Dunchurch Schools' Federation News



Dear Parents/Carers and Children

It was lovely to see all the children back in school this week. They have settled back into routines very quickly and have really enjoyed the time spent with their class mates and teachers.

It has been a lot busier around school this week and unfortunately some people have not parked in a considerate way. Please can you think about parking safely and driving safely near to the schools.

Bad Parking





Please can all parents/carers keep to the social distancing rules at drop off and pick up time, so that we all stay safe.

Please can all of the school laptops that were loaned out during the Lockdown period be returned to school now through the school office.

To ensure all Y6 pupils have a place at secondary school in September, Y6 parents need to accept or decline the place they have been offered on 1st March 2021. They can do this by going to this website: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applying-secondary-school-place

Today, all staff have been working hard on how we teach vocabulary across the federation. Some of the junior school staff were involved in positive handling training in the afternoon. Thank you for having the children at home today. This training had been in the diary for a long time and unfortunately could not be changed. I appreciate that the timing was not ideal.

Mr. Dewes will be working for the Federation on Thursdays this half term and his last day will be on 1st April 2021. I would like to thank him for his support to me personally in my role during this term.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Tracy Miller

Interim Executive Headteacher of Dunchurch Infant School and Dunchurch Boughton C. of E. (V.A.) Junior School

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Useful Information

Pupil Premium criteria and application process

Eligibility

Families who receive the following are eligible for free school meals:

- income support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- income-related employment and support allowance (ESA)
- guarantee element of state pension credit
- Universal Credit (with an annual income of less than £7,400)
- Both income-based and contribution-based JSA/ESA if you receive the same amount for both. You should also
 qualify if you receive both but the income-based amount is greater, but not if the contribution-based amount is
 greater.
- Families who are awarded Child Tax Credit and have an annual income, as assessed by HMRC, not in excess of £16,190 are also eligible to claim free school meals providing there is no entitlement to Working Tax Credit (unless in respect of a 4-week 'run-on').

If you receive a qualifying benefit, free school meals are available for:

- Pupils at any school maintained by the authority (including a sixth form attached to a maintained school).
- Pupils attending maintained nurseries, as long as they are attending before and after lunch. Free school meals are not available to children attending private nurseries.

The online checking system only confirms or denies your eligibility to claim free school meals, it does not give us any other information.

If you are currently in receipt of either Universal Credit or the four week run on of Working Tax Credit you will need to send proof to us you have completed and saved your application.

When your eligibility has been confirmed and your application processed, you will be sent an email confirming eligibility. The school will also receive notification of your child's application.

If your application is unsuccessful, the online checking system will continuously check your eligibility status and inform you and the school of any changes.

If your application is successful, your child(ren) will be eligible for free school meals until at least summer 2023, which is when the roll out of Universal Credit is due to be completed. This is irrespective of any changes to your financial circumstances

Further information can be found at: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals or by calling 01926 359189

Relationships and Sex and Health Education Parent Forum

On 30th March at 6pm, we will be holding a forum on TEAMS for parents from both schools. We will be discussing our policy, approach and the resources we will be using to teach this part of the curriculum. If you are interested in joining this session, please could you email the school office and then the link to join will be emailed out to you.

Dunchurch Village Magazine

This is a link for the Dunchurch quarterly village magazine which includes an article from the school. http://friendsofdunchurchsociety.org/friendsofdunchurch/attach/FODS%20Magazine/magazine-issue-10.pdf

This is a video link a special Mother's Day Collective Worship that will be live on the DBE You-tube page shortly: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXQ2-Pgzbllo9X7gsZ6yNgQ/videos

The service is taken from the Children's Society's materials and the theme is 'Fighting for Hope'. The intention is to enable children to bring before God the happy and sad times they have encountered in the last year and to give thanks for all those people in their lives who have 'mothered' them through these times.

To help children and young people, their parents and carers manage mental wellbeing, deal with stress, anxiety and uncertainty, PHE have dedicated resources on the https: www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/

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Woody's Blog

Hello Everyone

There's been a buzz of excitement in school this week as you have all retuned. It's been so lovely to walk through the corridors and hear you all enjoying special time with your teachers and friends.

Remember to keep washing your hands and be kind to each other.

Love from Woody







Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News



Diary Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Violin lessons PM in hall			RED NOSE DAY Comic Relief Non Uniform wear something red

Term and Diary Dates

Friday 19th March—RED NOSE DAY Comic Relief (see flyer attached to email)

Tuesday 30th March— R.S.E TEAMS forum 6pm

Thursday 1st April—Last day of term before the Easter Holidays break

Monday 19th April—Back to School

Tuesday 20th April—Reception only National Child Measurement Programme CANCELLED

Week commencing 26th April—School Parent/Carer Telephone consultation appointments

Monday 3rd May—May-Day Bank Holiday

Week commencing 3rd May—Nursery Parent/Carer Telephone consultation appointments

Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June—Spring Half term holiday week

Friday 26th June—Teacher Training day

Wednesday 7th July Induction day across all Warwickshire schools

Thursday 22nd July Last day of term before Summer holidays

Attachments

- Dinner menu—Week 1 Yellow
- Kits Academy Easter Holiday Flyer
- Bikeability Easter Flyer
- Oral Health and World Sleep day fliers

Covid Test Results

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

Children's birthdays and non school uniform.

