

NEWSLETTER 18/11/2016
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Dear Parents,

Events for week commencing Monday, 21st November 2016

Monday	Morning	11am	Year 3 nasal flu vaccine	
	Lunch time	12.30pm	Recorder Club	
	Afternoon	2pm	3S- Swim £3.83 per week	
		3.30pm-4.30pm	Zumbatomic Club	
		3.30pm-4.30pm	Code Club (Year 5&6)	
		3.30pm-4.30pm	Girls Football Club (Years 4-6)	
		3.30pm-4.30pm	Boys Football Club	
Tuesday	Lunch time	12.30pm	Gardening Club (CLUB FULL)	
		2pm	Brass Club	
	After School	3.30pm- 4.15pm	3FR- Swim £3.83 per week	
		3.30pm-4.30pm	Orchestra Club	
		3.30pm-4.30pm	CCFC Football Club	
		3.30pm-4.30pm	Mad Science Club- 2nd Group	
Wednesday	Morning	9.30am-11am	Rock Solid Club (Years 4-6)	
		11am-12.30pm	6T Visit to Cemex	
	Lunchtime	12.30pm	6M Visit to Cemex	
		After School	3.30pm- 4.20pm	Choir- Music room
			3.30- 5pm	Year 5/6 Netball Club
			3.30- 4.15pm	Film Club
			3.30pm-4.15pm	Cookery Club (CLUB FULL)
Thursday	Lunchtime	4.30-5.15pm	Year 3/4 Hotshots Basketball	
		3.30-4.30pm	Year 5/6 Hotshots Basketball	
		3.30-4.30pm	Girls Football Club (Year 3/4)	
		3.30-4.30pm	Cru Club (Year 3)	
		3.30-4.30pm	Chess Club (CLUB FULL)	
Friday	T E A C H E R	3.30-4.30pm	Theatre Club (SPACES AVAILABLE)	
			Photography/Video Club (Year 5&6)	

LETTERS GIVEN OUT THIS WEEK Year 6 visit to Cemex

ATTACHMENTS: Feedback on Parents questionnaire 2016

TEACHER TRAINING DAY A reminder that Friday 25th November is a Teacher Training Day and therefore the school is closed to children on that day.

YEAR 3 NASAL FLU IMMUNISATION A reminder that children in Year 3 who have returned their consent form will be having their nasal flu immunisation in school on Monday (21st November).

CAR PARK Children and parents are reminded that they should not walk through the car park at the beginning and end of the school day, unless they are visiting the school office.

OUTDOOR GAMES Please be aware that children in year 4, 5 and 6 will do Games outdoors in most weather conditions (with the exception of very torrential rain). We therefore strongly recommend children bring warm P.E clothing (i.e. tracksuit bottoms and tops). In case these clothes get wet, we would like to encourage children to take kits home each week to be washed.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR We will be holding a book fair in school from Tuesday 29th November – Friday 2nd December. There will be a full range of children's books from pre-school upwards. This is a great opportunity to get some bargains for Christmas as all stock will be half price. The fair will be open at lunchtimes for pupils and again between 3.30pm and 4pm for adults and children.

DUNCHURCH BAND - Free Tickets The children have all been given a free ticket to the Dunchurch Band concert which is taking place on Saturday 3rd December in Dunchurch Village Hall. The concert will comprise of a festive programme performed by both the Main Dunchurch Band and the training band. Start time is 7pm and should finish by 9pm. The cost for accompanying adults is £6 and concessions £4.

WOOSH Invoices for November were given out earlier this week. Please contact the school office if you did not receive yours.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME As you will all be aware, current attendance regulations stipulate a Head teacher may not grant a leave of absence during term-time unless there are exceptional circumstances. Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits. It is for the Head Teacher to decide what he/she views as 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. If the leave is granted, the head teacher is able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent. Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice. Failure to make an application for leave of absence can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s). Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is issued and not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996. Parents are asked to respect the new regulations under which the school must work and if there is a need to take a child out of school during term-time, an application or request must be made in advance and make clear how the circumstances are exceptional.

COVENTRY BLAZE Leaflets with details of discounted tickets were given to the children to bring home earlier this week. The tickets are for an ice hockey game on Saturday 26th November. If you are interested in attending the game please return the ticket request form to school by Wednesday, 23rd November 2016. If you didn't receive your leaflet please see the office for a spare copy.

