

Dunchurch Schools' Federation News



As you will have seen from previous correspondence, we are constantly reviewing our procedures in an attempt to make sure school is as safe a place as possible. Not all changes affect pupils and parents directly, but the following table summarises some things which you or your child(ren) are likely to notice:

School	Change	Reason for change
Infants and Nursery	From Monday parents must wear a mask when dropping of and collecting children.	This is due to concern at the large number of parents arriving at the same time and being close to each other. It is also to protect staff who speak to parents.
Juniors	Children now keep their lunch boxes in the classroom rather than a shared year group trolley. Cloak areas are now by class rather than year.	This is to reduce contact between children in the same year group, but different classes, see below for more on this.
Both schools	We have split the playground into class areas, whereas previously children were in year groups zones.	This follows recent advice from the local Public Health team who are encouraging schools to have class 'bubbles' for as many activities as possible. This means that in the event of a positive case, fewer children will have to isolate. This does not apply to nursery and reception children as the open plan layouts and outdoor learning areas make such a change harder.

The requirement for parents to wear masks when collecting and picking up at the Infants and Nursery is something I would rather not have introduced, but we have been increasingly concerned at the number of parents in fairly confined spaces. We have also had quite a lot parents speaking to staff while in quite close proximity. Communication with parents is vital and is not something we want to discourage, so we think masks would help for the time being. We are not requiring this at the Juniors. Far fewer parents are on the school site as the children are older. Like all things, we will keep this under review.

Before half-term we will hold a COVID-influenced version of Parent Evenings. Unsurprisingly, we will not be holding the normal face-to-face meetings. We did consider holding video calls online, but we thought that it would be difficult to keep to time with new meetings being started every ten minutes; one breakdown in the technology could significantly delay subsequent calls. Instead we will phone parents. Further details will follow in due course.

The parents of all children other than those whose children are in nursery will get a short, written report shortly

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Woody's Blog

Hello Everyone

I've really enjoyed working with the children this week and helping them with their learning. I've spent some time in the nursery too and went for a walk in the garden.

You'll never guess what.....Mr Dewes took me for a walk with a year 3 child around the Junior School field yesterday. I had a lovely time but I'm sure there had been some rabbits playing as I could smell them.

You're all doing so well sanitising and washing your hands, keep up the good work.

Love from Woody



Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News



Diary Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	After next week
After School Clubs Yr2 French— 3.30pm to 4.30pm— collec- tion from play- ground		After School clubs Yr1&2 Football— 3.15pm to 4.45pm— collection from back of hall	After School Clubs Yr1&2 Football— 3.15pm to 4.45pm— collection from back of hall		

Term and Diary Dates

Parent Consultation meetings— week commencing 19th October

Half term— 26th—30th October

Parent Evening Virtual Year Group meetings—Wednesday 4th November

Individual School and Nursery Photos—Tuesday 10th November

NHS Flu Nasal vaccination (school children) - Monday 23rd November

Teacher Training day—Friday 27th November

WEEKLY GREEN AWARD

Awarded to Snowy Owls

Well done to children in Miss Shrimpton'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

NEW POST BOX

We now have post boxes on the outside wall near the Year 2 doors and on the wall by our school Main Reception. Please use these if you have any correspondence for the office, PTA or clubs. The box is locked & will be emptied daily.

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Attachments

Dinner Menu: Week beginning 28th September is **RED** week 2.

Covid Test Results.

If you test positive for Covid 19/coronavirus, please contact the school immediately via email to the following address: jandewes@dunchurfederation.co.uk

School Office

If it is essential to visit the school office then you will need to wear a mask. All paper correspondence (including after school forms etc) should be given to the class teachers or put in one of the post boxes.

We appreciate your extra care in the mornings in making sure your child has their lunch boxes, water bottle and book bag before they come into school, thus avoiding unnecessary visitors to the office with forgotten items. Thank you for helping us to keep our school a safer place.

Revised Lunch Menu From Educaterers

From Monday 5th October the children only be able to have a Hot Deli bag.

Parent Consultation Appointments

This term these appointments are going to be telephone consultations on the following days:-

Nursery and Reception children—Monday and Tuesday evenings

Year 1 and 2—Wednesday and Thursday evenings

Appointments will booked online through our Parents Evening system and will go live on Thursday 8th October

Parents Year Group English, Phonics and maths virtual meeting

On Wednesday 4th November, in the evening, we will be hosting a 30 minute Microsoft Teams meeting for you to better understand the above subjects and how to support your child. A link will be sent nearer the time for you to join the meeting.

PLEASE FOLLOW THE ONE WAY SYSTEM OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Congratulations to:

Rachel M - PQA Dance Academy

Rowan B - GForce Martial Arts Schools

Charlotte H - Rugby Gymnastics Club Level1

Finn G & Jake G - Rugby Gymnastics Club Level2

WELL DONE!

Please do not park on the zigzags outside the front of the school between
the hours of:

7am – 6pm

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P. E Kit

Please could the children wear plain black, grey or blue joggers or shorts, a white t-shirt and a black, grey or blue sweatshirt to school on the days they come to school in their P.E. Kit.

