

Dunchurch Schools' Federation News



Thank you for all of the support for hoodies and shorts day on Wednesday. The Senior Leadership team have been overwhelmed by the response and enjoyed seeing all the children and staff joining in. There has been more than £700 raised so far and this is going towards [Fred Bennett's "Don't Look Down Fund"](#). Donations can be made [here](#). Thank you also to the parents at the Infants who are supporting the PTA Welly Walk this afternoon. At the time of writing, it looks like wellies will very much be needed, but I am sure the children will enjoy it all the more for the mud.

With some children at the Juniors in self-isolation, we have reprised our approach to home learning. We have been taking feedback from the parents who have been with the children at home and will implement some changes for the future. In particular, we will increase the opportunities for pupils to see and hear from their teacher. This will be through activities like reading stories. We will also make sure each family has a phone call home each week. We appreciate that self-isolation, while necessary from a COVID perspective, is not good from a wellbeing perspective and we will try to do more to keep in touch with children.

Parents at the Infants and those at the Juniors who cut through the infant playground will notice next week a rather unsightly addition to the school. We are hiring a shipping container to create extra storage. Owing to COVID, we have removed some items from the classrooms and corridors in order to create more space. This is mostly in the infant hall as we would like to have more space there. Parents may have also noticed the garage and the wooden shed outside the year 1 classrooms are not in a good state of repair. Consequently, we are building a new brick-built garage in the new year, but before we can do this, we need to empty the current garage and shed. The new shipping container will allow us to do this, as well as creating more space in the hall. The container will be cordoned off, but please still make sure your children are supervised before and after school.

Finally, thank you for all of the messages of congratulations and good luck following the announcement that I will be leaving Dunchurch soon. I have been very touched by the kind words.

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Woody's Blog

It was good to see you all in your hoodies and shorts on Wednesday in memory of Fred and when I checked on Just Giving today there was over £700 which is fantastic.

I wasn't aware until this week that I'm not the only furry friend at the Junior School. I was so excited to meet Rodney the hamster although he didn't seem too pleased to see me as I think I woke him up!

This week in Nursery I've been helping the children learn about shapes and spent some time in the garden looking for squares, rectangles, circles and triangles. When the children found a shape they showed me and fed me a treat. It was then my turn to do some learning as the children were showing me how to sit nicely with good listening skills. We all sat beautifully while we listened to a story all about me



I've got some very exciting news to share with you next week so watch this space.

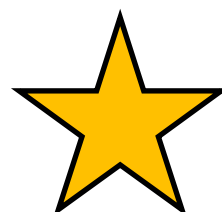
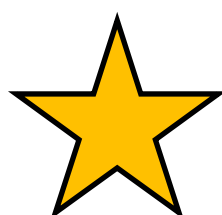
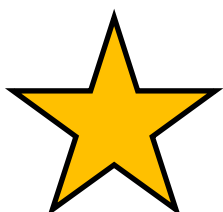
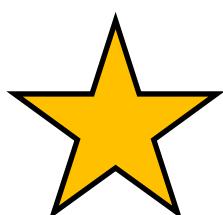
Have a lovely weekend, love from Woody



Dunchurch Schools' Federation Stars of the Week



Reception	Mrs. Carrington: Sofie D	Miss Lodge: Joanna A
Year 1	Miss Shrimpton: Elijah P	Mr. Coppillie & Mrs. Rawes: Chase H
Year 2	Miss Guy: Finn G	Mrs. Macauley: George H
Year 3	Miss Roberts: Isaac F	Mrs. Tildesley & Mrs. Jenks: Evangeline W
Year 4	Mr. Beasley: William W	Mr. Rattue: Zach B
Year 5	Mrs. Keffler: Roshan M	Mrs. Broderick & Mrs. Hayward: Spencer T
Year 6	Mrs. Cooper: Claudia G	Mrs. Andrews: Henry B



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Diary Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Yr1&2 Violin lessons by WCC Music Hub			

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS ARE POSTPONED UNTIL LOCK-DOWN FINISHES

Owls is still open

Term and Diary Dates

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

Year 2 Victorian day—Wednesday 25th November

Teacher Training day—Friday 27th November

Rugby Rokeby Lions Club Santa Sleigh—Friday 4th December

Christmas dinner and Christmas Jumper—Friday 11th December

Christingle making & service—Friday 18th December

School closes for Christmas break—Friday 18th December

Teacher Training Day— Monday 4th January

School starts—Tuesday 5th January

WEEKLY GREEN AWARD

Awarded to Snowy Owls

Well done to the 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

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Attachments:

Dinner Menu: Week beginning 16th November is **BLUE** Week 3 - remember these are Universal Free School meals for all children of school age up to and including Year 2.