PTA CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Friday 9th December 2016. This is a day full of fun activities, face painting and a visit to Santa, should you wish. The PTA would like each year group to donate gifts for our stalls as follows: Year 3 Books and toys/ Year 4 chocolate tombola / Year 5 fill a cup with sweets, (cups will be provided) / Year 6 adult tombola. We would also like donations of food for our Christmas Hampers too, please refer to your class teacher regarding suggested items. These make superb raffle prizes and the winning tickets are drawn after the Christmas shows. For each child that visits Santa they will receive a chocolate selection box. If anyone is able to make a donation towards these through their company for the 272 children in school please contact the school office. There will be a tuck shop, on the day, for the children mid-morning, so don't forget your to send 50p in with your child. This is a fun and fantastic day, as always we need lots of helpers, please let us know your details if you are able to volunteer some of your time. Please note the date these forms need to be returned for is Wednesday 7th December so that the PTA are able to purchase items in advance and to avoid any disappointment. There are spare copies of the letter in the office.

CHRISTMAS DINNER – Thursday, 15th December 2016 As in previous years County Caterers will be providing us with a Christmas dinner which will be served on Thursday, 15th December 2016. Christmas dinner at school is always an excellent event with party hats, music and a great atmosphere with the staff and children all eating together in the hall. There will also be a vegetarian alternative available. This year the cost of a Christmas dinner is **£2.35** – the same price as a normal dinner. As you can imagine, with the high volume of numbers involved, County Caterers have to place their poultry order early. With this in mind I would be very grateful if you would complete the slip overleaf indicating if your child will be eating a Christmas dinner or bringing sandwiches on Thursday, 15th December 2016. I look forward to receiving your replies at your earliest convenience. Please note if you have

already paid for your child's meals for this half term in advance then you won't need to make an extra payment for Christmas dinner however, it is important that you still complete and return the form indicating your child's choice i.e. Christmas dinner, vegetarian option etc. If your child does not normally eat a school meal but would like a Christmas dinner please send £2.35 cheque/cash into school with the completed form. Whichever option of payment you use please remember to complete and return the slip indicating your child's meal choice, this will ensure Mrs Freeman orders the correct amount of food.

SHOEBOX COLLECTION Thank you to those of you who sent in a shoebox for the Christmas Shoebox appeal. They were collected on Thursday and will be on their way abroad very soon. Thank you for your generosity.

YORK RESIDENTIAL VISIT The next instalment of £15 for children who are participating in the York residential visit is due by Thursday, 24th November 2016. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

TEACHING ASSISTANT APPRENTICE We are in the process of recruiting a Teaching Assistant Apprentice to join us. For further details please visit <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk>

FAMILY WORKSHOP In association with Brethertons Solicitors, we are offering children whose parents have separated the opportunity to attend a series of six workshops which seek to help them deal with the effects of family breakdown. The weekly workshops will be run in school by a school representative and Bretherton's in-house therapist, Liz Headley, who has nearly 20 years experience of working with adults and children in a variety of settings. The six sessions have been designed to offer the children the opportunity to discuss their feelings about Mum and Dad splitting and the difference it has made to their lives. They will be encouraged to think about different types of families and how they operate and how families can change over time. They will also be invited to consider their own support network both inside and outside their family and who they might go to if they were worried about something. All this will be offered in a creative, playful way so the children can feel relaxed when talking about emotional issues. If you feel that these workshops might be of benefit to your son or daughter then please complete the slip below. There are leaflets in the school reception if you would like more information.

SCHOOL DIRECT TEACHER TRAINING- Are you interested in training to become a teacher? Our school is part of a growing number of schools leading the way for more school-led teacher training. We have vacancies now to start training from September 2017 and we would be very interested to hear from you if you are thinking of becoming a teacher, or know someone who is. We're looking for people who have (or will have) a 2:1 degree, have a passion for teaching and want to inspire young people to fulfil their potential. We'd love you to come in and have a chat with us about the exciting teacher training opportunities available. Our recruiters Mrs Aspinwall and Mr Wardle can be contacted by email admin3391@welearn365.com or by telephone 01788 811028 to arrange a date and time. For further information on what becoming a teacher might involve more generally, you can also visit www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching or visit our school website.

