

DUNCHURCH INFANT SCHOOL AND NURSERY

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

In assembly this week we have been talking about perseverance. This is quite a big word, but the children have quickly grasped it and a number of them have been coming to me to say how they have persevered with some aspect of their learning. To help children understand the concept, we looked at a book called *Little Boat* by Thomas Docherty where a small boat continued on its journey regardless of the various challenges it came across. Children from year 2 shared some of their work from earlier this week (I can't say what it is for fear of spoiling the Mothering Sunday surprise, but it was quite a tricky task and involved a lot of perseverance). We also talked about how sports people and particularly tennis players have to persevere when practising skills, even though they might be tempted to give up. We are trying to encourage the children to not be put off if they find something difficult. Perhaps parents can talk about perseverance when their child is learning to swim, ride a bike without stabilisers or progress from a 3 to 2 wheeled scooter.

It was lovely to see so many year 2 Mums in school on Wednesday for our Mothering Day Lunch. A huge thank you to all of the lunchtime staff for putting on this special event



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EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAY	12.40 – 1.10PM Monday French Club (Barn Owls) 3.15 – 4pm Martials 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 1 – 3pm Violin/Cello Lessons

Reminders/changes for 1 – 5 April

MONDAY 1	
TUESDAY 2	
WEDNESDAY 3	
THURSDAY 4	
FRIDAY 5	Get your thinking caps on – PTA Quiz Night

PUPIL AWARDS

ATTENDANCE AWARD For the week ending 15 March 2019				
	Attendance %	No. of Late Arrivals	Overall Score	Trophy Awarded to
Little Owls	94.7	1	93.7	
Elf Owls	98.3	2	96.3	
Barn Owls	95.8	0	95.8	
Snowy Owls	97.2	4	93.2	
Spectacled Owls	99.3	3	96.3	
★ Tawny Owls	97.3	0	97.3	WELL DONE! ★

WEEKLY GREEN AWARD

Awarded to Barn Owls

Well done to the children in Miss Randle'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 Midday Supervisors

Rainbow Room	Durphine G
Blue Room	Robert S
Red Room	Esme F
Little Owls	Finn G
Elf Owls	William T
Barn Owls	Lily P
Snowy Owls	Bethany P
Spectacled Owls	Lottie F
Tawny Owls	Kartar G

YEAR GROUP CLASS WORK THIS WEEK

	<p style="text-align: center;">NURSERY Rainbow Room</p> <p>The children have loved engaging in imaginative play in the airport role play area; talking about passengers, tickets, luggage, flying etc. They have also created pictures of boats using different shapes and sticking resources; consolidating their knowledge of shapes. Outside the children have loved having the bikes & scooters out again, but this time with the traffic lights, discussing road safety, what the lights mean & how they travel to nursery.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Blue Room</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NURSERY</p> <p>The children have loved taking part in a shape hunt in the garden, identifying the shapes, counting how many, and then marking them on their sheet; for extra challenge they have been comparing the groups to see which has the most. They have been busy creating pictures using the play dough and very small shape cutters. In PE, the children have been developing their core strength through overhead throwing, balancing & holding certain poses.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Red Room</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Little Owls</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">RECEPTION</p> <p>ZooLab came to school on Monday and brought Colin the cockroach, Gary the giant snail and Lucius the slithering snake! The children included polysyllabic words when writing about their experience We used a HUGE number line to 20 to help with our counting on and the children have enjoyed using this during continuous provision. We have heard a lot of vocabulary related to addition. We have been starting to recognise how many syllables are in words by clapping each syllable. Our music lessons reinforced this but we used musical instruments instead of clapping.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Elf Owls</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Barn Owls</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR ONE</p> <p>This week we have been writing and retelling the story 'The Dragon Machine'. We have been working hard at remembering our finger spaces, capital letters and full stops as well as using our suffixes. In maths we have been looking at capacity. We have been ordering containers and have used the language full, empty, half full, nearly full, nearly empty. In topic we have used clay to create a wonderful mother's day gift and have designed and made a label to go with it. We have had a wonderful day on our trip to Kenilworth Castle.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Snowy Owls</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Spectacled Owls</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR TWO</p> <p>This week Year 2 have been learning to find fractions of objects and amounts as well as seeing the relationship between quarters and halves. In literacy they have finished their character profiles of Mr Grinling from the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch. We wrote about the different personalities he showed in each of the Lighthouse Keeper's stories. During topic this week, the children finished their Grace Darling reports and were able to add in a fun fact at the end. A big thank you from the Year 2 team for practising the common exception words, we are seeing a great improvement.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Tawny Owls</p>

NEWS, REQUESTS & REMINDERS

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
HOLIDAYS**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

April

5 PTA Easter Cake Sale

5 PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale

5 PTA Quiz Night

12 PTA Easter Egg Hunt

12 End of Term

16 National Offer Day for September 2019

Reception & Year 3 places

29 Start of Summer Term

May

4 90th Anniversary Fair- See Poster Below

June

11 Class Photos and Leavers' Individual Photos

14 12.30pm Year 2 Father's Day Lunch

July

13 PTA Summer Party

Follow us on Twitter:

**for updates and learning
at @dunchurchinfant**

Packed Lunches

We are a healthy eating school.

