

Dunchurch Schools' Federation News



Dear Parents/Carers and Children

It definitely feels like some normality is returning to school and teachers are working hard at both schools to plan some activities during the summer term that the children will really enjoy and that we would normally have. More details will be coming as events are planned.

It was lovely to accompany the children in year 1 on their Spring walk and to see them engaging with this learning on Wednesday. We were very lucky with the weather. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Lewis who are working hard to develop the outdoor area by year 1. Next week year 1 children will be planting seeds to be used in this area.

On the 22nd June, we are planning to take the Junior school children in bubbles, on their annual walk around Draycote. We will be leaving school at 9.00 am. We will be back to school by 12.30 pm. If you are able to help with this, please can you contact the school office.

Relationships Jigsaw puzzle- This half term in P.S.H.E. the children will be learning about relationships. Please see the attached knowledge Organisers with a section for parents on how to support your children and discuss this topic.

This information has come through to all schools from Warwickshire and we have been asked to share it with parents.

Safety alert: Concerning content circulating on social media

"Sadly, we've been informed of inappropriate content currently circulating across social media channels including Tik-Tok and Snapchat. The age restriction is 13 for using these sites.

While there is no identified threat to Warwickshire from a safeguarding point of view, we take any issue of abuse seriously. In light of the number of young people who may view this content, we wish to make as many school staff and parents aware as possible.

Information for anyone who has been a victim of abuse can be found" via <https://safeinwarwickshire.com/support/>

Two Exciting Bits of News from the Rotary Clubs in Rugby

1. The **'LOCKDOWN Challenge**': because we have not been able to run as many of the Rotary Youth Competitions as usual, we have worked with the Borough to devise a **Fun Challenge** to everyone in the Borough of 18 years and under. Not a competition, just a chance for creative young people to express their 'take' on any aspect of the Lockdown experience which they choose - in prose, poetry, song, or visual art - and submit it digitally by 22 May. The details and poster are on the attachment - thank you to the Gallery for the poster-design, and you are likely to hear from them too. Every participant will receive a certificate by email, and Rotary and the Art Gallery hope to arrange the display of examples of the work 'really' and 'virtually' over half term holiday and beyond.
2. The **Rotary Music Bursaries**: for 13 years, the Rotary club have run a Trust which helps parents with fees for music lessons, or with hire of an instrument. If you have a child who is keen on music, and already show talent or deserve their chance to show it, but your family for any reason may feel the need of support in providing it, **please let me know**. I can then put you in touch with the club.

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Parents in year 4- Children in year 4 will be taking part in the optional multiplication tables check (MTC), in June 2021. The purpose of the check is to determine whether pupils can fluently recall their times tables up to 12, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also help us identify pupils who may need additional support. If you want more information, please follow this link.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/multiplication-tables-check-information-for-parents/multiplication-tables-check-information-for-parents-text-version--2>

I would like to thank all the teachers at both schools for talking to parents over the last couple of weeks. Thank you also for the positive parental feedback received. Please look out for a parental survey that will come out next week.

Please remember that the children are not in school on Monday, as it is a bank holiday. I hope you have a lovely, long weekend and I will see the children on Tuesday.

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 was excited to return to the Junior School this week. I've been sitting on my chair watching the children go past my office and particularly enjoyed it when they stopped to say hello. I've also been for two walks around the lovely big field. I've heard that there are some baby chicks but I haven't been allowed to meet them in case I get too excited.

We had a special delivery from Dunelm this week. We came top of the class in a competition they were running and won 4 gardening pots. I shall enjoy watering them.

Over Easter I had a special delivery of a cuddly toy from Guide Dogs for the Blind. It represents Murphy, the guide dog we are sponsoring. Cuddly Murphy will be visiting you in your classroom and hopes to have lots of fun.

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend



Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News



Diary Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bank Holiday—No school and nursery	Violin lessons PM in hall	DM Football Yr1 & 2	DM Football Yr1 & 2	Hiit Fitness Year 2

Term and Diary Dates

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
 Tuesday 8th June—Class and Individual school & nursery photos
 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](#)
- ◆ **Rotary Lockdown Youth challenge**
- ◆ *Onside* Holiday Club Flyer
- ◆ Kits Academy Holiday Club Flyer

Donations of clothes

Please could be have donations of year 1&2 school uniforms, exercise clothes, knickers, tights and socks, pants and socks.

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 [link](#).

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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

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 Little Owls

Well done to the children in Miss Lodge'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

CHANGES TO YEAR 2's READING BOOK DAYS

Spectacled Owls is now Tuesdays Tawny Owls is now Thursdays

PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL AND NURSERY

Please can we remind parents/carers to be mindful of where they are parking their cars everyday.





Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News PTA page



PTA News

PTA Zoom Meeting

Thanks to everyone who came along to the PTA meeting on Zoom this week. Parents are always welcome to come along and find out more about the activities we have planned and how to get involved.

Fundraising Activities

We have some plans for fun fundraising activities that we hope to run in this summer term. Watch this space for more information and also keep an eye on the PTA Facebook page. 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

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.

