

Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery



Summer Term Issue 6

25 May 2018

Headteacher's Message

Thank you to the parents who attended the Parents' Forum Meeting on Monday evening at Dunchurch Junior School. There were parents from this school as well as Leamington Hastings and Dunchurch Juniors and this enabled us to have a constructive discussion about transition between the schools. We have discussed what works well already and what we can do to make things better still, which I will discuss with my colleagues. There were some questions asked by those who attended who have children starting Year 3 in September and they have been collated and answered in this page <http://www.dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk/parents/transition> on the Junior School's website.

Some parents may not be aware of the Gold Book. This is a book which sits in the staffroom where colleagues record moments where children have shown excellent manners and politeness. The week's entries are read out in Assembly each Friday. At the time of writing we have had this week, Eli for holding the door open for Miss Clarke, Evangeline for finding a £1 coin and handing it in as it wasn't hers and Isaac F. for letting a teacher through the door first. Well done to all of the children who have been mentioned.

The Governors and myself look forward to seeing many of you at one of the drop-in sessions, detailed opposite, where we hope to answers any questions that you may have about the Federation of the two schools.

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Extra-curricular Activities 4 – 8 June 2018


Monday 4th	12.00 – 1.00pm Singing Club 3.15 – 4.00pm Martial Arts 3.15 – 4.00pm Spanish Club
Tuesday 5th	3.15 – 4.45pm FDS Ball Skills
Wednesday 6th	3.15 – 4.15pm Yr 2 Sports Club
Thursday 7th	3.15 – 4.45pm FDS Ball Skills
Friday 8th	12.00 – 12.30pm Yr 1 French Club 12.30 – 1.00pm Yr 2 French Club 1.00 – 3.00pm Violin/Cello Lessons 3.15 – 4.15pm Yr 1 Sports Club

CALENDAR

Reminders for 4 – 8 June 2018

Monday 4th	6-7pm Parent Drop-In Session re: Federation Consultation at the Infant School
Tuesday 5th	6-7pm Parent Drop-In Session re: Federation Consultation at the Junior School
Wednesday 6th	
Thursday 7th	
Friday 8th	Deadline for payment of Year 2 Gurdwara trip

PUPIL AWARDS

ATTENDANCE AWARD For the week ending 18 May 2018				
	Attendance %	No. of Late Arrivals	Overall Score	Trophy Awarded to
Little Owls	93.2	5	88.2	
Elf Owls	96.0	2	94.0	
Barn Owls	96.7	1	95.7	
Snowy Owls	99.7	1	98.7	
Spectacled Owls	97.2	2	95.2	
Tawny Owls	98.7	1	97.7	

WEEKLY GREEN AWARD Awarded to Snowy Owls

Well done to the children in Miss Clarke's class, for keeping their classroom and working environment clean and 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

Rainbow Room	Megan O
Blue Room	Isabel A
Red Room	Sophia W
Little Owls	Isaac F
Elf Owls	Max B
Barn Owls	Suzie H
Snowy Owls	Alfie E
Spectacled Owls	Beau McN
Tawny Owls	Roshan M

YEAR GROUP - CLASS INFORMATION

RAINBOW ROOM	<p style="text-align: center;">NURSERY</p> <p>This week, we had lots of fun using paints to create butterflies and talking about pattern and colour. We had real fruit in our water tray with containers of different sizes and tweezers to make fruit potions. To aid our counting, we have also been creating flowers with Numicon symbols on, which also helped us to discuss amounts.</p>	
BLUE ROOM & RED ROOM	<p>In Blue Room, we have created a huge castle in our imaginative play area, following on from our learning about princesses, princes, knights and weddings. We have also been getting super messy exploring what happens when we mix colours using paint and shaving foam.</p> <p>In Red Room, we have been using real fruit and vegetables to take part in some still life painting, using colours for a particular purpose. We have also been using brightly coloured shallow sand to practice our letter formation. Please can children from Red Room bring in their favourite story book after the half term break for 'Show & Tell'. Thank you.</p>	
LITTLE OWLS 	<p style="text-align: center;">RECEPTION</p> <p>We have finished off Traditional Tales by writing about 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. Some have chosen to write the whole story! They included lots of story language and made excellent attempts to write polysyllabic words. The children tried salty and sweet popcorn to think about different flavours. In maths they have compared different heights of children and used mathematical language such as taller and shorter. We also compared the heights of the three bears. We have been talking about time and used language such as today, tomorrow and yesterday; we have also looked at clocks. A challenge has been set to make a nest that can hold a wooden egg. The children have experimented with different materials to produce a functional nest. Phonics - recap reading and writing of Phase 3 & reading and writing polysyllabic words.</p>	ELF OWLS 
BARN OWLS 	<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR ONE</p> <p>This week, we have been practicing counting in ones to, and across, 100. We have also been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and partitioning and creating numbers using tens and ones. We have looked at the syllables in words and have discussed features of poems and creating our own syllable poems about animals.</p>	SNOWY OWLS 
SPECTACLED OWLS 	<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR TWO</p> <p>Mrs Rawes, Mrs Horne and Miss Lodge would like to say 'Well Done' to all of the Year 2 pupils as they have worked extremely hard this half term and deserve a relaxing half term. In English the children have created and designed a character and setting for their own story, which they will be writing after half term. In maths we have learnt about multiplication being commutative but division not, and proving it.</p> <p>Over the holidays please can your child learn the poem on their homework sheet, as well as re-capping telling the time for after half term.</p>	TAWNY OWLS 

