

DBJS Newsletter

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Forgiveness - Honesty - Kindness - Patience - Peace

Dear Parents/Carers,

Events for week commencing Monday, 12th November 2018:

		Time	Event
Monday 12th November	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 Fit2Burst Dance
Tuesday 13th November	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3J- Swimming (£4.23 per week)
	After School	3:30-4:30pm	Orchestra Dodgeball Club Rock Solid Club Mad Science Club (<i>subject to interest</i>)
		3.30-4.30pm	PTA Meeting in 5HB classroom
Wednesday 14th November	Lunch time	12-1pm	Year 3 parent lunch
		12.30pm	Choir
	After School	3.30-4.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 3/4)
		3:30-5pm	Film Club (FULL)
		4.30-5.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 5/6)
Thursday 15th November	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 16th November	All Day	All day	Non uniform day/Cake sale – Children in Need Final day for handing in Christmas shoeboxes
	Morning	8.55am	Celebration Assembly
	After School	3.30-4.15pm	Cheerleading Club
			3.30-4.30pm

STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who have achieved their 'Star of the Week' awards: Tyler, Robbie, Cormac, Liam C, Oliver B, Edward G, Declan and Harry C.

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to Ryan L, Haris and Ella M who all travelled to Nottingham to take part in the Nottingham Open Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Championships. After overcoming their own nerves, having to compete in front of a large crowd and other athletes from across the country; Ella captured the Gold medal in her weight class, Haris took silver and Ryan bronze. Congratulations!

MESSAGE FROM MR DEWES

Sunday marks the centenary of the World War I armistice. This was a hugely significant event and I think that the passing of time means it is even more important for schools to mark it, as the lack of those who were alive at the time means there is a danger that we will lose an understanding of what happened and the lessons we can learn. Having said that, it is important that such a difficult topic is handled in an age appropriate way. The teachers have spent time thinking of different ways of doing this. One such way is the display in our entrance hall which you may have seen at Parents' Evening earlier this week. Since then, the children have made poppies which have been added. My thanks in particular to Mrs. Broderick and Mr. Freeman for their work on the display.

Traditionally our school along with Dunchurch Infants and Leamington Hastings have finished at 2PM on the last day of term. I am interested in whether parents would like to continue with this as some parents have said it is inconvenient in terms of arranging childcare. If you have an opinion, let me know by person or email.

We have a Parents Forum meeting scheduled for **Wednesday 28th November at 6.30pm** at Dunchurch Juniors. This is open to all parents and carers at both Dunchurch schools. At the meeting I would like to get parent views on the curriculum we offer in the school. We will discuss topics such as how much time you think we should spend on English and maths as opposed to other subjects and what differences there should be between the curriculum for our younger children compared to our older children. All are welcome.



ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance award goes to **4C!**

Class	Attendance AM	Attendance PM
3J	100%	99.4%
3K	98.2%	98.8%
4B	92.6%	92.6%
4C	100%	100%
5D	98.1%	97.5%
5HB	95.6%	93.8%
6R	98.2%	98.2%
6T	96.5%	96.5%

HOUSE CUP

This week the house cup has been awarded to **Arkwright!** House points are given out for good behaviour, learning or work. Well done to all.

ASSEMBLIES

This week, the children have been thinking about Peace and Remembrance. Rev. Pat and Steve led the assembly on Wednesday morning. The children showed great respect in our Remembrance assembly on Thursday.

ATTACHED

Attached is the parent questionnaire for anyone who did not receive a copy at the parent consultation meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday evening.

SCHOOL EVENTS

NEW LUNCH MENU

Attached is the new Educaterers lunch menu, starting with week 1 next week, Monday 12th November. Children were given a paper copy of the new menu earlier this week to take home. Spare copies are available in the office if you did not receive one and would like a paper copy.

NON UNIFORM DAY/CAKE SALE FRIDAY 16th NOVEMBER - CHILDREN IN NEED

The school council have organised a cake sale and non-uniform day next Friday, 16th November, for Children in Need. Please could children bring donations of cakes/biscuits to the back room of 6R classroom on Friday (no nuts please) for a sale at break. If they would like to wear non-uniform, a donation of 50p is suggested and some money for a cake if they would like one (20p).

