Dunchurch Schools' Federation News



Dear parents/carers and children,

It was lovely to welcome the children back into school on Monday and to hear their stories of the fun they had during their week off.

Equality and Diversity- Our newly formed group of children at the Junior school have made a great start at looking at how we operate as a school. One of their suggestions is that we hold a day on 2/7/2021, whereby we study this and learn more about what this means. This will be a day that all children across the Federation are involved in. Mrs. Andrews, Mrs Barnes, myself and the group are currently planning activities and visitors for the day. I will be providing more information closer to the time. If anyone thinks they can offer support in this area or can come and talk to the children about this, please let me know.

Curriculum enrichment- Year 3 will be having a visitor from a charity linked to protecting Hedgehogs and on the 1st of July year 2-6 will be involved in the Rugby School run "Festival on the Close." Children will be involved in either the music ensemble or the ballet dancer workshop.

Teacher Training Day- On the 25th June it is Teacher Training Day. The staff across the Federation will be learning about metacognition and learning behaviours. We will be developing a consistent approach to our teaching linked to this, so that we are ready for September. We are also working with Learnington Hastings on this, so there is consistency here too.

COVID-Please can I remind all parents/carers that if their child has a high temperature, cough or loss of taste or smell, their child must access a PCR test and that a LFT is not to be given. Children should not come into school if they have any of these symptoms.

Junior School wildlife photography competition

Evelyn and Matt in 5K are running a competition to raise money to buy a night vision wildlife camera for school, to be placed on the school field. This would enable us to watch the many wild animals which are there when we're not, such as rabbits, hedgehogs and deer. There will be five winners - an overall winner, and one for each year group - who will each receive a prize; their winning photos will be displayed in school and on the school website. The deadline is **Friday 18th June**, so you have one week left to take photos and enter the competition. These are the rules:

- you can enter up to 2 photos per person
- each photo costs 50p, to be paid to Parentpay
- you need to take the photos yourself
- the photos can be of wild animals or plants (not your pets!)
- you can either print your entries (up to A4 size) make sure you write your name and class on the back, or e-mail them to the Office (office@dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk put 'Photography competition' as the subject, and again, remember to tell us your name and class.

We look forward to seeing your entries!

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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Woody's Blog

I hope you all had a lovely half term.

It was a great day to be at the Junior School yesterday as it was the Year 6 traditional Great Biscuit Bake Off. The smell of the biscuits cooking was making my mouth water. The children worked really hard and the results were amazing. There was a selection of very professional and beautiful biscuits. I was really hoping I would get to try one but can you believe it, I didn't even get a crumb!

Earlier in the week I was caught relaxing in my bed while everyone else was very busy. Even Murphy, our trainee Guide Dog for the Blind has been busy with his training. Just look at how much he has grown.

Have a great weekend and stay safe in the sun







Love from Woody











Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News



Diary Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hiit Fitness Year 1	Yr2 trip to Coombe Park Violin lessons PM in hall	DM Football Yr1 & 2	DM Football Yr1 & 2	Hiit Fitness Year 2

Term and Diary Dates

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

Tuesday 15th June Year 2 Coombe Park trip

Tuesday 22nd June evening meeting New Reception children parents evening for 2021/22

Thursday 24th June Year 2 transition to Dunchurch Junior school starts

Friday 25th June Teacher Training day

Monday 28th June Tawny Owls class to visit the Junior school at 1:30pm

Tuesday 29th June Spectacled Owls class to visit the Junior school at 1:30pm

Thursday 1st July Year 2 Rugby School Festival on the Close (watching displays at the Junior school)

Friday 2nd July Diversity Day

Wednesday 7th July Induction day across all Warwickshire schools

Thursday 8th July Yr2&3 Teddy Bears picnic at the Junior school (lunch provided)

Monday 12th July Whole school Sports morning (confirmation to follow if parent/carer to attend)

Monday 12th July Yr2&3 Sports afternoon (please wear sports kit to school)

Tuesday 13th July Open evening for all classes (no appointments needed)

Monday 19th July Y2 Maypole evening 6pm to 7.30pm

Tuesday 20th July Y2 Leavers Play—Spectacled Owls—9.15am (45 minutes)(2 parents/carers allowed)

Tuesday 20th July Yr2 Leavers Play—Tawny Owls—2.15pm (45 minutes)(2 parents/carers allowed)

Wednesday 21st July Yr2 Leavers Celebration Assembly (no parents/carers)

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

School and Nursery Photographs

Versa Portraits were in school and nursery this week taking class and individual photos of the children. A proof will be sent to school in 5 - 10 working days. We will then send these home for you to order direct with the company.

