

DBJS Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Events for week commencing Monday, 12th February 2018:

Day		Time	Event
Monday 12th February	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)
	Evening	6.30pm	York Residential Information Evening (School hall)
Tuesday 13th February	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)
Wednesday 14th February	Morning	11am-3pm	Year 4 visit to Northlands (<u>packed lunch required</u>)
	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
	Evening	4.30-5.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 5 and 6)
Evening	6pm	5M Space Camp (kit list/medical form given out earlier this week)	
Thursday 15th February	Lunch time	12.30pm	Brass Band
	Lunch time	12:30pm	Cru Club (3J)
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	CCFC Football Club Play on Theatre Imagineering Club
	Evening	6pm	5H Space Camp (kit list/medical form given out earlier this week)
Friday 16th February	Morning	8.55am	Celebration Assembly
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Spanish Club Dodgeball Club Cheerleading Club

STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who have achieved their 'Star of the Week' awards: Ella Horton, Sophie Bull, Alice Perraut, Emilee Parker, Lexie Thomlinson, Billy Turner and Milly Ogburn-Storey.

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to Harry Jacklin for captaining his U9 Leicester City academy team to winning the Plate Trophy at the Premier league national Futsal championships at the weekend. Fantastic achievement across the two days for the whole team and an experience they'll never forget. Well done Harry!

Well done also to the two teams from Dunchurch Junior School who took part in the Hotshots Basketball inter-schools tournament last weekend. They played superbly, with one team winning first place and the other team coming fourth in the competition! Well done to all of the players! A special mention from Andy Cox, the coach, goes to Philip in year 5 who played exceptionally well.

MESSAGE FROM MR DEWES

As promised last week, here is a summary of views from the recent Parents' Forum. Space doesn't permit for more than a small selection of what was discussed, but here are some key points:

Residential were appreciated, especially the way they gradually build up the amount of time the children spend away from home year on year. Space Camp was popular too. All of these events will be continuing; plans are underway for later in the year.

Parents requested more chances for children to learn outdoors and this is something which we will look into. Updating the IT equipment was also a priority for parents and this will be considered as we set the budget for the new financial year.

There was quite a lot of feedback about Woosh. It was good that people felt positive about some of the changes that have been made in the recent past, but there were further things to look at too.

As is usually the case with views of parents, the subject of homework elicited mixed opinions.

Many thanks to those who could attend and to those who have taken the time to offer their views since then.

MRS READ

Mrs Read left yesterday to start her maternity leave. We wish her all the very best for her new arrival!

ASSEMBLIES

This week the children have been thinking about staying safe. On Tuesday this week, the children learnt about Safer Internet Day in an assembly led by Mrs McMahon and on Thursday, Mrs Keffler led an assembly and spoke to the children about famous female scientists and engineers as part of International day of women and girls in Science. In assemblies next week, the children will be learning about Shrove Tuesday and Lent.

SCHOOL EVENTS

SIGN 2 SING / CAKE SALE – Wednesday 7th February 2018

A huge thank you to all the children for their super singing and signing on Wednesday! They were joined by the Infant School and had a great time performing. Thank you to the parents for providing cakes for our cake sale. In total we raised £204.22!! Thank you all very much for your kind donations.

NEW STRING AND WOODWIND PUPILS

Those children who signed up to learn a new instrument after their taster sessions have already started their lessons. Miss Fairbrother has set up payment facilities on ParentPay. Please make payment as soon as possible. Thank you.

YORK RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION EVENING – Monday 12th February 2018

Parents of children in Year 4 who are taking part in the forthcoming residential visit to York are invited to an information meeting on Monday, 12th February at 6.30pm in the school hall. As well as receiving more information

about the visit parents will also have the opportunity to raise any queries or concerns they may have. The meeting is not expected to last more than one hour and children may also attend if you wish.

WALES RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION EVENING – Monday 19th March 2018

Parents of children in Year 5 who are taking part in the forthcoming residential visit to Wales are invited to an information meeting on Monday, 19th March at 7pm in the school hall. As well as receiving more information about the visit parents will also have the opportunity to raise any queries or concerns they may have. The meeting is not expected to last more than one hour and children may also attend if you wish.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2018

Launching on Thursday 1st March 2018, school will be holding a number of events to raise the profile of reading and encourage children to develop a love of books. On Thursday 1st March 2018 we will be having a whole school dress up day, where your child can come dressed as their favourite book character. Take a look at <http://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up/> for some inspiration. During this week, Mrs Gooch and some of the year 6 reading discussion groups will be hosting a special reading assembly and we will also be launching our reading challenge - more details to follow closer to the time.