NEWS, REQUESTS & REMINDERS

CONGRATULATIONS

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

Chloe D for receiving a Most Improved Player medal from her Rugby Club

Lily P for being awarded a Theatre Craft Rosette and a Gymnastic Rosette from her theatre school

Caitlin-Rose S for receiving her Level 2 Learn to Swim award and **Darcey S** for receiving her Level 3 award

Oscar H for receiving his 5m Rainbow Distance Breaststroke Award

Felix J whose football team were tournament winners

Well done everyone!



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

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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 2018/19

Summer Term 2018

Teacher Training Day

Friday 22 June

Term Ends

Friday 20 July

Autumn Term 2018

Teacher Training Day

Monday 3 September

Term Starts

Tuesday 4 September

Half Term

Monday 29 October – Friday 2 November

Teacher Training Day

Friday 23 November

Term Ends

Friday 21 December

Spring Term 2019

Teacher Training Day

Monday 7 January

Term Starts

Tuesday 8 January

Half Term

Monday 18 – Friday 22 February

Term Ends

Friday 12 April

FAMILY HOLIDAYS MUST ONLY BE BOOKED DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PERIOD

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

Monday 23 – Friday 27 July
Monday 30 July – Friday 3 August
Monday 6 – Friday 10 August
Monday 13 – Friday 17 August

Full Day

8am – 5pm

£29 *

Half Day

8am – 12.30pm

or

12.30pm – 5pm

£14.50 *



* Early-Bird Rate. Bookings made after Friday 15 June will be charged at £32 for a full day or £16 for a half day.

A 50% non-refundable deposit is required when returning the completed Booking Form.



WOODY'S BLOG

Hello everyone

I had a lovely birthday, celebrating with my siblings. Mrs Beech made us a doggy-friendly carrot and cream cheese birthday cake, which was yummy!

I know that Mrs Beech is biased but she said I was the best behaved and the pick of the litter!

Have a lovely Half Term break everyone and I look forward to seeing you all for the final half term and the countdown to the summer holidays!

Woof, woof from

Woody xx

Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery PTA

Summer Party

Dunchurch Village Hall



Saturday 14th July 6pm – 9pm

Family fun disco party, all welcome.

More details to follow

DUNCHURCH FETE – 16 JUNE

Detailed information about the school's involvement in this event to follow after Half Term.

NEW SCHOOL MENU PERMANENT CHANGES

Following on from the recent distribution of the new menu, the Catering Manager has decided to make the following, permanent, changes:

Week 1

Tuesday

Chinese Style Turkey Meatballs
will be replaced with Turkey Meatballs in Gravy

Noodles will be replaced with Diced Potato

Week 2

Tuesday

Chicken Korma will be replaced with
Chicken in a Wrap

Rice will be replaced with Diced Potato

Week 3

Thursday

Diced Potato will be replaced with Petit Pain

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES 2018

June

- 12 Whole School Group & Leavers
Individual Photographs
- 15 Non-Uniform Day for sweet
donations for Dunchurch Fete
- 15 12.30pm Yr 2 Father's Day Lunch
- 15 PTA Father's Day Gift Shop
- 16 Dunchurch Fete
- 22 Teacher Training Day
- 27 6.30pm September 2018
Reception Parents' Meeting with
teachers

July

- 6 Year 2 Trip to Gurdwara
- 10 County Transfer Day
- 14 6-9pm PTA Summer Party
- 17 School Sports Day (am)
- 18 Reserve School Sports Day (am)
- 18 5 – 6.30pm Parents' Meeting
- 20 2pm End of Summer Term

DUNCHURCH FETE Saturday 16 June

Sweet Tombola Stall

We would welcome volunteers to help us run this year's Sweet Tombola Stall at the village fete. It will be for 30 minute slots from 12.30pm onwards.

We have decided not to ask for donations of chocolate, as in past years because it tends to melt in our hot summer temperatures (that's if we have some hot temperatures!)

The school will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 15 June in return for sweet donations for the stall.

If you are able to help, please contact the School Office at your earliest convenience.

*We appreciate your time
Many thanks*

FATHER'S DAY LUNCH FRIDAY 15 JUNE 12.30PM

Here is the menu for our Year 2 dads that will be attending the above lunch:

Battered Cod Fillet
Veggie Fingers (Vegetarians only)

Chipped Potatoes
Peas

Chocolate Cracknell

Letters were given to the Year 2 pupils yesterday. Please pay £3 via ParentPay **by Friday 25 May** and if you have any dietary requirements, or will be bringing sandwiches instead, please also let the School Office know before this date; many thanks.

We look forward to seeing you!