Dunchurch Schools' Federation News



Dear Parents/Carers and Children

Thank you to parents and carers for your continuous support and for following our guidance to keep everyone safe.

The guidance around the bus has changed again and Public Health have made another change in the last week. This is the message that I received this week. "On the larger transports (larger than minibuses) we have urgently reviewed our position and will reinstate seating plans and only isolate children in seats within a 2m radius of a case on a bus, if there is a positive case".

Public Health have also given us this information for primary aged pupils. "P.H.E. has advised that there are currently limited public health benefits to testing primary-aged pupils with lateral flow devices (LFD). In addition, primary-aged pupils, particularly younger children, may find the LFD testing process unpleasant and are unable to self-swab."

We are advising that primary-aged pupils should only be tested if they are symptomatic, in which case their families should follow the <u>guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infec-</u> <u>tion</u> and <u>book a PCR test</u> for the child."

Next Wednesday morning, the Junior School will be walking to church in their bubble for our Easter Service. Please contact school, if you are able to help with walking the children to and from school. Unfortunately, this year parents will not be allowed in church.

Please see the attached information from St. Peter's church. This is called "Walking the Way of the Cross"

Please could I ask all parents to keep their children out of the fenced off area behind year 2. Unfortunately, a teaching resource made for a year 1 project was damaged by some younger children after school.

I am happy to let you know that some of our clubs at both schools will be recommencing after Easter. Please look out for information coming out shortly linked to this. Teachers in all year groups are also considering which trips/visitors we can include once national lockdown restricts change.

I have received this message from Friends of Dunchurch this week "As Britain in Bloom National finalists, Dunchurch has been invited to take part in the RHS Community Awards 2021 and we have been pleased to accept this honour. As part of our entry, we would like to include a logo designed by a child from Dunchurch Junior School and hope this may be something the children would like to do." Please see the attached flyer with information.

Next Thursday, will be Mr. Dewes last day in school. We have some COVID safe celebrations planned and I know that the children and adults are doing well at keeping these a surprise.

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Tracy Miller

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

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Woody's Blog

Hello Everyone

I have not been popular with the staff this week as I have had a haircut. I had a lovely pampering session for a couple of hours and I've felt like a new doggie. The staff were very jealous, especially Mr Dewes.

I thought I'd share a photo of one of my cats. This is Lewey, a Ragdoll crossbreed. He is very fluffy and a handsome boy, but can be very naughty at times. He often sleeps in my bed and chases my other cat, Maisy.

I'm so excited that Easter is nearly here and I'm hoping Mrs Beech has bought me a dog friendly Easter egg.

Have a lovely weekend





Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News



Diary Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Violin lessons PM in hall R.S.E TEAMS forum 6pm			
After Easter Fitness Club		After Easter DM Football Yr1 & 2	After Easter DM Football Yr1 & 2	After Easter Fitness Club

Term and Diary Dates

Thursday 1st April—Last day of term before the Easter Holidays break Thursday 1st April— 'Silly' non-uniform day for the PTA)see PTA page) Monday 19th April—Back to School 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 25th 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 3 Blue
- Dunchurch Infant School Term Dates
- Letter to Parents & Carers—HAF, Public Health Update & FSM Provisions
- Walking the Way of the Cross

Covid Test Results

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

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.

Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Thank you for your kind donations, we have raised £283.50.

WCC Family Information Service

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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.

TERMLY GREEN AWARD

Awarded to Barn Owls

Well done to the children in Mrs Rawes & Mr Coppillie'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



Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News PTA page



PTA News

We want to bring a little fun and Easter cheer to these last few weeks of term, so we have a few small events coming up.

In the autumn term we did some 'in-school treats' to sort of take the place of the cake sales that we did pre-Covid, and next week there will be some **sweet treats** given out to all of the children in the Nursery and School year groups - look out for those coming home.

Also next week there will be an in-school **colouring activity** with a cuddly toy or Easter egg as a prize for each class including nursery.

Finally, on Thursday April 1st there will be a **'silly' non-uniform day** with a suggested £1 donation which will go to the PTA fundraising.

