

DBJS Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Events for week commencing Monday, 10th September 2018:

		Time	Event
Monday 10th September	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3K Swimming (£4.23 per week)
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Chess club Gardening Club Fit2Dance Year 5 and 6 Girls Football Year 6 Boys Football
Tuesday 11th September	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3J- Swimming (£4.23 per week)
	After School	3:30-4:30pm	Orchestra (children who have been asked to play in Orchestra have been given a letter to bring home.) Dodgeball Mad Science Year 3 and 4 Boys Football Year 4 Girls Football Rock Solid Club (starting 18th September)
		3.30-4.30pm	PTA Meeting (in 5HB classroom)
Wednesday 12th September	Lunch time	12.30pm	Choir rehearsal for Education Sunday (Year 4, 5 and 6)
	After School	3.30-4.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 3/4)
		3:30-5pm	Film Club
		4.30-5.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 5/6)
Evening	Between 5-6.15pm	New to Year Group Meetings	
Thursday 13th September	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Play on Theatre Club French Club Construction Club CCFC Football Club (starting 20th September)
Friday 14th September	Morning	8.55am	Celebration Assembly
	After School	3.30-4.15pm	Cheerleading Club
		3.30-4.30pm	Spanish Club Tag Rugby Club

STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who have achieved their 'Star of the Week' awards: Charlotte, Harry F, Matilda, Miles and Leelan.

MESSAGE FROM MR DEWES

I hope you enjoyed the Summer. It's been great to have the school full of children again, welcome to all of our new pupils. Lots of staff have been busy over the Summer preparing for the new school year. Our biggest change has been to the computer room which has been re-floored, redecorated and rewired. Thirty-six computers have been installed, along with a new server and a large screen.



The 16th of September is Education Sunday at St. Peter's Church. All are welcome to attend. Some children from the choir are singing, but we also need some children to read prayers and other jobs. If your child is coming, please let myself or the office know and then we can ask the children if they would like to do a job. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

ASSEMBLIES

This week the children have been thinking about 'New Beginnings'. They met the new school teddy. Rev Pat visited on Thursday morning and we have also been thinking about our school value, kindness.

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance award goes to 3K!

Class	Attendance AM	Attendance PM
3J	99.2%	100%
3K	100%	100%
4B	97.9%	97.9%
4C	98.3%	99.2%
5D	97.7%	99.2%
5HB	96.2%	97.0%
6R	97.0%	99.2%
6T	97.8%	97.1%

SCHOOL EVENTS

PTA MEETING – Tuesday 11th September 2018

The first PTA meeting of the year will be on **Tuesday 11th September from 3:30pm**, and will last no longer than one hour. All parents/carers are welcome to attend and help plan the next events. Pupils and younger siblings can come with you too; just sign in at reception after pick up time.

NEW TO YEAR GROUP MEETINGS

We will be holding 'New to Year Group' meetings next Wednesday (12th September). This will be an opportunity for you to find out more about what your child will be learning this term and an informal opportunity to meet your child's new teacher. If you are unable to make this date, notes will be sent home following your child's meeting. We plan to repeat these talks, so that you can choose which session you would like to attend. The sessions will run from: **5.00pm-5.25pm, 5.25pm-5.50pm and 5.50pm-6.15pm.**

Year 3 – being held in 3K classroom

Year 4 – being held in 4C classroom

Year 5 – being held in 5HB classroom

Year 6 – being held in 6T classroom

Please sign in at reception on your arrival. We look forward to seeing you there.

WARWICKSHIRE MUSIC INSTRUMENT LESSONS

All instrument lessons begin next week (week beginning 10th September). If your child has an instrument, please ensure they are brought to school on the day of their lesson. If your child does not have their own instrument, this should have been ordered through Warwickshire Music. If you have not ordered an instrument, please have your child discuss this with their teacher.

Monday –Guitar

Tuesday – Keyboard and Recorder

Wednesday – Strings (violin/viola/cello).

