

DBJS Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Events for week commencing Monday, 1st October 2018:

		Time	Event
Monday 1st October	Lunch time	12.30-1.30pm	Recorder
	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 2nd October	Morning	9.15am-12noon	Open Morning
		11.30am-12.30pm	Year 4 walk to Dunchurch village
	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3J- Swimming (£4.23 per week)
	After School	3:30-4:30pm	Orchestra Dodgeball Club Mad Science Club Year 3 and 4 Boys Football Club Year 4 Girls Football Club Rock Solid Club
Wednesday 3rd October	All day	9am-3.30pm	Year 5 visit to Stratford
	Lunch time	12.30pm	Choir
	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	6-7pm	Open Evening	
Thursday 4th October	Morning	9.15am-12noon	Open Morning
		11.30am-12.30pm	Year 4 walk to Dunchurch village
	Lunch time	12.30-1.30pm	Brass
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Play on Theatre Club French Club Construction Club CCFC Football Club
Friday 5th October	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: Emma, Lucas, Lexie D-B, Harry J, Arthur, Emily K and Raman.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Holly C and Jennifer M who have both achieved their grade 5 in Artistic Roller Skating. They have worked so hard for it. Well done Holly and Jennifer!

MESSAGE FROM MR DEWES

This week we have held elections for head boy and head girl. Children in year six have had the chance to put themselves forward, before making a speech to persuade others to vote for them. The staff were very impressed with the confident and well-articulated speeches, all of the children did brilliantly. After a vote was held, Anya W and William G were elected, well done to them.

There have been some reports in the media this week about headteachers marching to Downing Street in protest of government funding. While I am not aware of any headteacher from this area attending, there are clearly some strongly held opinions on this topic. Of course I would appreciate more funding, but I do think that schools have actually had their budgets relatively well protected compared to some parts of the public sector; there are much greater challenges for those in further education or social care for instance. While I can see why unions and other groups want to campaign for greater funding - and this school may ultimately benefit from such action - I do worry that the messages aimed at politicians may leave parents fearing that their children's education is suffering. At Dunchurch Boughton Junior School we are lucky to have some additional sources of income, for instance, the Boughton Educational Trust have provided funds for our new computer room. Now, through the federation with the Infant School, we have reduced leadership costs significantly. I hope parents feel reassured that we are still able to offer a high quality education.

ASSEMBLIES

This week the children have been exploring the school value of honesty. Also this week, Mrs Keffler led a Food for Life assembly and spoke to the children about the food celebration event that the whole school are taking part in on Friday 26th October.

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance award goes to 4B!

Class	Attendance AM	Attendance PM
3J	98.8%	99.4%
3K	98.8%	98.8%
4B	99.4%	99.4%
4C	97.4%	98.7%
5D	98.8%	99.4%
5HB	98.8%	99.4%
6R	91.5%	90.9%
6T	97.6%	98.8%

SCHOOL EVENTS

OPEN EVENING/OPEN 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.

CHANGE OF MENU – Thursday 4th October

Please note that on Thursday there will be an 'Italian Pizzeria' lunch menu. Red choice will be pizza with various toppings and green choice will be twisty pasta with tomato sauce, served with potato wedges, fresh salad and sweetcorn, and a gelato ice cream tub for pudding. Brown choice will be a jacket potato, as normal.

BRAISWICK SCHOOL PHOTOS

The children were given their proofs to bring home earlier this week. If you would like to order a photograph please return your order to school by the morning of **Monday 8th October**, unless you are ordering online.

YEAR 3 ROALD DAHL DAY

It was lovely to see our Year 3 children dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl characters last Friday. They have helped raise money to go towards Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity which helps to make life better for seriously ill children in the UK. We will let you know how much was raised once the money has been counted. Thank you to the parents for providing the costumes and supporting this worthy cause.

DUNCHURCH FOOD FESTIVAL – Friday 26th October 2018 (3.40-4.30pm)

On Friday 26th October from 3.40-4.30pm, we will be holding a food festival. All the children will be involved in making healthy food at school during this week to sell at this event. Teachers are busy planning this exciting event, so please put the date in your diary. We will be raising money towards building a new "Trim Trail" in the school grounds. If any parents would like to help with the cooking during that week, please let the office know.

WARWICKSHIRE MUSIC INSTRUMENT LESSONS

Some children have expressed an interest in learning an instrument. Please apply online to <https://www.warwickshiremusicclub.org/>

OTHER MESSAGES

LOST PROPERTY

Anastasia has lost her named navy tracksuit in a grey Ocado bag and her purple coat. Would parents please check their child's belongings and ensure that they have the correct items.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

MANCHESTER CAROLS – Saturday 8th December 2018 at 7.30pm

Manchester Carols – choir rehearsals are now in progress for all children on Wednesday lunch times. A letter has gone out this week with information about the concert and rehearsals. Please put the date in your diary and return the form as soon as possible.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE AND NATIVITY – St Peter's Church – Sunday 2nd December at 4pm. All choir members invited. Letter to follow soon.

PTA EVENTS

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT – Friday 12th October (6.30-8.30pm)

The PTA will be holding a family bingo evening on Friday 12th October from 6.30-8.30pm, for new year 3 families. Should families from other year groups wish to attend, they are also welcome. This is a fun family event so all family members may join in e.g. younger / older siblings, grandparents. Tickets are £1 per person, please complete the slip below as soon as possible if you would like to come along. If any parents have any prize donations they'd be gratefully received.

PTA DISCO – Thursday 25th October 2018

The PTA have organised a children's disco which will take place in the school hall on Thursday 25th October. The disco, for children in years 3 and 4, will take place from 6.30-7.30pm and the year 5 and 6 disco will run from 8-9pm. Please let us know if you are able to help. Cost is £2 which includes a drink and crisps. Candyfloss will be available at 50p each for the children to purchase on the night. If you think your child will be interested in attending the event please return the slip below together with the entry fee of £2 by Tuesday 23rd October 2018. Children who arrive on the night and who have not paid in advance will not be allowed entry to the disco. Please note that parents must collect their child from inside the school hall at the end of the disco, children will not be allowed outside on their own. **Strictly no mobile phones to be brought into the disco and no caps or hats to be worn.**

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

FIT2DANCE

A reminder that there is no Fit2Dance on Monday 8th October.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

MESSY CHURCH – Saturday 6th October (10.30am-12.30pm)

Dunchurch Baptist Church are running their Messy Church event on Saturday 6th October, from 10.30am-12.30pm.