In School Events - donate via ParentPay

A huge thanks to everyone who has already donated so far. You can still make a donation (suggested £10 per child for the academic year) via ParentPay to cover the in school events we are planning in place of our traditional playground events. Included in the plans are the sweet treats and the colouring activity mentioned above. Thank you to all of the families who donated last term, if you haven't donated yet this academic year please do.

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 <u>dunchurchinfantpta@gmail.com</u> or the facebook page <u>https://</u>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 <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/</u> <u>DunchurchInfantandNurseryPTA</u> where will we 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.



Dunchurch Boughton C. of E. Junior School News



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

Diary Dates

Monday 29th	Tuesday 30th	Wednesday 31st	Thursday 1st	Friday 26th	After next week
Guitar lessons	R.S.E TEAMS forum 6pm	Easter Service St Peter's Church	Drum lessons Last day of Term	School Closed for the Easter Break.	Back to School 19th April

Diary Dates

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

Wednesday 31st March Easter Service St Peter's Church

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 3 Blue No Cold Deli Bag Choice
- Junior School Logo Letter
- Walking the Way of the Cross

School Library Books

Please can you check at home for all school library books borrowed from school over the past twelve month. We need all of the school library books returning ASAP so that they can be returned to the county library service. Library books will have a green sticker that either says SLS or Schools Library Service on the spine. Thank you in advance for you assistance.

Charity News.

A bit thank you to everyone who took part in our **Comic Relief** fundraising day last Friday . The Junior School managed to raise £201.10.

Another great result was our **Break the Rule** Day PTA fund raising event in December last year. The total raised by the parents and student was £459.45 so thank you to everyone who took part.

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.

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Afternoon School Clubs Returning in the Summer Term

After the Easter holiday, some outdoor sport clubs will be restarting.

Year 6 Mixed Football with Mr James will be restarting on Monday 19th April. Year 4 Mixed Football and Year 5 Mixed Football with Mr James and Mrs Clusker (these clubs will be run on separate parts of the field) will restart on Wednesday 21st April. If your child is interested in joining please complete the online form (links below)

Year 6 Mixed Football Club form

Year 5 Mixed Football Club form

Year 4 Mixed Football Club form

DM Football coaching will also be restarting their clubs (Tuesday - Year 5 and 6: 3.30-4.45pm) and Thursday (Year 3 and 4: 3.30-4.45pm), letters with details to follow. The clubs for each year group will run simultaneously but on separate parts of the field.

Hotshots basketball will also be restarting (outdoors) for Year 4 (3.30-4.15) and Year 6 (4.30-5.15) for the first half term - letters to follow.

Community Group will be running (subject to interest) an Athletics club for each year group. The clubs will be led by Charlie (who ran dodgeball clubs in the Autumn term) and will consist of running, jumping and throwing activities. Details and a link to their online form will follow when we receive them.

Instrument Lessons Next Week

4R will have their final *Upbeat* lesson next Thursday 1st April. Please can you make sure your child has their instrument in school on that day.

There will be no violin, keyboard or piano lesson until week beginning 26th April.

Drum and guitar lessons are on next week as per the regular timetable.

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.

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Allsorts Online Magazine

Follow the <u>link</u> to the March/May digital version of Allsorts magazine . <u>www.allsortsmag.com</u> There are lots of activities to keep you busy, plus helpful features (baking, crafting, health etc.). Look out for the competition to find 5 Billy Balls in the adverts, you could win £20 to spend at your favourite independent local shop plus 10% off certain books at Hunt's Books.

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Reception	Elf Owls: Yixin L	Little Owls: Anaya J	
Year 1	Barn Owls: Eli H	Snowy Owls: Jacob W	
Year 2	Spectacled Owls: Harry H	Tawny Owls: Oriana W	
Year 3	Miss Roberts: Charlie	Mrs. Tildesley & Mrs. Jenks: Edward	
Year 4	Mr. Beasley: Maizee	Mr. Rattue: Molly	
Year 5	Mrs. Keffler: Matthew	Mrs. Broderick & Mrs. Hayward: Danielle	
Year 6	Mrs. Cooper: Seb T	Mrs. Andrews: Lorenzo	

