

# DBJS Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Events for week commencing Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018:

Day		Time	Event
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Morning	9.15-12.30pm	<b>Year 4 visit to Leamington Gurdwara</b>
	Lunch time	12.30pm	Recorder Club
		1pm	1 <sup>st</sup> round World Cup matches – group 1
	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3KB- Swimming (£3.83 per week)
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Fit 2 Dance Kidz Gardening Club
		3.30-5pm	Year 5 and 6 Girls Football Year 6 Boys Football
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Lunch time	1pm	1 <sup>st</sup> round World Cup matches – group 2
	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3J- Swimming (£3.83 per week)
	After School	<b>3.30-4.30pm</b>	<b>PTA Meeting in 5H classroom</b>
		3:30-4:30pm	Orchestra Chess Club Rock Solid Club Netball Club (Year 4, 5 and 6)
		3.30-5pm	Year 3 Boys Football
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Lunch time	12:30pm	Choir rehearsal
	After School	<b>3.30-4.15pm</b>	Hotshots Basketball (Year 3 and 4)
		3.30-4.30pm	Cookery Club
		3:30-5pm	Film Club Year 3 and 4 Girls Football Year 4 and 5 Boys Football
		4.30-5.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 5 and 6)
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>			<b><i>Deadline for returning photograph orders</i></b>
	<b>Morning</b>	<b>8.55am</b>	<b>Celebration Assembly – Leamington Festival Choir performing – parents welcome.</b>
	Lunch time	12:30pm	Brass Band
		1pm	1 <sup>st</sup> round World Cup matches – group 3
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	CCFC Football Club Play on Theatre Imagineering Club
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>TEACHER</b>	<b>TRAINING</b>	<b>DAY</b>

#### STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who have achieved their 'Star of the Week' awards: Ben A, Jo-Jo, Christopher, Jiwon, Jacob M, Oscar C, Donnie, Lily W and Sangwon.

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Holly and Jennifer who have just passed their Grade 4 in Artistic Roller Skating and have now moved up to do Grade 5 training. Well done Holly and Jennifer!

## **MESSAGE FROM MR DEWES.**

Over the last few months my colleagues and the school's governors have been looking at ways of improving the school's facilities. Our aim is to direct more money into the learning environment making sure that the children have the equipment they need to learn and enjoy school as much as possible. Our first priority is to replace our computer room. The current facilities are not fit for purpose, with some of the equipment older than many of our children. I have been talking to suppliers over the last four weeks and this week contracts were awarded to two companies, one to supply the hardware (35 desktop computers and a server) and another contract for the complete refurbishment of the room, including new electrics, network cabling, furniture and flooring. The work will take place over the Summer holidays, with over £40,000 invested in the project, meaning that our children will have the latest equipment.

A reminder that the consultation on Dunchurch Infants and Juniors governing bodies federating continues. You can access more information by visiting the following link

<http://www.dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk/home/proposed-federation-consultation> Some parents have asked questions, these are very much welcome, but please remember to also register your opinion by the 2nd July, through the consultation response form available on the school's website.

## **ASSEMBLIES**

This week the children have been learning about Climate Change and have discussed how and why the world is changing. They discussed that some people believe that God created the world and it should be taken care of. Next week, the children will be learning about Eid-al-Fitr and Individual Liberty.

## **STAR OF THE WEEK ASSEMBLY – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2018**

Please note that the celebration assembly next week will be on Thursday (21<sup>st</sup> June) as Friday is a Teacher Training Day.

The choir, who won Leamington Festival, would like to perform in the celebration assembly on Thursday. Parents of children in the choir are invited to watch the performance. The assembly begins at 8.55am.

## **LETTERS GIVEN OUT THIS WEEK**

All children who are currently learning an instrument in school through Warwickshire Music have been given a letter with details of the new arrangements for instrumental tuition and payment. Please read the letters carefully. You will need to complete a form to hand in to school in order for your child to continue with lessons. Children who wish to begin learning an instrument will be given a letter next week.

