

Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery



Autumn Term Issue 5

6 October 2017

Headteacher's Message

We have noticed that some pupils that bring their lunch have quite a few items and are getting very little play time.

It has been a while since we published our suggestions for packed lunches, so here it is again:

We would prefer that only three different items were included say, a couple of sandwiches, with a piece of fruit and a chocolate biscuit, or perhaps crisps. Also, if a small plastic cup could be included, to enable him/her to have a drink of water; that would be appreciated. Prior to lunch, pupils have access to fresh fruit or vegetables, alongside their milk (if you have booked it for them) so they don't need too much more in their lunch boxes.

Also, another reminder, we are a nut-free school, so pupils should not be bringing in food that has nuts, of any description, within; thank you.

I am pleased to say that we have a new Caretaker, David Haggan. David started with us on Monday and so you may have seen him around the school. We warmly welcome him.

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated food items for Rugby Food Bank. We had an excellent response and it will all be delivered to the Food Bank early next week, for distribution.

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Extra-curricular events 9 – 13 October 2017

Monday 9th	3.15 – 4.00pm Martial Arts 3.15 – 4.00pm Spanish Club
Tuesday 10th	3.15 – 4.45pm FDS Ball Skills
Wednesday 11th	3.15 – 4.15pm Yr 2 Sports Club
Thursday 12th	3.15 – 4.45pm FDS Ball Skills
Friday 13th	12.00 – 12.30pm Yr 1 French Club 12.30 – 1.00pm Yr 2 French Club 1.30 – 3.00pm Violin Lessons 3.15 – 4.15pm Yr 1 Sports Club

CALENDAR


Reminders for 9 – 13 October 2017

Monday 9th	<i>Lunchtime Singing Club is cancelled this week. Year 1 Trip to Rugby Hall of Fame</i>
Tuesday 10th	
Wednesday 11th	
Thursday 12th	
Friday 13th	

WEEKLY PUPIL AWARDS

Attendance Award

FOR THE WEEK ENDING 29 SEPTEMBER 2017

	No. of Late Arrivals	Attendance %	Overall Score (inc. late arrivals)	Cup awarded to
Little Owls	1	99.6	98.6	
Elf Owls	3	97.7	94.7	
Barn Owls	3	98.0	95.0	
Snowy Owls	2	99.0	97.0	
Spectacled Owls	1	100.0	99.0	
Tawny Owls	1	98.7	97.7	



WEEKLY GREEN AWARD

Awarded to Tawny Owls

Well done to the children from Mrs Rawes & Mrs Horne's class for keeping their classroom and working environment tidy throughout the week.



Awarded by our Caretaker's Assistant, Mrs Turtle

LUNCHTIME GOOD BEHAVIOUR AWARDS

Awarded by Mrs Burdett and her lunchtime staff

Blue Room Nursery	Isabel Armstrong
Red Room Nursery	Jake Griffiths
Little Owls	Ellen Hicks
Elf Owls	Max Butlin
Barn Owls	Tom Davies
Snowy Owls	Lily Nicholls
Spectacled Owls	Amber Healey-Perry
Tawny Owls	Kara Anstruther

YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

<p>RED ROOM</p> 	<p>NURSERY</p> <p>Next week we will be developing our understanding of 'who', 'what', 'where' and 'when' questions; asking them of each other but also learning how to respond appropriately. We will be spray-painting outside, using our hand/arm muscles to operate the spray bottles. We will also be mixing paint colours to create autumnal pictures, following discussions around our 'Autumn Collection Bags'.</p>	<p>BLUE ROOM</p> 
<p>LITTLE OWLS</p> 	<p>RECEPTION</p> <p>Understanding the World: Autumn Literacy: Using the story of 'The Prickly Hedgehog' to talk about Autumn. Looking at parts of the story and using our phonics to blend and segment. Maths: Counting objects to 10 and beyond & estimating Phonics: Blending and segmenting in Phase 2 - e, u & r</p>	<p>ELF OWLS</p> 
<p>BARN OWLS</p> 	<p>YEAR ONE</p> <p>Maths: We will be learning how to find number bonds to 10 English: We will be writing instructions following on from an activity on our trip on Monday Phonics: We will be starting to learn about the 'ai' family Topic: Trip on Monday to 'The Rugby Hall of Fame'. Learning about famous people who have links to Rugby.</p>	<p>SNOWY OWLS</p> 
<p>SPECTACLED OWLS</p> 	<p>YEAR TWO</p> <p>English: A new, exciting, text type based on the children's experiences. Can you guess what it will be? Maths: Looking at addition - using a hundred square and a blank number line SPaG: Looking at verbs and adverbials Topic: Creating and evaluating our space buggies</p>	<p>TAWNY OWLS</p> 

NEWS, REQUESTS & REMINDERS

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations this week
go to

Laycie Larque for completing 'the Tortoise
and the Hare' 5km virtual walk around
Draycote Water and also running 2.5km in
the Equinox 24 Fun Run

Emma Artiss for achieving the Swim England
'Learn to Swim 1' Award

Alfie Turner for being awarded an Ash Stage
Productions certificate for 'Performer of the
Week'

Sebastian Putt for achieving the Swim
England 'Duckling 4' Award

Tom Davies for receiving the Old
Laurentian's 'Player of the Week' rugby
trophy

Well Done Everyone!