Christmas dinner Deli Hot bag menu

Dunchurch Junior School Open Evening flyer

Warwickshire Music newsletter

Reading Books - Monday 23rd November

On the training day on 27th November some of the infant school staff will be reviewing the reading books we have before placing an order for new ones. To help with this we need to collect all reading books in. From Monday 23rd November, we would like you to return any books you have at home. That week we will not send any books home. Things we return to normal in the following week.

Year 2 Victorian Day - Wednesday 25th November

Could all Year 2s please come in that day dressed as Victorian's would have worn. The costumes do not need to be bought and could be PE clothing.

Can we remind parents / carers that items from home should not be brought into school each day, like Lego or Football cards whilst we are under COVID restrictions. Thank you

Rugby Rokeby Lions Club Santa Sleigh - Friday 4th December

This year we are very lucky to have Santa come to school to see the children and drop off their Christmas present. On ParentPay will be an item for the Christmas present (a Cadbury selection box or Free From chocolate depending on allergies) which they will take home on Friday 11th December. Also the item will allow you to make a donation to this much worthy cause.

We at Rugby Rokeby Lions Club are usually seen out and about with Santa and his Sleigh over the Christmas period at supermarkets and around the streets of Rugby bringing a little cheer to everyone. The money we collect during these outings is ploughed back into the community in various ways and just a few of our highlights over the last couple of years include support for families who have struggled with the cost of school uniforms, rehousing single parents and children due to domestic violence where we have provided white goods, kitchenware, mattresses etc. We have also helped purchase a rise and fall chair for a teenager who has lower limb girdle muscular dystrophy and this means that he can get to a standing position without grabbing hold of the radiator and the risk of pulling it from the wall. We sponsored kit bags for a local under 16's Rugby team, a carriage to carry wheelchair users at Rainsbrook Valley Railway off Barby Lane. We purchased a purpose made wheelchair for a young girl who has multiple disabilities and this enabled her to sit up straight to join in with the rest of her family. We purchased a specialised trike for a 3 year old twin, again with muscular dystrophy, and we purchased a little bike for his twin so they could play out together. We have paid for wet room flooring for 2 families. Almost all of these requests come in via the Family Support Units or the Welfare Units at St Cross and we are happy to support when we are able. We also support the Foodbank, Hope4, Friends of St Cross, Macmillan nurses who use the money for the care of our local residents and we also support the Air Ambulance.

Christmas Jumper and Dinner day - Friday 11th December

Children can wear a Christmas themed top to school on this day and make a donation through ParentPay to Save the Children and also it is a Christmas themed Hot Deli bag this day.

Christingle making and service - Friday 18th December

All children in school and nursery will make their own Christingle. Please donate through ParentPay donation to The Children's Society.

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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

Year 1 Monday and Wednesday

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

Nursery request

Please can we have donations of BOYS pants, socks & trousers / joggers as spares.

ParentPay

Please only pay an item you are requested to as the system will put a minimum £1 charge on all items including Owls and Nursery. If you do not use the facility do not pay the £1.

We are pleased to let you know that our school website now has Knowledge Organisers uploaded onto the year group pages. These explain the key knowledge and skills that are taught, vocabulary covered and how this links with prior learning. Please take a look.

CHILDREN IN NEED WINNERS FOR COLOURING COMPETITION

Thank you for your kind donations, we have raised £61.10

Harvey	Rainbow room	Emily C	Barn Owls
Alex	Blue room	Olivia H	Snowy Owls
Jessica B	Elf owls	Freddie B	Spectacled Owls
Olivia H	Little Owls	Eliza T	Tawny Owls

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Covid Test Results

If you test positive for Covid 19/coronavirus, please contact the school immediately via email at the following

address: iandewes@dunchurchfederation.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.

WCC Family Information Service.

To access Warwickshire County Council's latest Family Information Service Newsletter, follow this link.

<https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?u=a24b439ef7022ae0d86f9ca6e&id=41e0f6e374>

PLEASE FOLLOW THE ONE WAY SYSTEM OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Please could parents/carers watch their child / children when walking through our car parks when following the One Way system for vehicles.

ALL CHILDREN NEED TO BRING A WATERPROOF COAT INTO SCHOOL EACH DAY

WE ARE A 'NUT FREE' SCHOOL AND NO ITEMS SHOULD BE SENT INTO SCHOOL CONTAINING NUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS FOR LUNCH OR SNACK

Please do not park on the zigzags outside the front of the school between the hours of: **7am – 6pm**



Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News PTA Page



Next event: Virtual Quiz Friday 27th November 7:15pm

Book your spot for the PTA virtual quiz night and you could win a £30 voucher for Square Coffee! We have prizes up for grabs and our virtual quiz night (bring your own nibbles and drinks!) to help parents 'meet' each other, have some fun and raise some funds. Please contact Dee Bhabra to book your spot and get the access details. The suggested donation is £5 per household team. Poster is attached to the newsletter.