## **SCHOOL EVENTS**

### **FORENSIC SCIENCE MORNING AT RUGBY HIGH SCHOOL – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

On Monday morning, a group of randomly selected girls from year 5 went to Rugby High School to take part in a Forensic Science morning. A huge thank you to Mrs Goodwin who organised and led this exciting event for the children to take part in; it was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The girls were a credit to DBJS - they were all engaged and enthusiastic throughout and made some super contributions to the discussions. And they successfully identified the culprit. Poppy wrote a fantastic review following the visit:

*On the morning of 11<sup>th</sup> June, 19 year five girls and I went on a trip to Rugby High School for a forensic science morning. When we arrived we were surprised to see police tape on the science lab door, saying 'do not enter - crime scene'. As we walked into the lab, we met Mrs Goodwin, our teacher for the morning, and Steve, the technician. The story was that someone had broken into a cupboard and stolen trophies, laptops and ipads. There were four suspects, and we were given evidence from the crime scene, and samples from the suspects' houses. We did ink tests, examining finger prints, and many more exciting science activities until we had cracked the case. We were kindly provided with delicious home-made cookies and squash for breacktime outside. The staff running the morning were extremely kind and helpful and they explained the instructions brilliantly. We were proud that we all solved the crime by choosing the right suspect.*

### **LEAMINGTON FESTIVAL – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

Congratulations to all the children who competed in Leamington Festival. You were all amazing! Special congratulations to the Brass Band who placed third in the instrumental group category and a fantastic well done to the school choir who came in first and won a cup! Mrs Blezard is very proud of all of you and you all did our school proud. Many thanks to the parents who came along to help. It is lovely to have such wonderful support.

### **DUNCHURCH FETE – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

All families are invited to the annual Dunchurch Fete at the Village Hall field on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June. Children who wish to walk in the procession should meet Mrs Hayward and Mrs Miller at the large green on Rugby Road, opposite Cawston Lane, at 12 o'clock. The theme is 'All Creatures Great and Small' so your child may dress up in a costume to reflect this theme if they wish. **Children must be accompanied by an adult.**

If your child is singing in the choir, please meet Mrs Blezard on arrival on the field. We look forward to seeing you all there!

### **MINI FOOTBALL WORLD CUP**

Mrs Clusker is organising a mini football World Cup at lunch times. Children have had the opportunity to sign up if they want to take part. If any child wants to take part who hasn't yet signed up, please ask your child to speak to Mrs Clusker.

### **SECOND HAND BOOK SALE – every lunch time next week**

The Year 6 librarians and Year 4 will be holding a second-hand book sale running every lunch time next week whereby old books from the library will be being sold to make way for our new books that have been purchased from recent events. These books are still in a good condition and could be useful as a homework aid for Year 5/6 projects next year. All proceeds raised will be donated to charity, split between Christian Aid and Khalsa Aid in support of Year 4's R.E unit on taking care of others. All books are 20p each, so hurry before they are all gone!

### **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**

Thank you very much to everyone who came to the book fair, we will be choosing some new books to add to our school library with the commission raised. The winners of the book review competition were Martyna (6M), Isla (5M), Will B (4G) and Hettie (4S). The winning entries along with some other entries will hopefully be going on display in the library shortly.

### **GARDENING CLUB**

Gardening club would like to request parent/grandparent help with our compost heaps either during the club on Mondays after school or at another arranged time after or during school. Please see Mrs Broderick if you can help.

### **YEAR 3 MUSIC FOLDERS**

Over the next few weeks the children in year 3 will be sorting out their music folder ready for September. The children cover their folders in wrapping paper. The folder will be provided by school but the children will need to bring their own wrapping paper to school with them (by the end of June if possible). The wrapping paper will need to be 50cmx70cm (if from a roll of paper) or a pre-cut piece, available from supermarkets. The wrapping paper can be any pattern/colour. Thank you very much.