PE days are as follows:

Year R Tuesday

Year 1 Monday and Wednesday

Year 2 Thursday and Friday

Book Bags

Year R Thursday and Friday **AFTER HALF TERM**

Year 1 Monday and Wednesday

Year 2 **TAWNY**—Tuesday / **SPECTACLED**—Thursday



Next meeting: The PTA is holding its AGM via zoom this year. It will be on Tuesday 6th October at 8pm. Would you like to come along? Feel free to supply your own drinks and nibbles! All are welcome and we would especially like to invite parents who are new to the school this year to come and find out about the PTA. It is a great way to get to know the school even better.

Now more than ever, the PTA needs your input and with meetings being held remotely, perhaps you can get involved? To receive the link for the AGM via zoom please contact dunchurchinfantpta@gmail.com or the facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/DunchurchInfantandNurseryPTA>

School Logo'd Uniform - the PTA second hand uniform 'shop' is up and running again and we would like your donations of outgrown logo'd uniform please. Please contact Anna Buckland or the PTA facebook page if you have any requirements.

Come and find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/DunchurchInfantandNurseryPTA> where we will share information about upcoming activities and try to amuse you with silly gifs

Over the summer, we suggested some children might like to do "Something Sponsored" to raise money to support the school. A huge thanks to the families that have donated their sponsorship money - at the time of writing £155 has been raised. The justgiving page is still live so to donate please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/dunchurchinfantschoolnurserypta>

Dunchurch Boughton

C. of E. Junior School News



Diary Dates

Monday 28th	Tuesday 29th	Wednesday 30th	Thursday 1st	Friday 2nd	After next week
After School Clubs Tri-Golf Year 3 3.30-4.30pm Dodgeball Year 5 3.30-4.30pm Mixed Football Year 6 3.30-4.30pm	After School Clubs French Year 3 3.30-4.30pm Art & Craft Year 4 3.30-4.30pm DM Football Year 5 3.30-4.45pm DM Football Year 6 3.30-4.45pm	Parents' Consultation Bookings Go Live After School Clubs Dodgeball Year 4 3.30-4.30pm Mixed Football Year 4 3.30-4.30pm Mixed Football Year 5 3.30-4.30pm Hot Shots Basket Ball Year 3 3.30-4.15pm Year 5 4.30-5.15pm	After School Clubs DM Football Year 3 3.30-4.45pm DM Football Year 4 3.30-4.45pm French Year 4 3.30-4.30pm Construction Year 5 3.30-4.30pm Dodgeball Year 6 3.30-4.30pm	After School Clubs Dodgeball Year 3 3.30-4.30pm	School Photographs 6th October

Half Term 26th – 30th October 2020

27th November Teacher Training Day

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New to Year Group Information

Our PowerPoint presentations from the *New to Year Group* meetings held last week, are now available to view on the Dunchurch Junior School website on our welcome page. <https://www.dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk/>

Parent Consultation Appointments

This term these appointments are going to be telephone consultations held during week beginning 12th October. Appointments will be booked online through our Parents Evening system and will go live on Wednesday 30th September at 4pm. More details to follow next week.

Individual Photographs 6th October 2020

Braunton photographers will be in school on Tuesday 6th October to take the children's individual photographs. If your child has PE on that day (3JT and Year 5) then please send your child into school wearing their school uniform and bring in their PE kits in a bag.

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COVID-19 Test Results.

If your child or someone in your household test positive for COVID-19/coronavirus, please contact the school immediately via email to the following address: iandewes@dunchurchfederation.co.uk

PE Kit.

Now that autumn has arrived, please can you make sure that your child has black, blue or grey jogging bottoms or leggings on for PE in school.

Hot Shots After School Club.

Please do not drop children off for the second Hot Shots session of basketball until 4.30pm, as they will be unable to wait with the coach until the first group have left.

Vacancy.

The Junior school has a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor, Monday to Friday 12.25pm -1.40pm £2553.84 - £2604.93 PA
If you are interested, please email - office@dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk for an application form.

Archived Seesaw Work

If any parents / carers are interested in a download of their child's archived work on Seesaw, the Seesaw website has a useful help page. <https://help.seesaw.me/hc/en-us/articles/208754866-How-do-families-and-students-download-an-archive-of-student-work->

Princethorpe College Open Day.

Princethorpe College will be holding their open day this year on Sunday 5th October between 10.00am and 3.00pm. The Open Day will be split into three hour-long sessions. Each session will open with a Welcome Address by the Headmaster and then visitors will follow a tour route around key school locations.
For more information, contact Princethorpe College on 01926 634200.

Bilton School Year 6 Virtual Open Evening.

On Friday 25th September, Bilton School will be hosting a virtual Open Evening at 5.30pm. If you are unable to attend but would like to find out more, then the presentations and videos will continue to be available on their website from this point onwards. www.biltonschool.co.uk

Blessing of the Animals.

Bring your pets to be blessed at St Peter's Church, Sunday 4th October 11:30am. There will be no service. Just bring your pets to the church door and they will be blessed, then continue on your way. Social distancing will be observed between humans!



Vision Football Academy.

Vision Football Academy are running training sessions for 5-12 year olds from Thursday 1st October, 18:00-19:30 at Bilton High School Rugby. for more information, contact www.visionfootballacademy.com, phone 07736 540400 or email visionfootballacademy@gmail.com

Star of the Week.

Well done to the following children who have achieved their 'Star of the Week' awards:

Elijah W, Shivi T, Isabelle B, Ella B, Kieran G, Alice P, Wilf L, Ashaz A & William H.



School Trips and Activities



Year 3 **Roald Dahl** **Dress Up Day**



Blists **Hill** **Year 6**