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WEEKLY GREEN AWARD

Awarded to Elf Owls

Well done to the children in Mrs Carrington'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

Attachments

- Dinner menu—Week 2 Red
- ♦ Rugby School Active Camp for ages 3-14 year olds
- ♦ Warwickshire safe & Active June newsletter

New to Year 3 September 2021

Dunchurch Junior School have emailed the 'New to Year 3' Starter packs out to children who are due to start with them in September. They have used the email addresses that the parents used when they applied to Warwickshire School Admissions. If you have not received your copy and it's not in your junk mail either, please contact Dunchurch Junior School office@dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk

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

If you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 (a high temperature, a new continuous cough or loss or change to your sense of smell or taste)

- Get a PCR test (test that is sent to a lab) to check if you have COVID-19 as soon as possible.
- You and anyone you live with should stay at home and not have visitors until you get your test result.

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

Please click on the link for June's newsletter - https://www.compass-uk.org/wshwbs-newsletter-june-2021

New Rugby Parent Champion - Children Centres

We would like to introduce a new Volunteer Service we are running.

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Their aim is to signpost families who may not usually be using our Children & Family Centres. They can signpost to appropriate free sessions within our Centres, such as Baby Massage, Stay & Plays, Story Telling, etc. They can also support families to access the appropriate service to receive help or support around several issues such as parenting, housing, benefits, etc. The numbers stated on the flyers are dedicated/secure Barnardo's work telephones.

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Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery News PTA page



PTA News

School Garden

A big thank you to all of the children, staff and family helpers who supported the work in the school garden area outside the Year 1 classrooms before the half term holiday - if you've been using the one way system around the school you will have had a chance to see how hard the children (and adults) have worked to create a beautiful space.

Fundraising Activities

We are waiting to find out more about how restrictions might change in the coming weeks to clarify which 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 will we share information about upcoming activities and try to amuse you with silly gifs.

Commemorative Tea Towels

Thanks to everyone who ordered the commemorative tea towels, your support is really appreciated.

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.





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Diary Dates

Monday 14th	Tuesday 15th	Wednesday 16th	Thursday 17th	Friday 18th	After next week
Year 6 Mixed Football 3.30-4.30pm Year 5 Athletics	DM Football Year 5 3.30-4.45pm DM Football Year 6 3.30-4.45pm	Year 4 Mixed Foot- ball 3.30-4.30pm Year 5 Mixed Foot- ball 3.30-4.30pm	DM Football Year 3 3.30-4.45pm DM Football Year 4 3.30-4.45pm	Year 3 Athletics Club starts 3.30pm-4.30pm	
Club starts 3.30-4.30pm Guitar lessons	Year 4 Athletics Club starts 3.30-4.30pm	Hotshots basketball Year 3 3.30-4.15 Hotshots basketball	Year 6 Athletics Club starts 3.30-4.30pm Drum lessons		
3JT Swimming PM	Piano and individual brass lessons 3JT Swimming PM	Year 5 4.30-5.15pm Violin and keyboard lessons	4B Upbeat lesson 3JT Swimming PM		
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- Tuesday 22nd June Walk to Draycote 9am
- Thursday 24th June Year 2 transition to Dunchurch Junior school starts
- Friday 25th June Teacher Training Day school closed
- Monday 28th June Year 6 visit to Conkers
- Thursday 1st July Rugby School Festival on the Close
- Friday 2nd July Equality and Diversity Day
- Monday 5th July Year 6 visit to Coombe Abbey and Go Ape
- Wednesday 7th July Secondary School Transition Day
- Thursday 8th July Year 2 and year 3 Teddy Bears picnic 12pm-1pm.
- Tuesday 13th July Open evening to discuss reports
- Wednesday 14th July Year 6 leavers' play
- Thursday 15th July Year 6 leavers' play
- Friday 16th July 1.30-3.30pm Year 5 and year 6 sports afternoon
- Monday 19th July 1.30-3.30pm Year 3 and year 4 sports afternoon
- Tuesday 20th July Year 6 BBQ and disco
- Wednesday 21st July Year 6 picnic at Draycote
- Thursday 22nd July last day of term



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Attachments

- Dinner Menu Week 2 Red
- Active Camp Summer Holiday Flyer
- Rugby Parents' Champion

Class 5K PE day temporary PE day change.