We would like to continue the practise started last term where children can wear their own non-school uniform clothes to school on their birthdays, or date nearest to it if it fall at the weekend or school holidays. If it is your child's PE day then please can they wear appropriate shoes.

WCC Family Information Service

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

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Parent Consultation Appointments

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

Rainbow Room Wednesday 5th May

Blue Room Wednesday 5th May

Red Room Tuesday 4th May

Elf Owls Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th April (late)

Little Owls Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th April (late)

Barn Owls Tuesday 27th (late) and Wednesday 28th April

Snowy Owls Tuesday 27th (late) and Wednesday 28th April

Spectacled Owls Tuesday 27th (late) and Wednesday 28th April

Tawny Owls Tuesday 27th (late) and Wednesday 28th April

Appointments can be booked online through our Parents Evening system and is live until Tuesday 30th March at 8pm.

To log in you will need your first name and surname, plus your child's date of birth.

Please add you preferred contact telephone number for the appointment in the 'Appointment Messages' option on the booking screen. The on-line booking system is available here: https://dunchurchinfants.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/

Each appointment is 10 minutes long and will be a telephone consultation between parents and teachers and no meetings will be face to face.

Dunchurch Boughton C. of E. Junior School News



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

Diary Dates

Monday 15th	Tuesday 16th	Wednesday 17th	Thursday 18th	Friday 19th	After next week
Guitar lessons	Piano Lessons	Violin and Keyboard lessons	Drum lessons	Comic Relief non-school uniform day.	

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Friday 19th March Comic Relief non school uniform day

Tuesday 30th March R.S.E TEAMS forum 6pm

Thursday 1st April Last day of term before the Easter Holidays break

Monday 19th April Back to School

Monday 19th – 29th April Parents' consultations

Monday 3rd May Day Bank Holiday

Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June Spring Half term holiday week

Attachments

- Dinner menu—Week 1 Yellow
- Parents' Consultation Information Letter
- Kits Academy Holiday Flyer
- Bikeabitlity Easter Flyer
- Oral Health and World Sleep day fliers

Parents' Consultation

Parents' consultations went live on Wednesday 10th March.

The on-line booking system is available here:

https://dunchurchjuniorschool.parentseveningsystem.co.uk

To log in you will need your first name and surname, plus your child's date of birth. **Please add you preferred contact telephone number for the appointment in the** *Appointment Messages* **option on the booking screen.** Please be aware that only the parent who is the first priority contact for their child on our database, is able to make an appointment via *parentseveningsystem*.

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Comic Relief

Next Friday (19th March) is Red Nose Day, organised by Comic Relief, which raises money to transform lives in the UK and round the world, aiming to create a just world free from poverty. The School Council have voted for what they would like to do at the Junior School, so all children can wear non-uniform, and also come to school with coloured hair if they like. As it is Year 6's PE day, they will still need to wear PE kit. Children can wear a red nose to school, but obviously need to make sure they keep it to themselves!

We're not able to run a cake sale this year, so instead children can also bring in one small cake to eat themselves at break time, and the school councillors will be organising a Red Nose Day themed quiz in classrooms.

Please make a £1 donation to Comic Relief, either as cash or via Parentpay (we will then quarantine cash before paying it in).



School Office

If it is <u>essential</u> 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.

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, as **all unnecessary visits to the office with forgotten items are to be avoided.** Thank you for helping us to keep our school a safer place.

Returning School Laptops

If you have a school laptop at home then please can you return it to the school office ASAP. Please can we ask that only one parent is in the reception area at a time when returning your laptop to keep social distancing and that you wear a face mask.

Returning School Reading Books

Please remember to return any extra reading books that you may have taken home during lockdown.

Updated Contact Details

Please can you update the school offices if you have a change of address, email or phone number etc.

Year 6 Hoodies.

Please can year 6 parents who are ordering a Leavers' Hoodie send their order to the PTA mail box. PTA@dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk Deadline is Friday 19th March 2021.

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Reception	Elf Owls: All children	Little Owls: All children	
Year 1	Barn Owls:	Snowy Owls:	
	All children	All children	
Year 2	Spectacled Owls: All children	Tawny Owls: All children	
Year 3	Miss Roberts: All children	Mrs. Tildesley & Mrs. Jenks: All children	
Year 4	Mr. Beasley: All children	Mr. Rattue: All children	
Year 5	Mrs. Keffler: All children	Mrs. Broderick & Mrs. Hayward: All children	
Year 6	Mrs. Cooper: All children	Mrs. Andrews:	