### **SPORTS EVENTS**

It has been a very busy week with lots of sport events taking place! On Tuesday, a mixed squad of 10 children from each year group went to Leam Valley Golf Club for the L2 School Games Tri Golf competition. The club very kindly hosted the competition, donating the use of their grounds and they organised the competition. The children all had an enjoyable morning and all played extremely well. Congratulations to the year 4 children who won their year group competition and have been invited to the next round. We are awaiting details of the final.

Also on Tuesday, a team of girls went to Leamington for the Kwik Cricket competition. Congratulations to all that took part; they were the overall winners!

On Wednesday, a team of boys went to Leamington for the Kwik Cricket competition. They played brilliantly and came first out of the Rugby schools and finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall. Well done to all.

On Thursday after school, a mixed team of year 5 and 6 children went to Rugby Town for the Future Pro's schools tournament. They played really well and got through to the semi-finals, when they were defeated by the eventual winners of the competition.

## **SAFEGUARDING**

Live streaming is a popular feature of lots apps and platforms. By understanding the risks of live streaming, we can help children stay safe when they are online. ThinkUKnow has produced a guide to help parents understand why live-streaming is so popular, and how to keep children safe. You can find the article here:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/live-streaming-responding-to-the-risks/>

## **OTHER MESSAGES**

### **BRAISWICK PHOTOGRAPHS**

This week we received the photograph proofs from Braiswick. Please note that the deadline for returning orders is Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2018.

### **VEHICLE SECURITY**

We have been notified by WES Safety and Premises of an incident that occurred at a school in the south of the County. The following advice has been passed on regarding vehicle security: never leave anything on view, take audio and sat nav equipment with you, never leave the car with the engine running, fit self-locking screws to prevent number plates being stolen, always lock cars, fit anti-theft devices to steering wheels, fuel caps and wheels, park in a safe place and check your door handles to make sure it's locked.

### **LOST PROPERTY**

Salesia has lost her P.E. kit and trainers. Would parents please check their child's belongings and ensure that they have the correct items.

### **FOUND PROPERTY**

A black 'Monster' scooter with green handle bars was found on the playground. Please see the office if this belongs to you.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- Teacher Training Day – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018.
- County Transfer Day - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018.
- Sports Day is 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018 (morning).
- Open Evening – 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018, 6-7pm.

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

### **WILD FEST @ NELSON'S WHARF – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

Wild Fest' is being held at Nelson's Wharf (CV47 8AA) tomorrow from 10am-4pm. There are plenty of activities including: free canal boat rides, guided walks, family yoga, crafts and games, face painting, pebble painting, hot food and an annual raffle drawn on the day. The cost for adults is £2.50, £1 for children (under 4's free), £1.50 concessions, £6 family ticket and members free.

### **ST PETER'S CHURCH 'CHERISH YOUR CHURCHYARD'**

Drop in to St. Peter's churchyard on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2018 from 11am-3pm to take part in some free, family activities, such as blindfold trust trail, build a shelter for your cuddly toy, nature art, investigate leaf shapes, scavenger hunt, mindfulness in nature and help to build a bug hotel. Refreshments are available. Don't forget to bring your cuddly toy! [www.stpeters-dunchurch.org](http://www.stpeters-dunchurch.org).

### **RSPCA YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER AWARDS**

The RSPCA Young Photographer Award is an annual animal photography competition for anyone ages 18 years or younger and it's free to enter. This year's competition opened on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and closes on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018, so it's a great project for the summer. With seven categories to choose from there really is something for everyone. In addition, an overall winner will be chosen and there's an online public vote in March 2019 for the People's Choice Award. Categories are as follows: under 12 years, 12-15 years, 16-18 years, portfolio, mobile phone, picture perfect pets and the human impact on animals. The competition's aim is to encourage young people's interest in animals and develop their photography skills. Great prizes to be won such as camera vouchers and UK photography break. Find out more and enter at [rspca.org.uk/ypa/schools](http://rspca.org.uk/ypa/schools).

Yours sincerely,

**Mrs T Miller**

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