PARENTPAY

YORK RESIDENTIAL VISIT

The next instalment of £15 for children who are participating in the York residential visit is due on Monday, 12th February. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

WALES RESIDENTIAL VISIT

The next instalment of £20 for children who are participating in the Wales residential visit is due on Friday, 16th February. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

MAD SCIENCE CLUB

The current block of Mad Science club finishes on 26th February. They are hoping to run their 'Secret Agent Lab' course, based around Forensic Science, on Mondays after school, starting 5th March. Please give your completed registration form with cheque or cash to the school office by Wednesday 14th February. Spare copies of the letter are available in the office if you would like a copy.

OTHER MESSAGES

MENU CHANGE

Please note that next Tuesday (13th February), red choice will be chicken in a wrap instead of the mild and creamy chicken curry. Green and brown choice will be the same as normal (farmhouse omelette/jacket potato).

INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS – GIVING NOTICE TO STOP

If your child does not wish to continue with their music lessons in the Summer term (after the Easter holidays), please note that the deadline for giving notice is the morning of Friday 18th February 2018. This is because we are required to give notice to Warwickshire Music of any reduction in hours by this date.

LOST PROPERTY

Edward Gray has lost his black pumps and his white trainers, both of which are named and Isla Turner has lost her black and pink glasses. Would parents please check their child's belongings and ensure that they have the correct items.

FREE ONLINE GUIDES TO HELP PARENTS FEEL MORE CONFIDENT

Warwickshire County Council has purchased three nationally acclaimed online Guides (courses) - designed to help parents feel more confident. Every single parent, grandparent, or carer living in Warwickshire can now access these Guides FREE OF CHARGE. The Guides have been designed by NHS experts and are part of the evidence-based 'Solihull Approach' programme, which supports mums, dads and carers to develop positive and responsive relationships with their infants, children, and young people. In turn, this helps to strengthen emotional resilience and wellbeing, so infants and children are able to bounce back from life's various challenges.

For more information, please visit: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/parentguide>

COMMUNITY EVENTS

MESSY CHURCH AT DUNCHURCH BAPTIST CHURCH

Date: Saturday 10th February from 10.30am-12.30pm at Dunchurch Baptist Church, Coventry Road (CV22 6RF). There will be crafts, lunch and celebration for all the family. The cost is £1 per person, payable on the day. Spaces are limited so please book asap at messychurch@dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk .

WASPS NETBALL PRIMARY HALF TERM CAMP

This half term, Wasps Netball is running one of only two primary netball camps in the region at Rugby School (Collingwood Centre, Barby Road) on Tuesday 20th and/or Wednesday 21st February with the Wasps U17 coach Charlotte Roye. They are welcoming years 3 and 4 in the morning (9.30am-12pm) and years 5 and 6 in the afternoon (12.30-3pm). The cost is £25 per day or £40 for the two days. For more information/to book a place, please visit <https://www.uplaysports.co.uk/wasps-netball-camps/> .

FEBRUARY HALF TERM ACTIVITIES WITH THE PONIES AT CIRCLES NETWORK CHARITY

Circles Network charity in Cawston are running some February half term activities who welcome children who require a little additional support, and can also provide 1-2-1 support through additional cost. Fun activities include Monday- Ash End Farm, Tuesday- New beginnings day, Wednesday- Communication and Body Language Day, Thursday- Warm up day, Friday- Horse care day. The cost is £30 for a full day (10am-4pm) or £15 for half a day (11am-1pm or 2pm-4pm). Please bring your own lunch unless otherwise stated.

Also if you would like to volunteer at Circles Network charity in Cawston, support is always needed with tidying up the fairy garden, transforming a shed into a meeting area, cooking for Saturday club, maintenance and other jobs. To book any activities please call 01788 816671 and ask for Diane / Rhianne. There are some leaflets in the school reception if you would like more information.

DUNCHURCH FESTIVAL GROUP

...presents 'The Big Quiz' at Dunchurch Village Hall on Friday 9th March at 7pm, for a 7.30pm start. There will be a licensed bar and prizes. The entry fee is £20 per team (up to 6 people). Please contact Helen on 01788 810212 for more details or download an application form from www.dunchurchevents.org .

FUNDRAISING FASHION SHOW AND SHOPPING EVENT

There will be a fundraising fashion show and shopping event with all of your favourite brands at up to 75% off on Thursday 22nd March 2018 from 7pm, at Rugby Methodist Church Centre (Russelsheim Way, Rugby, CV22 7TB). Tickets are £5 in advance (from Extra Mile or RMCC) or £6 on the night. For more information, please visit charityfashionshows.co.uk

ST PETER'S AND ST EDMUND'S CHURCHES

...Invite you to their Easter Activity Morning on Saturday 31st March from 10am until 12pm. This is an activity event for children with their families or carers at St Peter's Church, DUnchurch. There will be Easter garden decorating, an Easter egg hunt, activities and light refreshments. The cost is £2 per child. Booking is essential and places are limited. Please book at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-peters-and-st-edmunds-easter-activity-morning-tickets-42941909407> with names and ages of children and any dietary requirements.

Yours sincerely,

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