In School Events - donate via ParentPay

A huge thanks to everyone who has already donated - we have raised £540 so far!! Last half term we wrote to you about how we are going to be running in-school events a little differently this year and asked that parents make a donation (suggested £10 per child) via ParentPay to cover the in school events we are planning in place of our traditional playground events.

Watch this space for more information and don't forget to donate if you haven't already!

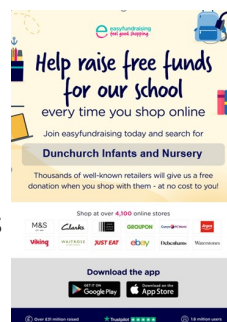
Did you know there are lots of ways to get involved without being part of the PTA committee? This year we will be welcoming all offers of help with one off events etc., so if you can give a little time every once in a while please drop us a line at dunchurchinfantpta@gmail.com or the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/DunchurchInfantandNurseryPTA>

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

Easyfundraising - just a click

At this particularly challenging time for us all, please don't forget that over 4,100 shops and sites will donate to the PTA for FREE every time you use easyfundraising to shop with them. This means you can support the school, when you get your groceries, order a takeaway, renew your insurance policies or buy anything else online – at no extra cost to yourself! If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely FREE to use.



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C. of E. Junior School News



Forgiveness ... Honesty ... Kindness ... Patience ... Peace... Generosity ... Thankfulness

Diary Dates

Monday 23rd	Tuesday 24th	Wednesday 25th	Thursday 26th	Friday 27th	After next week
NHS Flu Nasal Vaccination			Virtual Open Evening 7pm	Teacher Training Day. School closed to students.	Year 6 Online Health Questionnaire

Diary Dates.

- ♦ 23rd November: Nasal Flu Immunisation.
- ♦ 30th November: Year 6 Online Health Questionnaire.
- ♦ 16th December: Christmas dinner day.
- ♦ 18th December : Break up for Christmas holidays.
- ♦ 21st December— 1st January: School closed for Christmas holidays.
- ♦ 4th January : Teacher Training Day—School closed to pupils.
- ♦ 5th January: Children return to school.

Attachments.

- ♦ Dinner Menu: Week beginning 23rd November: **Blue**
- ♦ Dunchurch Boughton C.of E. Junior School Open Evening.
- ♦ Harris Academy Sports Centre Holiday Club and Bikeability training flyer.
- ♦ Christmas Menu.

Dinner Menu: Week Beginning 23rd November.

Educaterers have advised us that there will be no Cold Deli Bag available to the students until week beginning 7th December, and this may be subject to change.

There will continue to be either a Hot Deli Bag or either a pasta or jacket potato option.

Nasal Flu Immunisation.

The Nasal Flu immunisation team will be in school on Monday 23rd to administer the vaccination.

If your child is self-isolating or is unwell on the day, then your child will be given a *Nasal Flu Not Given* slip with the immunisation team's contact details on when they return to school.

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Virtual Parents' Evening.

On Thursday 26th November, Dunchurch Boughton C. of E. Junior School are holding a virtual Open Evening at 7pm. To book a place, email office@dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk

Covid Test Results

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

Children in Need.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the colouring competition to raise funds for Children in Need last week. The school raised £40. Thank you to the School Council for organising this.

Warwickshire Music.

If you are interested in enrolling your child on either percussion or woodwind lessons with Warwickshire Music in school, then visit warwickshiremusicclub.org and the following link: [Enrol](#) here. If you have any questions please email music@warwickshire.gov.uk .

Lost Property.

One of our year 6 pupils has lost their school sweatshirt in school. It has his name on it. Please can you check at home in case your child has picked up the wrong sweatshirt.

Allsorts Magazine

Allsorts magazine for parents and children is now online. Amongst the usual *what's on in the area*, clubs, classes and learning services etc, there is also general information for families with children aged 0-12. You can visit Allsorts at www.allsortsmag.com

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<https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?u=a24b439ef7022ae0d86f9ca6e&id=6904a91a19>

Junior School PTA News.

The Junior School PTA now has an Amazon Smile account. To support the PTA simply click on the link below and 0.5% will be donated via Amazon when you make your purchase. It's a great way to support the school at not cost to you.

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1186796-0>