Thursday – Brass and Drums

Friday - Woodwind (Flute/clarinet) and Guitar

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 6 will be visiting Blists Hill on Thursday 20th September. The letter with details and a permission slip was given to the children to bring home on Thursday.

Open Evening/Mornings – We are holding open sessions for prospective Year 3 children and their parents as follows: Open Evening is Wednesday 3rd October from 6-7pm and the open mornings are Tuesday 2nd and Thursday 4th October 9.15am-12 noon. We look forward to seeing you there.

Saturday 8th December 2018 - Manchester Carols – choir children in years 4, 5 and 6. Information to follow. Please put the date in your diary.

PARENTPAY

DINNER MONEY

The cost of school dinners for the first half of the Autumn term is £95.55 or £12.25 weekly or £2.45 daily. Would parents please note that school meals should always be paid for in advance. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

SWIMMING FEES

The cost of swimming for the children in year 3 is £4.23 weekly or £29.61 for the first half of the Autumn term. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Could you help your school claim all the money it's entitled to? Many schools across Warwickshire are missing out on a sum of money (known as pupil premium) that schools get for any pupil in receipt of free school meals and in turn pupils will miss out, on extra equipment and resources, school trips and visits, and extra learning and development support. In order for schools to access the money available to them, families must firstly apply for free school meals. If you are on benefits such as JSA, ESA, the guarantee element of state pension credit, Universal Credit or Child Tax Credit, and have an annual income not in excess of £16,190, you may be entitled to free school meals. Please see the Warwickshire County Council website for further information:

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals or email freemeals@warwickshire.gov.uk or telephone 01926 359189.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

ROCK SOLID CLUB

Unfortunately due to staff illness at Rugby Youth for Christ, the start date for Rock Solid club is now Tuesday 18th September, not next Tuesday (11th September) as originally planned. We have also been informed that there is a sub increase from 50p to £1. The staff at Rugby Youth for Christ apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

LETTERS GIVEN OUT

We have now received and given out all after school club letters. If your child would be interested in starting a club and has not brought a letter home, please see the office.

OTHER MESSAGES

HANDING IN ENVELOPES

Please note that all correspondence for school i.e. money/slips/letters etc. should be given to your child to hand into to their class teacher during morning registration.

SERVICE CHILDREN

In order for us to keep our records up-to-date would any parents who are members of the British Armed Services please inform the school office. All information of this nature is kept confidential.

ALLERGIES

If your child has any allergies that we should be aware of please let the school office know. In school we use hypoallergenic plasters and sterile disposable saline wipes for cleansing wounds. If your child is allergic to any of these items please inform the school office.

NOT ATTENDING CLUBS

If your child is not going to be attending their after school club or Woosh would parents please let the school office know. This is so we can account for any children that are missing.

HOME TIME PICK UP

In the event of a child's parent not being at their normal meeting place at 3.30pm (or 4.30pm following an after school club) children should come to reception and wait for you there.

SCHOOL BUS/ AFTER SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS

As we have a bus register in school, could parents please phone school if there are any changes with your child's after school arrangement, so that we can ensure our register is correct.

HEALTHY EATING

In line with our healthy eating policy we make fruit available to eat at break times. If your child would rather bring their own break time snack to school please make sure it is either a piece of fruit or a vegetable. Crisps, cakes or biscuits are not a suitable snack.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

As you can imagine with so many children in school sometimes uniform can get lost or misplaced. It would help us greatly if all uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name. We have a stock of label supplier order forms in the school office if you need one. If you prefer to write your child's name on their uniform we would be grateful if you check it regularly. Often when trying to reunite clothes with children hand written labels fade over time and numerous washes. It is therefore advisable to go over the name periodically.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

WASPS BACK TO SCHOOL OFFER – 20% off tickets

To kick-off the start of the school year, Wasps are offering 20% off tickets to their match against Leicester Tigers on **Sunday 16th September (kick off at 3pm)**. Just use the code TIGSU2 when purchasing online (wasps.co.uk/tickets), over the phone or at the ticket office before Friday 14th September to receive your exclusive discount.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs T Miller

Head of School