

Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery



**Autumn Term
Issue 11
23 November 2017**

Headteacher's Message

As previously mentioned in the newsletter, I am holding a Parents' Forum next Monday at school at 6.30pm. We will be talking about holiday care and before and after school clubs, as well as how we use technology in school; everyone is welcome.

On the second topic, parents might be interested in this [survey](#) aimed at parents of children between the ages of 4 and 7. It is by an organisation called *Thinkuknow* who produce materials for schools relating to keeping children safe online. Mrs. Marson has been surveying the children on their use of technology and I will share this at the Parents' Forum.

We have had an unusually high number of illnesses among children this week, with over 30 children off school yesterday. I hope all the children are feeling better soon and can enjoy their extra long weekend. I know that sometimes parents find it a bit tricky to decide whether their child should be in school or not. There are some helpful guidelines from the NHS on this [website](#) which parents might find of use. Alternatively, we are always happy to offer advice; if you are unsure whether your child should be in school, just ring the office.

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Extra-curricular Activities 27 November – 1 December 2017

Monday 27th	12.00 – 1.00pm Singing Club 3.15 – 4.00pm Martial Arts 3.15 – 4.00pm Spanish Club
Tuesday 28th	3.15 – 4.45pm FDS Ball Skills
Wednesday 29th	3.15 – 4.15pm Yr 2 Sports Club
Thursday 30th	3.15 – 4.45pm FDS Ball Skills
Friday 1st	12.00 – 12.30pm Yr 1 French Club 12.30 – 1.00pm Yr 2 French Club 1.30 – 3pm Violin/Cello Lessons 3.15 – 4.15pm Yr 1 Sports Club

CALENDAR


Reminders for 27 November – 1 December 2017

Monday 27th	6.30pm Parent's Forum Meeting in School Hall – all welcome!
Tuesday 28th	
Wednesday 29th	
Thursday 30th	
Friday 1st	3-5pm PTA Christmas Fair

WEEKLY PUPIL AWARDS

Attendance Award

FOR THE WEEK ENDING 17 NOVEMBER 2017

	Attendance %	No. of Late Arrivals	Overall Score	Cup awarded to
Little Owls	95.2	5	90.2	
Elf Owls	97.7	1	96.7	
Barn Owls	98.0	2	96.0	
Snowy Owls	98.7	6	92.7	
Spectacled Owls	98.7	1	97.7	
Tawny Owls	98.7	3	95.7	



WEEKLY GREEN AWARD

Awarded to Tawny Owls

Well done to the children from Mrs Rawes and Mrs Horne'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

Blue Room Nursery	David Beanland
Red Room Nursery	Grace McNally
Little Owls	David Kodagoda
Elf Owls	Alfie Rutherford
Barn Owls	Dylan Llewellyn
Snowy Owls	Lara Hughes
Spectacled Owls	Gracie Brown
Tawny Owls	Alfie Asquith

YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

<p>RED ROOM</p> 	<p>NURSERY</p> <p>Next week, we will be discussing how to care for living things, covering both pets and living things in the environment. To support this, we will be planting bulbs in our garden and making bird feeders. We will also be using stickers and stamps to aid us with matching numerals to amounts. Please remember to bring something noisy for 'Show & Tell'!</p>	<p>BLUE ROOM</p> 
<p>LITTLE OWLS</p> 	<p>RECEPTION</p> <p>Phonics: blending and segmenting with all of the phonemes learnt so far – 'oo' and 'ar'</p> <p>Literacy: continuing our work on rhyme and looking at 'Oi Frog'</p> <p>Maths: ordering things by weight</p> <p>Creative: selecting tools and techniques to join materials – junk modelling.</p> <p><i>Please check your recycling bins and send in any small cardboard boxes for the children to use.</i></p>	<p>ELF OWLS</p> 
<p>BARN OWLS</p> 	<p>YEAR ONE</p> <p>Maths: addition and subtraction</p> <p>English: consolidating use of accurate punctuation</p> <p>Topic: DT – moving pictures. St Andrew's Day and Scotland</p> <p>Phonics: Alternative spelling 'oa'</p>	<p>SNOWY OWLS</p> 
<p>SPECTACLED OWLS</p> 	<p>YEAR TWO</p> <p>Maths: Measuring lengths</p> <p>SPaG: We will be learning about nouns, including proper nouns and expanded nouns</p> <p>Literacy: Captain Scott's journey to the South Pole</p> <p>Topic: IT – positioning and direction</p>	<p>TAWNY OWLS</p> 

NEWS, REQUESTS & REMINDERS

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations this week
go to

Hugo Norris for receiving a Rugby Town
Tangos certificate for being their Skills Zone
star.

Alfie Turner for achieving a ballet award.

Well done Boys!



PTA HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

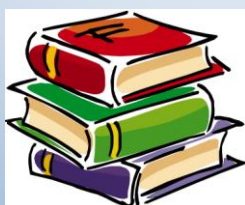
This will next take place on **Friday 22
December**, after school closes at 2pm.

In the new year, this event will be held on the
first Friday of each month, so the first one
will be on **Friday 12 January**.



PTA REQUEST

The PTA would appreciate donations of second-
hand children's books that are in reasonably good
condition, as they are hoping to have a second-
hand book stall at the Christmas Fair. If you have
any books that you would like to donate, please
hand them into the School Office; thank you.



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'

CHRISTMAS PLAY REHEARSALS & PERFORMANCES

Dates and times of this year's plays are
listed in the section 'Dates for your
Diaries'.

You will be restricted to 2 ticket bookings
for each child taking.

