

Dunchurch Schools' Federation News



Dear parents/carers and children,

The Governors are delighted to have appointed Joss Andrews to be our Executive Head teacher from September 2021. Joss comes to us from Abbots Farm Junior School in Rugby. We are looking forward to him joining the Dunchurch team.

Lindsey Wright, Chair of Governors

We have now completed all of our phone calls with parents linked to their child's learning and I would like to thank the nursery staff this week. I know that many schools have not offered a consultation this term and I am grateful to our staff for their efforts to facilitate this.

Warwickshire Family Information Support Line- If you need any support you can call 01926 412412. They will be able to direct you to the correct service and provide some online courses that can help. Some areas covered are: Understanding your pregnancy, understanding your baby, understanding your child, understanding your teenagers brain, understanding trauma, understanding attachment and understanding special educational needs.

Last month the Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza, launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever survey of children in England. It asks all children about their priorities and concerns for the future, so that we can put children at the heart of the national recovery post-COVID-19. If you would like your child to complete this, please do so at home through the link. The deadline for completing the survey is Friday 28 May.

I am so grateful to the P.T.A.'s at both schools, who are trying to arrange some exciting activities for our children to be involved in during the summer term. I know how hard these groups work within our school community. On that note, I would like to let Junior parents know that we have "Hoop Guy" visiting school soon to teach all the children some skills.

Please could parents and carers complete our parental survey by Friday 28th May on the following links for Infants [here](#) or Juniors [here](#).

We value your opinion and are always looking to improve and move forward.

I hope you all 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've seen some fantastic work at school this week and given out some of my special stickers. I had a few walks around the field, played ball and chased some huge bubbles. I've even helped out with some work in the office but it was so tiring I had to have a little rest afterwards.

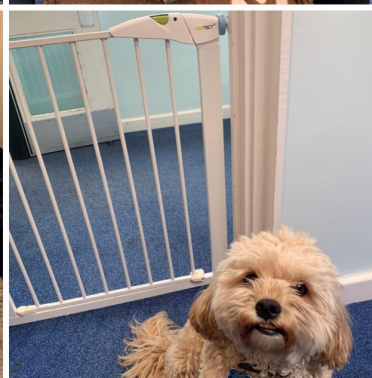
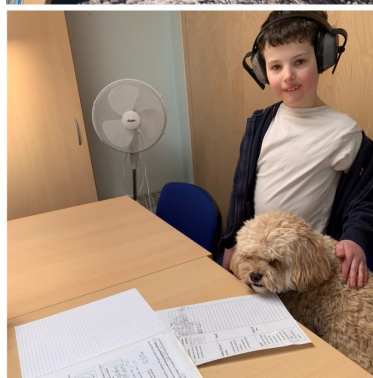
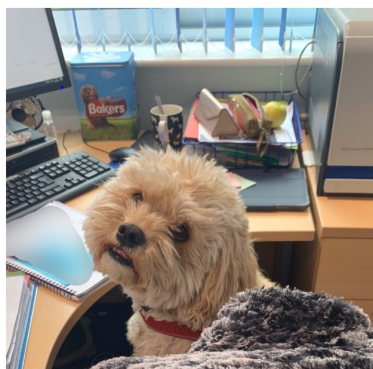
A special thank you to a lovely parent who donated a gate for my office door to keep me safe.

Have a lovely weekend and let's hope the weather warms up.



VACANCY

The Junior School are looking for a part time cleaner to join our busy team. The hours are 3.40pm-5.50pm, Monday to Friday. Start date is as soon as possible. There may be some flexibility to work early mornings if necessary. If you are interested please contact the school office on [01788 811028](tel:01788811028).



Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News



Diary Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hiit Fitness Year 1 SPACES AVAILABLE	Violin lessons PM in hall	DM Football Yr1 & 2 SPACES AVAILABLE	DM Football Yr1 & 2	Hiit Fitness Year 2 SPACES AVAILABLE

Term and Diary Dates

Tuesday 25th May — NCMP Reception children only (revised date)
 Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June — Spring Half term holiday week
 Tuesday 8th June — Class and Individual school & nursery photos
 Thursday 10th June — Vision Screening Reception children only
 Tuesday 22nd June evening meeting— New Reception children parents evening for 2021/22 (letter to follow)
 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

2021/22

Thursday 2nd September — Teacher Training day
 Friday 3rd September — Children into school for start of new term

ALL TERM DATES INCLUDING HOLIDAYS AND TEACHER TRAINING DAYS ARE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

WEEKLY GREEN AWARD

Awarded to Snowy Owls

Well done to the children in Miss Shrimpton and 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

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Attachments

- ◆ Dinner menu—Week 1 **YELLOW**
- ◆ Cars and Kids Don't Mix leaflet—Road Safety Team
- ◆ Safe and Active travel newsletter May—Road Safety Team

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@dunchurfederation.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 the date nearest to it, if it falls at the weekend or during the 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](#).

Compass

National Smile month

<http://www.compass-uk.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/National-smile-month-parent-resource.pdf>

Mental Health Awareness week

<https://www.compass-uk.org/services/warwickshire-school-health-wellbeing-service/>



Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News PTA page



PTA News

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 10th	Tuesday 11th	Wednesday 12th	Thursday 13th	Friday 14th	After next week
Year 6 Mixed Football 3.30-4.30pm Year 5 Athletics Club starts 3.30-4.30pm Guitar lessons on	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	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	Hoop Guy Year 4 and Year 6 in PE Kit 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	Non School Uniform Day Hoop Guy Year 3 and Year 5 in PE Kit Year 3 Athletics Club starts 3.30pm-4.30pm	Year 5 Space Camp 3R intensive swimming lessons

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

Tuesday 8th June Class Photographs

Tuesday 22nd June Walk to Draycote morning

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 1 **Yellow**
- ◆ Cars and Kids Leaflet
- ◆ Safe and Active Travel

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PTA Funded Activity. Hoop Guy

We are delighted to announced 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. A big thank you to the PTA for paying for this.

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 5.

Discovery Education/Espresso

Discovery Education are up-grading their service to include personal logins for each child so that they can login from home. On 27th April we sent out a parental consent form for parents to complete.

If you have not yet completed the consent form, then please click [here](#).

Body and Soul

We have signed up to an event next week called Body and Soul; this will involve some rehearsals of a specially created fitness routine in each classroom next Monday-Thursday, led by Mr Motivator, followed by a livestream event on Friday when we'll perform the routine together nationwide. Body and Soul is being organised by three charities: Oasis, The Children's Society and Applause for Thought, to help lift us mentally and physically, as well as raise funds for young people's mental health.

To celebrate the end of this challenge, **next Friday 14th will be a non-uniform day** - if your child is doing PE that day, they will need to wear clothes which are suitable for PE, including wearing trainers. Please make a £1 donation to ParentPay - this will be split equally between the 3 charities. Thank you.



Draycote Walk.

On Tuesday 22nd June, the whole Junior school will be walking to Draycote Water from Dunchurch and back to raise money for JDRF—Type 1 Diabetes Research UK and Dunchurch Junior school fund. The walk will take place in the morning of 22nd within the year group bubbles.

If you are able to join us on the day then please call the school office on 01788 811028 or email office@dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk.

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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.

WCC Family Information Service

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National Smile Month

To promote Oral Health the Warwickshire School Health and Wellbeing Service are promoting National Smile Month by creating oral health related resources for families. The family resource contains information with fun family activities and sun safety information. The family resource can be accessed [here](#).

Dunchurch Schools' Federation News Stars of the Week



Reception	Elf Owls: Chloe H	Little Owls: Jian B
Year 1	Barn Owls: Amelia B	Snowy Owls: Edith N
Year 2	Spectacled Owls: Tayana M	Tawny Owls: Zach M-L
Year 3	Miss Roberts: Emily S	Mrs. Tildesley & Mrs. Jenks: Anika R
Year 4	Mr. Beasley: Poppy T	Mr. Rattue: Addison P
Year 5	Mrs. Keffler: Naomi W	Mrs. Broderick & Mrs. Hayward: Beau CM
Year 6	Mrs. Cooper: Jacob M	Mrs. Andrews: Liam C