Suggestions for a packed lunch are:

Two small sandwiches or a wrap

A piece of fruit

A yoghurt (not Frube type)

A small biscuit as a treat

Can you also include a named cup, spoon,
etc. as required.

**Please check your child's lunchbox, when
they bring it home.**

CONGRATULATIONS

This week our congratulations go to

Laycie L as Star of the Week for ballet and tap

Moon Y for being promoted to Orange belt in Martial Arts and reaching stage 3 in his Learn to Swim course

WELL DONE!

WOODY'S BLOG

Hello!

I had a very important job to do this week.....I was invited to be the after dinner speaker at the Rotary Rugby Dunsmore Club. They wanted to know all about my role as a School Dog and a Therapy Dog. I had a lovely evening and as you can see from the photo, I cheekily sat in the President's chair to see if he'd left me anything to eat.

I have also enjoyed a lovely story with some nursery children, along with a walk with some Year 1 children who had worked particularly hard in class.

Have a great weekend everyone
Woof, woof from
Woody xx



EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Monday 15 - Friday 26 April

Full Day
8am – 5pm
£29 *

Half Day
8am – 12.30pm
or
12.30 – 5pm
£14.50 *

*** Early Bird Rate**

Bookings are charged at a rate of £32 per full day and £16 per half day

A 50% non-refundable deposit is required with the return of the booking form

Leaflets with more details have been emailed to all Nursery and School parents, but are also available in the School Office

Holiday Clubs are open to children from Nursery age up to Year 6 (Juniors)

We will also have Holiday Clubs on the following dates:

**Tuesday 28 – Friday 31 May
Monday 22 July – Friday 15 August**

Details to be published in due course

1st Dunchurch Scout



Group



We are having a coffee, cake and book morning on Saturday 6th April 2019 from 10am to 1pm at the Dunchurch scout hut to raise funds for our Scout Group. Everyone welcome – please come along!



Location:
Done Cerce Close
Dunchurch
CV22 6NZ

RECEPTION CLASS REQUEST

We need 'calpol type' syringes in class for a project that we are working on. If you have any, please hand them into the school office – thank you.





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90TH Anniversary Fair



SATURDAY
4th MAY 2019
11am TO 2pm

**to celebrate our 90th year
please come and join us in
the school grounds**

- Refreshments - Various stalls - Face painting

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ACCEPTED WASTE



See the picture above for what you can send in through this recycling programme. Then, every time you use any baby food pouches, save the pouches and caps and send them in to TerraCycle®.

Waste that is accepted:

- Baby food pouches
- Baby food pouch caps
- Snack packets



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SAVE THE DATE

Quiz

The PTA introduce their 3rd Annual Quiz & Fizz Night!

Friday 5 April, 7:30 - 11pm in the Dunchurch WI Hall

Teams of six can be organised ahead of time or join a team on the night

£8 pp - tickets on sale soon; book early to avoid disappointment

Licenced Bar and pulled pork batches (veggie option also available)

Winners will be awarded the prestigious Quiz & Fizz Trophy

This social evening is for grown ups, so please leave your little ones at home

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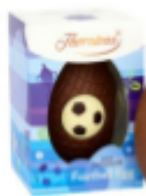


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Personalised Easter Eggs

To order your eggs simply fill out the form below. For every egg that we sell £1 will be donated to the PTA to raise funds for the school.



1



2



3



4



5

Product	Qty	Price	Names to be iced	Total £
1. Football - milk chocolate, 150g		£3.50		
2. Gruffalo - milk chocolate, 162g		£3.50		
3. Cupcake - milk chocolate, 149g		£3.50		
4. Rabbit - white chocolate, 151g		£3.50		
5. Butterfly - milk chocolate, 149g		£3.50		
Child's name:		Child's class:		Total order value: £

Easter Eggs need to be collected at 3.15pm on Friday 12th April from the rotunda in the school playground, or from Owls. Orders and payment need to be in by Friday 29th March. Cheques made payable to Dunchurch Infant School & Nursery PTA.

***Everyone who places an order will be put into
a draw to win our Easter Bunny***



EASTER CAKE SALE



DONATIONS

3:15PM
FRIDAY
5TH APRIL

PLEASE BRING CAKES & BAKES TO THE
PLAYGROUND AT MORNING DROP OFF



IN AID OF
DUNCHURCH
INFANT SCHOOL
& NURSERY PTA