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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



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Diary Dates

Monday 3rd	Tuesday 4th	Wednesday 5th	Thursday 6th	Friday 7th	After next week
May Day Holiday School Closed.	After School Clubs DM Football Year 5 3.30-4.45pm DM Football Year 6 3.30-4.45pm Year 4 Athletics Club starts 3.30-4.30pm Piano and individual brass lessons	After School Clubs Year 4 Mixed Football 3.30-4.30pm Year 5 Mixed Football 3.30-4.30pm Hotshots basketball Year 4 3.30-4.15pm Hotshots basketball Year 6 4.30-5.15pm Violin and keyboard lessons	After School Clubs DM Football Year 3 3.30-4.45pm DM Football Year 4 3.30-4.45pm Year 6 Athletics Club starts 3.30-4.30pm Drum lessons 4B Upbeat lesson	After School Clubs Year 3 Athletics Club starts 3.30pm-4.30pm	

Monday 3rd May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June Spring half term holiday week
Friday 25th June Teacher Training Day school closed
Wednesday 7th July Secondary School Transition Day
Thursday 22nd July last day of term
Thursday 2nd September Teacher Training Day
Friday 3rd September 2021 Autumn Term start date

Attachments

- ◆ Dinner Menu Week 3 **Blue** Full menu including cold Deli Bags
- ◆ Onside Holiday Club Flyer
- ◆ Kits Academy Holiday Club Flyer
- ◆ Rotary Lockdown Challenge

School Dinners

We are pleased to confirm that the full range of Deli Bags, as per the menu attachment, will be available to the children to order every day again in school.

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PTA Funded Activity. Hoop Guy

We are delighted to announce that Hoop Guy will be in school working with the children on 13th and 14th May.

Hoop Guy has been Hooping professionally for 10 years and also reached the semi-final of Britain's Got Talent in 2017. This is a PTA funded activity for the Junior School children and should be a great activity for fitness and fun.

To take part in the Hoop Guy activities, please can you make sure your child wears their PE kit to school on the following days dependant on year groups.

Thursday 13th May year 4 and year 6.

Friday 14th May year 3 and year 4.

Year 3 Swimming Lessons.

We are delighted to say that we have sessions booked for Year 3's to attend swimming lessons. The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Centre have designed an intensive 2-week program, which aims to enable the children to meet the key stage 2 swimming requirements.

3R will have their intensive swimming lessons **every day** for 1 hour, from the **17th May until the 28th May** at 1pm until 2pm.

3JT will have their intensive swimming lessons **every day** for 1 hour, from the **7th June until the 18th June** at 1pm until 2pm.

The children will have an early lunch in school and then travel by coach to the pool. They will return to school in time for their normal finish.

To help cover the costs of swimming a voluntary contribution of £57.88 is requested. This can be spread over 12 weeks, at £4.82 per week. Payments should be made via ParentPay. If insufficient funds are raised pupils will not be able to go swimming. If you require assistance with meeting this contribution, please contact the school office.

Finally, if you are available from 12:30pm till 2:30pm each day to help supervise the children on the coach please get in touch with the school.

Instrumental Lessons

We wanted to give parents as much notice as possible that for next academic year 2021 - 2022, the majority of our individual/small group instrumental lessons (woodwind, brass, violin, keyboard/piano and drum-kit) will be provided by Independent Music Solutions (IMS). We anticipate that guitar lessons will still be taught by Mr Butler and that Warwickshire Music will still be able to deliver whole class brass lessons to Year 4 (paid for by school).

Further details on how to sign-up for, or continue instrumental lessons with IMS and Mr Butler, will be communicated later in the summer term. However, if your child currently receives instrumental lessons at school via a Warwickshire Music teacher, then please remember to cancel your contract and do not renew it for September. This is also important for any parents of Year 6 children, as you may incur charges for lessons you haven't specially requested. It is our understanding that unless Warwickshire Music receive a request to terminate a contract, they will simply carry it over to the next academic year.

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Nut allergy reminder

A reminder that children must not bring any nut products, including sandwich fillers and cereal based bars into school. This is to protect our children who have nut allergies. Thank you for your co-operation.

Absence from school due to sickness and / or diarrhoea

A reminder that our school follows the Public Health England guidelines that state that children should be off school for 48 hours after the last episode of sickness and/or diarrhoea. Thank you for your assistance and support.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Holly in year 6 who passed her Grade 6 in Artistic Roller Skating last weekend. A great achievement considering how little skating she has done over the last year due to national lockdowns. Well done Holly!

One Way System

Please continue to follow the one-way system around the school site at all times when dropping off and collecting your children. Thank you in advance for helping to make our school a safe place.

Missing Fleece Year 5

Please can you check any fleeces you have at home to confirm it belongs to your child.

One of our year 5 children has lost their fleece in school and it may have been worn home by another child in error. It has the initials 5JWM on the inside of the garment.

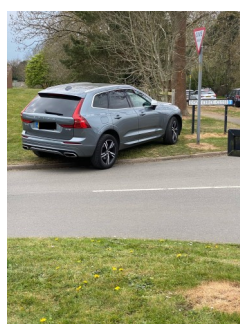
School Bus/After School Arrangements

Please phone the school office if there are any changes with your child's after school arrangements so that we can ensure our bus register is correct.

Parking

Please could I ask you to consider carefully where you park your car around the school area. Consider our local residents and the safety of the children, other drivers and the general public. Where possible, consider parking slightly further away from school and walking a little further, so that we keep everybody safe. Please do not to park on the pavements or the grass verges.

Below are some reported poor parking from around the school this week.



Dunchurch Schools' Federation News Stars of the Week



Reception	Elf Owls: Abi L	Little Owls: Ava B
Year 1	Barn Owls: Nathan R	Snowy Owls: Olivia K
Year 2	Spectacled Owls: Joshua E	Tawny Owls: Diago O
Year 3	Miss Roberts: Thomas B	Mrs. Tildesley & Mrs. Jenks: Tiarna T
Year 4	Mr. Beasley: Isabelle H	Mr. Rattue: Leila S
Year 5	Mrs. Keffler: Imogen G	Mrs. Broderick & Mrs. Hayward: Felix J
Year 6	Mrs. Cooper: Francesca W	Mrs. Andrews: Jessica P