5K will have PE on Mondays and Thursdays week beginning 14th.
5K will revert back to Tuesdays and Thursday week beginning 21st June.

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Year 6 Leavers' Book 2021.

All of our year 6 parents should have received an email this week on how to order a copy of the Year 6 Leavers' Year Book 2021.

Year 6 visit to Conkers and Go Ape

Year 6 children will have the opportunity to visit Conkers and Go Ape this Summer term and their letters were sent out this week also.

The total for both trips is £52.19 and you can spread the cost for this over two payments of £26 and £26.19 with the first by Friday 18th June and the second by Friday 2nd July. If your child would only like to go on just one of the two, then the cost for Conkers is £25.26 and Go Ape is £26.93 per child. Payments should be made via your child's ParentPay account.

Please email the school office if you need the link to either of the letters.

Sun hats, water bottles and sunscreen.

Now that we are in the Summer term, please can you make sure your child is wearing sunscreen when necessary and that they have a named sun hat and water bottle in school.

If you would like to purchase a water bottle from school, then please email the school office and we'll add the £1.50 to your child's ParentPay account.

After School Athletics Club

There are spaces for new starters at all of the athletics clubs running and the booking website has been updated so the cost is only for this half term. Please following this link if you would like your child to join.

Community Group who run the clubs will be updating their site each Friday until the end of term, so if parents choose to book on the weekend they only pay for the remaining sessions.



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A message from New Rugby Parent Champion - Children Centres

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Well Done Jessica.

During half term, Jessica P in 6A competed at the National Sailing Event at Hayling Island Sailing Club in a boat called an "RS Feva" (2 person helm/crew arrangement)

This is not Jessica's normal boat, she was asked if she wanted to crew for another person (Millie I; aged 16 – a former pupil at Dunchurch Junior School)

They were completing against 84 other boats and won the 4 day event, meaning they are now RS Feva National Champions, Girls Champions and 1st Pro/Amateur to win these titles.

This is was an amazing achievement as the competitor field included former Olympic medallists, with Jessica being one of the youngest taking part.

The result that Millie and Jessica have achieved is getting a lot positive press within the sailing world. Their sailing club (Draycote) have released a press statement resulting in the girls being interviewed on 2 different shows on BBC CWR along with a report in the "Yachts and Yachting Magazine". In addition to this, there is an article being published within the RYA (Royal Yachting Association) Racing Website/Magazine about their success.

We are so proud of what Jessica has achieved with Millie

Below is a link to the RS Feva Website that has the racing report

https://www.rsfeva.org.uk/2422-2/





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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.

Register for the 11+ test

Registration has opened for the 11+ test for entry to Warwickshire's grammar schools in September 2022. Parents need to log on to Warwickshire County Council's website to register a child to sit the test.

PTA and charity news

A big thank you to the PTA for organizing and delivering the Year 6 Hoodies. The children were thrilled to receive them today and they all look fabulous!

Good luck next week to Mrs. Barr.

Good afternoon all.

I am one of the mums of girls at Dunchurch Junior and Dunchurch Infants school and next week I will be swimming the English Channel as part of a relay team. I actually only learned how to do front crawl 2 years ago so this is a massive challenge. We are all raising money for separate charities but I have chosen *Stand up to Cancer* as this is very close to my heart. If you would like to follow our progress it will all be on our facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/ The Channel Belles

If you would like to donate then my link is below. Thank you for all of your support.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/georginabarr5utm_source=facebook&fbclid=IwAR1EUXWOztdTCXVAJdxMyBJXey-Kpa770qf39ssy1lKh1Cyu05l32cu0gXE

Dunchurch Schools' Federation News Stars of the Week













Reception	Elf Owls:	Little Owls:	
	Evie R	Zuzanna K	
Year 1	Barn Owls:	Snowy Owls:	
	Amelia B	Lily D	
Year 2	Spectacled Owls:	Tawny Owls:	
	Aston D	Freddie M	
Year 3	Miss Roberts: Layla F	Mrs. Tildesley & Mrs. Jenks: Moon Y	
Year 4	Mr. Beasley: Lyra H	Mr. Rattue: Liam K	
Year 5	Mrs. Keffler: Ava S	Mrs. Broderick & Mrs. Hayward: Amber B	
Year 6	Mrs. Cooper: Sofia BR	Mrs. Andrews: Luke C	