***Younger siblings are only allowed to
attend the rehearsals; the other
performances are only for
parents/grandparents.***

Tickets can be booked by logging on to
[www.dunchurchinfants.parentseveningsys
tem.co.uk](http://www.dunchurchinfants.parentseveningsystem.co.uk)

The booking line will be open from 8pm on
Monday 27 November and will close at
midnight on Thursday 14 December.

THIS WEEK'S TOP TIPS FOR E-SAFETY

Tell children not to give out their personal
details whilst online. If they want to
subscribe to any online services or
website, make up a family e-mail address
to receive the mail.



WOODY'S BLOG

I've had a lovely week, this week, visiting a different class each morning for registration. One morning, a little boy was really upset but I managed to put a smile on his face!

Woody's Buddies Club is going well; I love hearing about the children's pets including dogs, cats, rabbits and hamsters and even a baby brother! When the children take me for a walk at lunchtime, I have three leads; Mrs Beech holds one and the children take it in turns to hold the other two, we have a lovely time!

Enjoy your extra day off school boys and girls!

Woof, woof from:
Woody xx



PTA MOVIE NIGHT

A massive 'thank you' to everyone that helped the PTA with the recent Movie Night; they raised a whopping £294!

A fantastic effort from everyone –
Many thanks for your continuing support.

CHILDREN IN NEED

Thank you to everyone that kindly donated towards 'Children in Need' last week. We raised £188.90 from the non-uniform day and £131.00 from the 'Spot Woody' competition.

Our grateful thanks go to Dunchurch Service Station for kindly donating the prizes for the competition.

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

TERM DATES 2017 - 2018

Autumn Term 2017

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

*Family holidays must be booked during
the school holiday period only*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES 2017/18

December

- 1st 3 – 5pm Christmas Fair
- 6th Christmas Lunch
- 6th 1.30pm Red Room Theatre Trip
- 8th Christmas Parties
- 8th 1.30pm Little Owls Theatre Trip
- 12th 10am Blue Room Theatre Trip
- 12th Rotary Club Christmas Concert
- 13th Reception – Vision Screening
- 14th 1.30pm Whole School Carol Service
- 15th Christmas Fun Day
- 15th 1.30pm Elf Owls Theatre Trip
- 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
- 22nd 10.00am Christingle
- 22nd 2pm finish – Last day of Autumn Term

January

- 5th Teacher Training Day
- 8th First day of Spring Term

*This list will be added to, as and when other events become apparent,
so that you have up-to-date information*

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Christmas Party 2017

Friday 8th December

Nursery & Reception 5 - 6pm

Year 1 & 2 6.30-7.30pm

In the school hall

More details to follow



Christmas Menu

**Roast Turkey Breast Fillet with Chipolata
Sausage, Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy**

or

**(v) Roast Quorn Fillet, Sage and Onion
Stuffing and Gravy**

**Crispy Roast Potatoes
Garden Peas and Carrots**

(v) Ice Cream

or

(v) Homemade Chocolate Cracknel

Selection of Drinks



Season's Greetings
from The NutriGang
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CALLING ALL FOOTBALLERS!

Hillmorton Junior Football Club is currently recruiting children in pre-school, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

The club prioritises child welfare, is well organised, safe, and provides qualified coaching to boys and girls from the age of 3 up to 16. If you are interested in your child getting involved with an established local football team, please contact Rob Hope on:

07748 903353

St Peter's and St Edmund's Churches
invite you to our



ACTIVITIES * VISIT FROM FATHER CHRISTMAS * LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

An activity event for children with their families or carers at St Peter's Church, Dunchurch

Saturday 9th December, 2:00pm until 4:00pm
£2 per Child (includes a gift from Santa)

Booking is essential and places are limited, please book at:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-peters-christmas-party-tickets-35725068642>

With names, ages of children and any dietary requirements

MESSY CHRISTMAS

The Great ADVENT-ure!

Dunchurch Baptist Church, Coventry Road, Dunchurch, CV22 6RF
Saturday 2 December, 10.30am – 12.30pm

Crafts, lunch and celebration for all the family
£1 per person, payable on the day
Spaces are limited, so please book asap via
messychurch@dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk

Permanent Change to School Menu

Week 3 - Dessert Swap

Tuesday – now Jelly with Fruit

Wednesday – now Blueberry Iced Muffin

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

There are still 22 pupils in Year 2 that haven't applied for their Year 3 Junior School places and 17 Nursery pupils that haven't applied for their Reception school places.

Please remember that the national deadline for your applications is:

15 January 2018

Apply online:
warwickshire.gov.uk/admissions





Christmas Party 2017

On Friday 8th December, the PTA will be holding a Christmas party for the school and nursery children.

There will be two parties:

Nursery & Reception children – 5pm to 6pm

Year 1 & Year 2 children – 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Admission costs £3.50 each in advance.

The admission price includes magician, disco, snack and take home treat.

Please complete the attached slip and return, along with payment, to the school office in a sealed envelope marked "PTA Christmas Party".

(Cheques should be made payable to Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery PTA.)

Please return by Wednesday 6th December.

Please note that this is a drop off and collect event, supervision on the night will be provided by the school staff and PTA. Children should be brought into school via the office from 4.45pm for party 1 and from 6.15pm for party 2. Please collect from the hall exit, by the year 1 class rooms. Please can you take coats home after drop off.

We look forward to seeing you there for lots of Christmas fun!

Many Thanks for your continued support.

Dunchurch Infant School & Nursery PTA

Christmas Party 2017

Name of child _____ Class _____

Contact number & name of parent /guardian _____

Please give details of any dietary requirements or allergies

Payment of £3.50 enclosed

