

Dunchurch Infant School

Forgiveness ... Honesty ... Kindness ... Patience ... Respect



Friday, 20 May 2022

A message from Mr Andrews

Dear Families,

Another week has passed, and with just one week to go until half term, there is the inevitable feeling of just how quickly this year is passing. Between now and then is a very exciting week indeed. Across both schools and nursery, the children and staff will be engaged in a special Jubilee Week to mark the 70th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's rein. The activities being planned for the week will create a number of opportunities for children to learn about the monarchy and about British values.

Equally important, there will be the first opportunity this year for children from both schools to connect in events at the end of the week. This is something that we hoped would have happened more, but for COVID throughout the Autumn and Spring terms. Nevertheless, I know the children are excited about being able to join together as a larger Dunchurch Federation community.

As many families will be aware, senior staff and I have been undertaking interviews for specific teaching posts at school. We'd really like to thank all of the pupils who have been taught by the candidates and our school councils who interviewed them, as every one of them commented on what fantastic behaviour, manners and passion they have. Very proud indeed.

We look forward to being able to share the appointments with you all, once all posts are filled, early next half term.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend,

Best wishes,
Mr Andrews

Dunchurch Fete Sunday 26th June

We are very excited to be supporting this event again. We would like children and families from both schools to join the walking procession. Mrs. Miller will be joining this event. The theme for the parade is "70 years of achievements" Our schools have chosen "Harry Potter" as our theme and children and adults are asked to dress up to join the parade.

The parade assembles at 11.30 on the black path opposite the far entrance to the Dun Cow car park. We will be going up the pathway to the village hall this year rather than closing the road. The parade then enters the sports field and into the arena for the fancy dress judging where prizes/certificates are given.

Please put this date on your calendar and I look forward to seeing all the wonderful characters. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Assemblies and Worship

Assemblies and Collective Worship.

The children engaged well this week with The parable of "The Lost Sheep" and we linked to this story to our school value of: Kindness.

On Monday, we thought about our vision: "Ask, Seek, Knock" We thought about the big questions we have about the world and then said this prayer:

*Prayer
Dear God,
We ask you to give us enquiring minds.
Teach us to ask questions and to keep on trying to find the answers
so that we may learn new things.
Thank you for all the answers we have already found
and for all the interesting questions still to come.
Amen.*

Stars of the Week

Rainbow Room

Lunchtime

Noah O

Red Room

Lunchtime

Ibtihaj A

Blue Room

Lunchtime

Warren P

Elf Owls

Lunchtime

Nate L

Learning Behaviour of
the week

George K

Little Owls

Lunchtime

Alicia S

Learning Behaviour of
the week

Hieran R

Barn Owls

Lunchtime

Elsie C

Learning Behaviour of
the week

Joshua R

Snowy Owls

Lunchtime

Harrison B

Learning Behaviour of
the week

Jessica B

Spectacled Owls

Lunchtime

Alisa G

Learning Behaviour of
the week

Charlotte H

Tawny Owls

Lunchtime

George McC

Learning Behaviour of
the week

Eilidh R

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NURSERY

In Nursery children have continued their learning around healthy eating and keeping themselves healthy. The children helped to prepare potatoes, by washing and chopping them, taking risks using tools like knives and learning to use them safely, and discussing the importance of food hygiene. They used fresh vegetables to make baked sweet potato chips. They were delicious!

In Rainbow Room, the children had lots of fun staining paper with tea bags, using their physical skills to throw tea bags at a large frame. They have also practised their counting from 1 to 5 through singing their song of the week, '5 Little Speckled Frogs', as well as getting messy in the water tray with the frogs! It was lovely to see so many of you at our Open Morning on Tuesday, the children loved showing you around their classrooms and I hope you enjoyed learning more about our Continuous Provision.



RECEPTION

The story for this week is 'Giraffes Can't Dance'. The story talks about keeping on trying and not giving up, we have encouraged everyone to do this. We have been very pleased with the children's writing about the story, their hard work is starting to pay off. The children have retold the story in the small world, as well as make up their own stories about jungle animals. They have been busy making giraffes in both the cutting and creative areas.

The new Beebot track has been very popular, so has the Ipad table – lots of technology this week! The weather has been warm and the children have enjoyed being outside. Please remember to send the children in with a named sun hat.

In maths we are continuing counting to 20 and beyond whilst also looking at 2 D shapes in different rotations. In phonics we have continued reading and writing words using the chunking method. We have also worked hard to read words ending in 's' and 'es'.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Early Years Open Morning. We hope it has given you an understanding of Continuous Provision and how the children are learning.



School Information

Please remember we are a 'NUT FREE' school and nursery and includes food that may contain nuts or nut seeds like chocolate spread, pesto and other items, thank you.

SCHOOL BOOK BAGS - Please can your child's book bag be brought into school everyday containing their library and reading books, thank you.

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Next Wednesday morning we will be tidying up the Year 1 garden and sowing the seeds that Mrs Lewis helped us to plant during last half term. We are hoping to add a special 'jubilee edition' to our Year 1 garden too - hopefully we will be able to share this next week!

This week in year 2 the children have worked really hard to complete special learning in maths. We have also continued looking at measurements and have been measuring temperature. In English we have studied Revolting Rhymes poems by Roald Dahl and have created our own beasts. We then wrote rhyming poems about them. This week in topic we have been learning about things that are living and non-living as part of our science work. We have learned about animals and their habitats and have had fun creating our own micro-habitats.

The results from the investigations will help inform proposed drainage and earthworks strategies as well as detailed design information for the Homestead Link Road. Please note that these site investigations are separate to any proposed works on the Homestead Link Road itself which will not commence until a planning application has been submitted and determined by the local planning authority.

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DIARY DATES

Monday 23rd

Tuesday 24th

Wednesday 25th

Thursday 26th

Friday 27th



Non Uniform day—
see flyer below

PTA cake sale after
school on playground

Martial Arts

Collection from the
back of the Hall

Spanish Club

Collection from the
back of the Hall

Performing Arts

Collection from School
office

Football

Collection from the
back of the Hall

Violin lessons

12.50pm - 2.50pm

Football

Collection from the
back of the Hall

Performing Arts

Collection from the
back of the Hall

FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

30th May to 3rd June **SCHOOL & NURSERY—MAY HALF TERM**

Friday 17th June **Non-uniform day for Dunchurch Festival Tombola (sweets as a donation)**

Sunday 26th June **11.30am Walking Float, Dunchurch Festival**

Monday 27th June **Teacher Training Day—LAST ONE THIS YEAR**

Wednesday 6th July **Warwickshire Induction Day**

Monday 18th July **Open Evening for all parents and carers**

Thursday 21st July **SCHOOL & NURSERY—finish for Summer Holidays**



INVITATION

Friday 27 May 2022

Dear Children

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We would like to invite you to a fun filled day of activities in school with a picnic packed lunch to celebrate our Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

If you would like a school packed lunch including crisps, please ask your adult to fill in the link [HERE](#).

You are invited to wear anything red, white and/or blue or dress as the Queen, Royalty or you could even be a corgi! (with sensible shoes).

Monday to Wednesday the children will have learning linked to the Queen's Jubilee and reading 'Queen's Handbag' book by Steve Antony.

Thursday afternoon all the children will be going to visit the Junior school field (if dry) and each class will be matched with a Junior school class and the Junior class children will read a story to the infants and nursery children, followed by all children receiving a cake / treat to eat.

Friday will be the last day of our week long celebration. We hope the children will be able to tell you about the learning linked to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The children will be bringing home a souvenir coin purchased by the PTA.

