

Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery



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Autumn Term Issue 7

20 October 2017

Headteacher's Message

We have now been given the keys to our new Nursery room. There will be some minor changes over the Half Term holiday, but essentially the building project is now finished. My thanks go to Mrs Beech for managing the project and HB Architects and Symon Builders for doing a very professional job. Children will be using the room from January 2018, when it will become the room for our 'rising threes' (those children who are in the school year when they turn three).



With the room completed, after Half Term we will have the Don Cerce Close entrance to the school open again. This means parents will no longer be able to access the school down the side of the Reception and Year 2 classes. Please can parents also avoid walking through the car park, unless they are going to the office? With cars regularly being moved in the car park, this will help to keep children safe.

There is less than 2 weeks left of the Home to School Transport Consultation, should you wish to take part. All feedback must be received by midnight on Thursday 2 November. This is the link to the consultation: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/ask

Ian Dewes

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Extra-curricular events 30 October – 3 November 2017

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| Monday 30th | 12.00 – 1.00pm Singing Club 3.15 – 4.00pm Martial Arts 3.15 – 4.00pm Spanish Club |
| Tuesday 31st | 3.15 – 4.45pm FDS Ball Skills |
| Wednesday 1st | 3.15 – 4.15pm Yr 2 Sports Club |
| Thursday 2nd | 3.15 – 4.45pm FDS Ball Skills |
| Friday 3rd | 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 30 October – 3 November 2017

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| Monday 30th | |
| Tuesday 31st | <i>Deadline for PTA Christmas Card Orders</i> |
| Wednesday 1st | <i>Nasal Flu letters coming home in Book Bags today</i> |
| Thursday 2nd | |
| Friday 3rd | <i>PTA Hot Chocolate Friday at 3.15pm and Deadline for PTA Autumn Scavenger Hunt Forms</i> |

WEEKLY PUPIL AWARDS

Attendance Award

FOR THE WEEK ENDING 13 OCTOBER 2017

| | No. of Late Arrivals | Attendance % | Overall Score (inc. late arrivals) | Cup awarded to |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Little Owls | 5 | 98.0 | 93.0 |  |
| Elf Owls | 1 | 97.7 | 96.7 | |
| Barn Owls | 2 | 93.3 | 91.3 | |
| Snowy Owls | 5 | 99.7 | 94.7 | |
| Spectacled Owls | 2 | 93.7 | 91.7 | |
| Tawny Owls | 0 | 98.7 | 98.7 | |



WEEKLY GREEN AWARD

Awarded to Barn Owls

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

Awarded by our Caretaker, Mr Haggan, and his Assistant, Mrs Turtle

LUNCHTIME GOOD BEHAVIOUR AWARDS

Awarded by Mrs Burdett and her lunchtime staff

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| Blue Room Nursery | Matilda Davies |
| Red Room Nursery | Faye Griffiths |
| Little Owls | Catherine Yu |
| Elf Owls | Isaac Harrison |
| Barn Owls | Emma Bradshaw |
| Snowy Owls | Suzie Houston |
| Spectacled Owls | Toby Jones |
| Tawny Owls | Bobby Dove |

YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

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| <p>RED ROOM</p>  | <p>NURSERY</p> <p>After Half Term we will be making lots of firework pictures using creative resources; we will be having discussions about how to keep ourselves safe and responding appropriately to how we are feeling and we will also be using shallow sand to practise our mark-making skills, using different colours to represent fireworks.</p> | <p>BLUE ROOM</p>  |
| <p>LITTLE OWLS</p>  | <p>RECEPTION</p> <p>Literacy: Looking at the story of 'Funnybones' and then labelling parts of the body and writing speech bubbles Maths: Recognising and describing 3D shapes Phonics: Blending and segmenting with Phase 2 phonemes/Phase 3 - z, zz, y, qu</p> <p>We will also be talking about eating healthily to look after our teeth and bones.</p> | <p>ELF OWLS</p>  |
| <p>BARN OWLS</p>  | <p>YEAR ONE</p> <p>English: We will be learning about the use of the question mark Maths: We will be learning about the place value of numbers up to 20 History: We will be learning about Guy Fawkes and the gunpowder plot. In Phonics we will be starting to learn about the ee family.</p> | <p>SNOWY OWLS</p>  |
| <p>SPECTACLED OWLS</p>  | <p>YEAR TWO</p> <p>SPaG: Past and present tense Maths: Subtraction on a 100 square and a blank number line English: The suffix ed, sentence starters and types of questions Topic: Locating and naming the continents and oceans and human and physical features of a place</p> | <p>TAWNY OWLS</p>  |

NEWS, REQUESTS & REMINDERS

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations this week
go to

Aurelia Salisbury for achieving her 5m Swim
England Rainbow Award

Well Done Aurelia!



MIDDAY SUPERVISOR

required to join our caring and hard-
working team

TERM TIME ONLY

Salary: NJC Scale B Pt 6
£2,241.86 - £2,276.50

Monday to Friday – 11.50am – 1.10pm
6 hours 40 minutes per week

DEADLINE DATE:

Monday 6 November at 12 noon

START DATE:

Monday 13 November

For an application pack, please call the
School Office or contact

office@dunchurchinfants.co.uk

INCONSIDERATE PARKING



We appreciate that it can be extremely difficult to park around school at times but can parents please be more considerate of how they park, always ensuring that they are not putting children's (and other adults) lives at risk when doing so; thank you.

PTA MESSAGE

Every child in the school would have received one of our Autumn Scavenger Hunt forms this week.

Completed forms should be returned to the School Office no later than Friday 3 November

Thank you!

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

PTA EVENT

Hot Chocolate Friday is on
3 November @ 3.15pm
in the playground





WOODY'S BLOG

I managed to complete my 'down stay' for 15 minutes last night at Rugby Dog Training Club; many thanks to those of you that have already sponsored me. The chosen charities are "Taking the Reins", which use horses to help children overcome many problems and 'Medical Detection Dogs', who train dogs to detect certain illnesses in people. If you would still like to sponsor me for these excellent causes, please send your sponsorship money in a marked envelope to the School Office by Tuesday 31 October. Any amount would be very much appreciated, no matter how small.

I have had a great first half term and everyone has made me so welcome. I love being a school dog, although I'm now ready for a week off. I hope you all have a lovely break and I look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 30 October; I might even have a Halloween costume to wear!

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

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

www.dunchurchinfants.co.uk

under 'Parent Zone'

THIS WEEK'S TOP TIPS FOR E-SAFETY

Set your favourite search engines to do 'safe searches'. This should make sure that an internet search only returns content suitable for younger ages. For example, to set Google to do safe searches, click on search settings on the homepage and then ensure that moderate or strict filtering is enabled.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES 2017/18

November

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

December

- 13th Reception - Vision Screening
- 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.

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

A MESSAGE FROM THE PTA

Every time you buy something online – from your weekly food shop to your car insurance – you could be raising free donations through ‘easyfundraising’ for the school.

Retailers, including Amazon, Tesco, Aviva, Booking.com and Marks & Spencer, are ready to give the school a free donation every time you shop with them.

It’s really simple and doesn’t cost you anything. All you have to do is:

1. Go to:
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/H5ZNBW/ZMMDNN>
2. Enter ‘Dunchurch Infant School & Nursery’ in the search box
3. Click ‘Join Us’ and enter your details then click on ‘Create My Account’
4. Choosing from over 3,300 retailers, do your online shopping as normal and the school will receive a free donation at no extra cost to you, for every purchase you make.

Thank you for your support; you will be helping to make a real difference



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