APPLYING FOR 30 HOURS FUNDING FOR JANUARY 2018

Parents wishing to access their place in
January 2018 need to start applying
now. The deadline for applications for
the Spring Term 2018 is:

31st December 2017

*Any queries, please speak to Natalie
Herbert (Nursery) or Julie Young (Office).*

SCHOOL PARENT'S EVENINGS

Wednesday 18 October
3.30 to 7.00pm
Thursday 19 October
3.30 to 6.00pm

Parents of children from Reception
to Year 2 will be able to book a 10-
minute slot via our online booking
system from 8pm on
Wednesday 4 October, by visiting:

www.dunchurchinfants.parentseveningsystem.co.uk

**Access to the system will end on
Thursday 12 October at midnight**

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

If you need to apply for Reception or Junior
School places for September 2018, the
national deadline is:

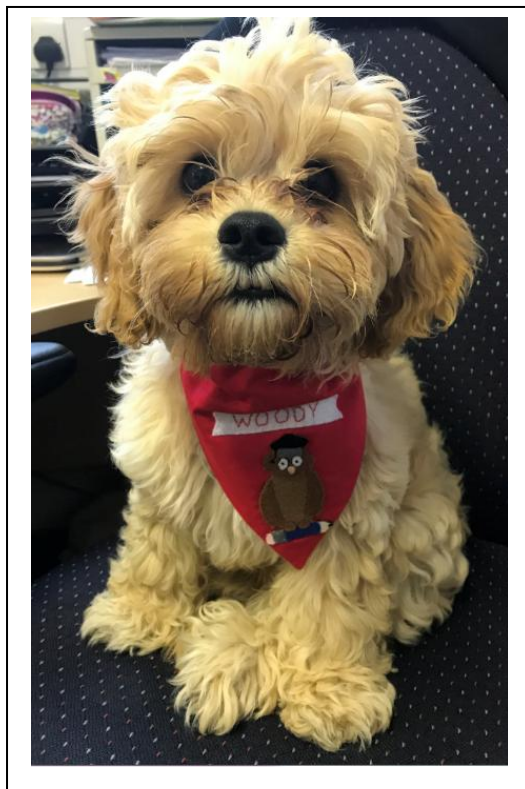
15 January 2018

Apply online at:
warwickshire.gov.uk/admissions

NURSERY PARENT'S EVENING

Wednesday 18 October
3.30 - 7.00pm

Parents of Nursery children will be
able to sign up for their 10-minute
time slot via the notice board in their
child's cloakroom.



WOODY'S BLOG

This week, I launched 'Woody's Buddies Lunchtime Club'. To be a member of the club, each teacher chooses two children from their class that have worked particularly hard in the morning and they are allowed to spend some time with me! They come to see me at lunchtime and take me for a short walk. Every day a different year group take me and it has been great fun, as I am making lots of new friends. I have also helped out in the classrooms and Nursery this week by encouraging the children's writing and communication skills.

Woof, woof from:

Woody xx

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

dunchurchinfantpta@gmail.com

if you would like to find out more about
your PTA

THIS WEEK'S TOP TIPS FOR E-SAFETY

At school, we use 'flag it' to learn strategies for letting an adult know if something online makes us feel uncomfortable. We teach the children it is important to minimise, rather than close, the internet page so that an adult can investigate the content.



FLAG IT

Flag up with someone you trust if anything upsets you or if someone asks to meet you offline.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES 2017/18

October

- 9th Year 1 Trip to Rugby Art Gallery and Museum
- 18th 3.30 – 7.00pm Parents Meetings
- 19th 3.30 – 6.00pm Parents Meetings

November

- 14th Individual School Photos
- 17th Children in Need
- 22nd Flu Immunisations

December

- 19th Christmas Play - Dress Rehearsals
9.15am – Elf Owls & Red Room
10.15am – Little Owls & Blue Room
1.30pm – Year 1
- 20th Christmas Play - 1st Performance
9.15am – Little Owls & Blue Room
10.15am – Year 1
1.30pm – Elf Owls & Red Room
- 21st Christmas Play - 2nd Performance
9.15am – Year 1
10.15am – Elf Owls & Red Room
1.30pm – Little Owls & Blue Room

This list will be added to, as and when other events become apparent. Please keep an eye on it, so that you have up-to-date information.

PTA MEETING

There will be a PTA meeting in the School Hall on Thursday 12 October at 7pm.

All parents, guardians and carers are welcome to attend.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Donations for Dunchurch Infant Second Hand Uniform Shop gratefully received

Please leave any unwanted or outgrown items at the School Office.

Many thanks
Dunchurch Infant PTA



For further details contact Leanne on 07977 656951

FORTHCOMING PTA EVENT

There will be a 'Spooky PTA Cake Sale' after school on Friday 20 October.

Halloween themed cake donations will be gratefully received at morning drop-off, on the day, in the playground.

Thank you in advance ☺

END OF SCHOOL COLLECTION

If your child is going to be collected by someone other than yourself, please let your child's teacher know when dropping off at school in the morning, where possible, or contact the School Office.

We are unable to release your child to anyone else without your permission.

Thank you for your co-operation ☺



TERM DATES 2017 - 2018

Autumn Term 2017

Half Term

Monday 23 – Friday 27 October

Teacher Training Day

Friday 24 November

Term Ends

Friday 22 December

Spring Term 2018

Teacher Training Day

Friday 5 January

Term Starts

Monday 8 January

Half Term

Monday 19 – 23 February

Term Ends

Thursday 29 March

Summer Term 2018

Term Starts

Monday 16 April

Bank Holiday

Monday 7 May

Half Term

Monday 28 May – 1 June

Teacher Training Day

Friday 22 June

Term Ends

Friday 20 July

Please note:

Family holidays must be booked during the school holiday period only