

DBJS Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Events for week commencing Monday, 15th January 2018:

Day		Time	Event
Monday 15th January	Lunch time	12.30	Recorder Club
	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3KB- Swimming (£3.83 per week)
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Mad Science Fit 2 Dance Kidz Maths Club (children in Mrs Tildesley's and Mrs Gooch's Maths groups)
Tuesday 16th January	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3J- Swimming (£3.83 per week)
	After School	3:30-4:30pm	Orchestra Chess Club Racquets Club Rock Solid Club Maths Club (children in Mrs Tildesley's and Mrs Gooch's Maths groups) PTA Meeting in 5HC Classroom
Wednesday 17th January	Lunch time	12:30pm	Choir
	After School	3.30-4.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 3 and 4)
		3.30-4.30pm	Cookery Club
		3:30-5pm	Film Club
	4.30-5.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 5 and 6)	
Thursday 18th January	Lunch time	12.30pm	Brass Band
	Lunch time	12:30pm	Cru Club (3KB)
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	CCFC Football Club Play on Theatre Imagineering Club
Friday 19th January	Morning	8.55am	Celebration Assembly
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Spanish Club Cheerleading Club

Welcome back to school after the Christmas holidays. The children have already made a fantastic start to the Spring term and we have enjoyed hearing all about what they got up to in the break!

STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who have achieved their 'Star of the Week' awards: Lottie Lumbis, Luke Cannell, Lacey-May Taylor, Jesse Dobbins, Oscar Riddell, Dominic Tothill, Ava Farren, Edward Bicknell and Nina Was.

GOOD LUCK

We wish Evie and Poppy Goodwin all the very best in Rugby Theatre's pantomime, Robin Hood, which they will be appearing in from tonight! Good luck Evie and Poppy!

HELLO FROM MR DEWES



Welcome back to you all after the Christmas holiday, I hope you and your families enjoyed the break. The term started for staff last Friday with a Professional Development Day where there was training on safeguarding, medical conditions and the curriculum. On that day and over the last week, I have been enjoying getting to know staff and the school. To help me get a better understanding of the school I would like to spend some time talking to parents. To this end, myself and Mrs. Madia will be holding an informal meeting for parents and carers on Monday 29th January from 7-8PM. Parents whose children went to Dunchurch Infant School may have attended Parent Forum meetings where we have discussed a specific issue. This will be similar, but owing to me being new to the school, I would like to give parents the opportunity to bring up any issues which they think are important.

For those parents who do not know me from my time at Leamington Hastings or Dunchurch Infants, I have been a teacher for fifteen years in Warwickshire and London. Since 2012 I have been the Headteacher at Dunchurch Infants and before that I was the deputy head at Cawston Grange. Since Dunchurch Infants became a National Support School in 2015 I have also worked as a National Leader of Education which means I spend a small amount of my time supporting other schools. In 2016 I became the Executive Head of Leamington Hastings. Working across all three schools will hopefully make it easier for children to have a smooth transition between them. I look forward to meeting you in the near future.

HELLO FROM MRS MADIA



It is wonderful to be given the opportunity to become part of the Dunchurch Boughton C of E Junior School Community. My name is Mrs. Kate Madia and I have been appointed as Interim Head of School. I am currently a Local Leader of Education and Headteacher at Our Lady's Princethorpe; previous to this I worked as a senior leader and consultant across a number of Coventry schools. I will be based at Dunchurch on a Tuesday and Wednesday.

It has been a real privilege getting to know your children this week; they have made me feel so welcome, and I look forward to getting to know you too. Please do come and see me for a chat if you have any concerns.

ASSEMBLIES

ASSEMBLY THEME

This week the children have met Mr Dewes and Mrs Madia in assembly. They have been thinking about setting themselves New Year resolutions and how they can achieve them. We shared the story of Zog the dragon, who despite many setbacks, didn't give up on his goal. The children also liked the motto from Zog... "Now that you've been shown, you can practice on your own...". Wednesday's assembly focused on Epiphany. Next week children will continue to think about goals and aspirations, as well as behaviour.

SCHOOL EVENTS

MENU CHANGE- THURSDAY 18th JANUARY 2018

Please note that for next Thursday only, (Thursday 18th January), there will be a change to the dinner choices on that day. Red choice will be a hot dog and green choice will be cheese and tomato pizza, both options served with potato wedges and baked beans or fresh salad. Pudding will be an American style pancake with fruit topping or ice cream.

WOODWIND/STRING TASTER SESSIONS

We are holding taster sessions for Flute, Clarinet, Violin, Cello and Viola lessons in January for children who wish to learn a new instrument. They will receive four taster sessions and if they are interested in taking up the instrument

after this, they will be able to start lessons in February. The fee from February will be £27 and £54 for the Summer term. If your child is interested, please complete the form below and return to school as soon as possible.

OTHER MESSAGES

A reminder that children may come in to school each morning from 8.40am. Parents are responsible for any children that are on the school grounds before this time, and not at Woosh club. Thank you.

PARENTPAY
SWIMMING LESSONS

The cost of swimming for the children in Year 3 is £3.83 weekly or £22.98 for the first half of this Spring term. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

DINNER MONEY

The cost of school dinners for this half term is £72 or £12 weekly or £2.40 daily. Would parents please note that school meals should always be paid for in advance. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

CASTLETON RESIDENTIAL VISIT

The next instalment of £35 for children who are participating in the Castleton residential visit is due today, Friday 12th January. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS
MAD SCIENCE

As you are aware, the Mad Science instructor did not arrive in school on Monday as expected. We have been informed that this was due to their car breaking down. There will be an additional session on Monday 26th February to make up for the missed session.

LOST PROPERTY

James Whitmore has lost his Newcastle football scarf. Would parents please check their child’s belongings and ensure that they have the correct items.

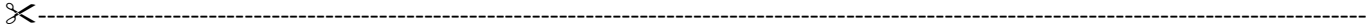
COMMUNITY EVENTS

PRINCETHORPE COLLEGE YEAR 5 CHORAL FUN DAY

Princethorpe College are holding their annual Year 5 Choral Fun Day on Saturday 27th January from 9am-4.30pm; a day of free musical activities, singing tuition and team-building skills ending with a gala performance. For more information please contact Helen Morgan on 01926 634262 or email helenmorgan@princethorpe.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs D Read
Deputy Head



WOODWIND/STRING TASTER SESSIONS- January 2018

My child..... in class..... would like to have a taster session for the following instrument (please tick)

Flute

Clarinet

Violin

Cello

Viola

Signed..... Parent/carers Date.....