths the children carried on using money, this time to pay for different toppings for their pancakes. On World Book Day the children visited new classrooms to listen to different stories read by different teachers. Please encourage children to use their token to get a free book! Reminder: PE - we are now starting to go outside, please can you make sure your child has warm clothing in their PE bags, eg. tracksuit bottoms and a fleece.</p>	<p>ELF OWLS</p> 
<p>BARN OWLS</p> 	<p>YEAR ONE</p> <p>This week, in English, we have been learning the suffixes 's', 'es', 'ed' and 'ing' and we have written our own non-fiction booklets about castles. In maths we have been applying our use of number bonds when working out missing number problems and have been looking at the relationship between number bonds of ten and number bonds of 20. We have been comparing life in a castle to life today and have looked at Wales and St Davids day.</p>	<p>SNOWY OWLS</p> 
<p>SPECTACLED OWLS</p> 	<p>YEAR TWO</p> <p>In maths, year 2 have been learning how to calculate the amount of change given. They have learnt practically using the resources to apply their knowledge of a number line to subtract from £1. During literacy this week, they have gathered adjectives about the characters in the book we are reading and turned them into expanded noun phrases. We have also been able to sequence the story for a retell next week. In topic they have planned a non-chronological report on Grace Darling. They will begin to write their reports next week. We have had a busy week this week as road safety came in to teach the children about the importance of staying safe near roads!! Additionally, we have practised their common exception words and again as homework we would really appreciate if you could practise spelling any words that were incorrect for next week.</p>	<p>TAWNY OWLS</p> 

NEWS, REQUESTS & REMINDERS

CONGRATULATIONS

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

Lucy C on achieving her Level 7 British Gymnastics Proficiency Award

Sophie T on achieving her 10m swimming award

Maisie P for being 3rd with her North Warwickshire Pony Club team in the Mounted Games Competition

Tom D for receiving a Certificate of Achievement in Football

Mason C for achieving his 10m swimming award, moving up to Level 2

Emily M for being awarded a certificate for entering BBC Radio 2 500 words competition

Well Done Everyone!



Find 'Dunchurch Infant & Nursery School PTA' on Facebook or e-mail dunchurchinfantpta@gmail.com if you would like to find out more

Minutes of all PTA Meetings are now available on the school website www.dunchurchinfants.co.uk under 'Parent Zone'

TERM DATES 2019/20

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

Autumn Term 2019

Teacher Training Day

Monday 2 September

Term Starts

Tuesday 3 September

Half Term

Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November

Teacher Training Day

Friday 22 November

Term Ends

Friday 20 December

Spring Term 2020

Teacher Training Day

Monday 6 January

Term Starts

Tuesday 7 January

Half Term

Monday 17 – Friday 21 February

Term Ends

Friday 3 April

FAMILY HOLIDAYS MUST ONLY BE BOOKED DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PERIOD

**PRADA-WILLI SYNDROME
ASSOCIATION
Non-Uniform Day
Friday 15 February**

Many thanks to everyone that kindly contributed towards the above event.

Overall, we raised £139.60 for PWSA. Every penny raised counts and helps to provide a vital service to the many families whose lives are affected.

Well Done!

RECEPTION PARENTS

Please check your child's PE kit when it comes home next, as a lot of items are not named and this can cause distress to the children when they cannot find their own items. It also makes it far easier for staff to reconcile lost property with its rightful owner if all items are named.

Thank you for your co-operation 😊

WOODY'S BLOG

Hello everyone!

What a lovely time I had yesterday taking part in World Book Day. I read to the children, with the help of Mrs Beech, of course, a selection of stories from the collection of 'Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy'. I particularly liked all the rhyming words. The children really enjoyed the stories and also gave me lots of fuss afterwards.

Many thanks to the children who chose to listen to my stories; I think I was more popular than Mr Dewes!

Have a great weekend.
Woof, woof from
Woody xx



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

March

- 27 12.30pm Year 2 Mother's Day Lunch
- 28 Year 1 - PTA Mother's Day Gift Shop
- 29 Year 1 Kenilworth Castle Trip
- 29 Year 2 Gurdwara Trip (am)
- 29 Nursery, Reception & Year 2 - PTA Mother's Day Gift Shop

April

- 5 PTA Quiz Night
- 12 End of Term
- 16 National Offer Day for September 2019 Reception & Year 3 places

May

- 4 Save the date!
(details to follow)

June

- 14 12.30pm Year 2 Father's Day Lunch

ALBETINE FLORAL

will be gathering at The Barn, next to The Tuning Fork at Houlton on

Wednesday 20 March between 1.30 – 4pm

Join them and you will leave with a self-created delicate spring posy in a ceramic jug and will also learn step-by-step methods to creating a natural spring inspired table arrangement incorporating twigs, branches, moss, eggs and more

Relax with a hot drink and a sweet treat supplied by the Tuning Fork too!

Limited spaces available

Contact albetine@talktalk.net for more info

Dunchurch Community
Library



We're
Searching for
Volunteers

If you could help for a few
hours per week, please pop
into the Library or contact:
clerk@dunchurchpc.org