DUNCHURCH BAPTIST CHURCH CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR @ Dunchurch Baptist Church, Coventry Road, Dunchurch, CV22 6RF on Saturday 19th November 2016, 10am-4pm. Entry is £1 for adults (under 16s free). There will be craft stalls, silent auction, mini workshops, craft demonstrations, light refreshments and lunches, and a cake stall. For further information contact Fleur Wayman on 07828 054170 or email fleur.wayman@gmail.com

DUNCHURCH BAPTIST CHURCH – MESSY CHRISTMAS EVENT Come and enjoy a Messy Christmas event for all the family at Dunchurch Baptist Church, Coventry Road, Dunchurch on Saturday 3rd December from 10.30am – 12.30pm. Crafts, family games, a short song/story time in the church and lunch - all for £1 per person! Places are limited and need to be booked by contacting messychurch@dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk

DUNCHURCH VILLAGE QUIZ – Saturday 19th November arrive for 7pm for a prompt start at 7.30pm. There will be a licensed bar and prizes. Teams of 4-6, £20 per team. Please contact Helen on 01788 810212 or email helenhackley@gmail.com or download the form from dunchurchevents.org

FAMILY LEARNING IN WARWICKSHIRE Adult and Community Learning Service. Family Learning can support families in raising children's attainment and increase parents' engagement in the community. Long term benefits include positive effects in behavior and attitudes to learning across the whole family. A range of courses are being offered. Some courses are intended for adults only, whilst others are for parents and children to work together. Examples of courses include: Helping your child with maths or English, Family maths or English, Helping your child with phonics, Storysacks, Love food, save money- healthy eating. Workshops are also provided to engage families in working together. Workshops cover a variety of areas including: sharing stories, literacy, maths, phonics, healthy eating and art activities. If you would like further information please contact Jan Lennon: 01926 736390 or visit the following websites janlennon@warwickshire.gov.uk or www.warwickshire.gov.uk or www.facebook.com/warksacl.

LEAMINGTON HASTINGS BOWLS CLUB Children are invited to come and try indoor bowls at Leamington Hastings Parish Hall on Wednesdays from 7pm and finish at around 8.30pm. If you have any questions, please call 01788 336913 or 07535278470 or just turn up on Wednesday at 7pm.

HOPE 4 CHARITY FUNDRAISER – Sunday 20th November Join Fine & Country on Regent Street (Rugby) where the office will be open on Sunday for the Christmas Light Switch on. Amelia Ray, one of our Year 4 pupils, will be helping to run a stall to serve a host of goodies and prizes with all proceeds going to the Fine & Country Foundation on behalf of Hope 4; Rugby's local homeless charity. Come along and see how just a small contribution can help combat homelessness. Amelia has come up with ideas as to how they can raise money; there will be lots of prizes, sweets, cakes, tea and coffee etc. on offer- we hope to see you there!

RHYTHMIC MOVE-IT - a dance-based movement to music class for well-being are pleased to announce an alternative evening slot at Dunchurch WI Hall, Southam Road. Sundays 10.30-11.30 am, and Thursdays 7-8pm £3 only, just turn up! The class isn't just about physical fitness. You will feel the rhythm of the music though your soul. You will feel invigorated and lose yourself and your inhibitions, because I am confident you will feel safe to let yourself go through the music, like many of our attendees are already doing. Looking forward to having you dance away with us! All adults, including teenagers, welcome! For info, Rhythmic Move-it is on FB or email: Yvonne_lovell@hotmail.com. Mobile 07437 638536.

LOST PROPERTY Harry Riddell has lost his named black coat. Would parents please check their child's belongings and ensure that they have the correct items

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS go to Lauren Daly, Lily Wooldridge, William Gower, Jessie Holdsworth, Alice Perraut, Luke Fleet, Annabel Fallon and Ethan White.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Wardle
Head Teacher

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LIVING IN A SEPARATED FAMILY WORKSHOP

I give permission for my child in class..... to attend the Living in a Separated Family workshops.

Signed..... Print Name..... Dated.....

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CHRISTMAS DINNER - Thursday, 15th December 2016

My child.....in class.....would like to make the following arrangements for their Christmas dinner.

My child would like the Turkey dinner I have: * paid on ParentPay/ enclosed £2.35 cheque/cash

My child would like the vegetarian option I have: * paid on ParentPay/ enclosed £2.35 cheque/cash

My child will be bringing sandwiches

Signed..... Parent / carer Date.....

***Please delete as appropriate**