SHOEBOXES

We are supporting the Christmas Shoebox Appeal again this year. The children were given a leaflet before half term to bring home. If you would like to join us in supporting this charity, full details of how to do so are in the leaflet (spare copies available in the office). We would be pleased to receive your shoeboxes in school next week, week commencing Monday 12th November. Please note that the deadline for bringing shoeboxes to school will be **Friday 16th November**. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS DINNER – Wednesday 19th December 2018

As in previous years, Educaterers will be providing us with a Christmas dinner which will be served on **Wednesday 19th December**. Christmas dinner at school is always an excellent event with party hats, music and a great atmosphere with the staff, governors and children all eating together in the hall. There will also be a vegetarian alternative available. This year the cost of a Christmas dinner is **£2.45** – the same price as a normal dinner. Please note if you have already paid for your child's meals for this half term in advance then you won't need to make an extra payment for Christmas dinner. If your child does not normally eat a school meal but would like a Christmas dinner, please send £2.45 cheque/cash into school. **As you can imagine, with the high volume of numbers involved, Educaterers have to place their poultry order early.** With this in mind I would be very grateful if you would complete and return the slip below by **21st November** indicating if your child will be eating a Christmas dinner or bringing sandwiches on Wednesday 19th December. We can then inform the kitchen staff as soon as possible. Thank you.

PARENTPAY

YORK RESIDENTIAL VISIT

The next instalment of £16 for children who are participating in the York residential visit is due today, Friday 8th November. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

WALES RESIDENTIAL VISIT

The next instalment of £22 for children who are participating in the Wales residential visit is due today, Friday 8th November. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

CASTLETON RESIDENTIAL VISIT

The next instalment of £37 for children who are participating in the Castleton residential visit is due today, Friday 8th November. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

OTHER MESSAGES

LOST PROPERTY

John O lost his named navy blue O Pyret raincoat on Tuesday, Maia has lost her glasses in a pink Specsavers case

and Kara W has lost her Smiggle watch. Would parents please check their child's belongings and ensure that they have the correct items.

ANTI BULLYING WEEK 12-16th NOVEMBER

Anti-bullying Week 2018 is being held between the 12th and 16th November and is organised by Anti-Bullying Alliance. This year the theme is '**Choose Respect**'. You can follow the events on social media using **#antibullyingweek** and **#abw18**. Bullying is usually defined as repeated behaviour which is intended to hurt someone emotionally or physically and is often aimed at certain people because of their race, religion, gender or sexual orientation or any other aspect such as appearance or disability. If you have any concerns, please contact: **Warwickshire School & Health Wellbeing Service on 03300 245 204 OR TEXT CHATHEALTH PARENT LINE on 07520 619 376. For more information and support please visit www.bullying.co.uk Helpline 0808 800 2222.**

CHAT HEALTH PARENT LINE

We have been asked to advise of the following support available to Warwickshire families from the School Health & Wellbeing Service.

ChatHealth Parent Line

Warwickshire School Health & Wellbeing Service and Warwickshire Young People Substance Misuse Service has launched a new way for parents and carers of school aged children to get confidential advice and support about child health related issues. ChatHealth is an award-winning school nurse messaging service and is available Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm. There will be automatic bounce-back response to incoming messages out of hours. Answering the text message will be a nurse who can assist with any queries about general health, child development, behaviour, toileting and emotional health and wellbeing issues. The text number is 07520 619376. The opportunity to discuss any health issues relating to your child is always available and The School Health and Wellbeing Service can be contacted on 03300 245 204.

PTA EVENTS

Please remember to join the Dunchurch Junior School PTA Facebook Group to keep up to date with fundraising events. Next PTA meeting is **Tuesday 13th November @ 3.30pm** in 5HB. All are welcome, and pupils/siblings can come with you too.

PTA CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Friday 7th December 2018

This is a day full of fun activities for your child, including face painting and a visit to Santa's Grotto, should you wish. Please return the slip to school no later than **Monday 3rd December** along with full payment (the letter is attached and there are spare copies of the letter in the office).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DAVENTRY CHORAL SOCIETY – Christmas Concert – Saturday 1st December at 7.30pm

MANCHESTER CAROLS – Saturday 8th December 2018 at 7.30pm

Tickets for the Manchester Carols concert have been given to the children this week.

Details for the arrangements on both concert days will be given to you nearer the date.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE AND NATIVITY – St Peter's Church – Sunday 2nd December at 4pm.

YEAR 3 PARENT LUNCH – Wednesday 14th November, 12-1pm

CHRISTMAS PLAYS

The Year 3 and 4 Christmas play will be on Monday 17th December at 2pm and 7pm and the Year 5 and 6 performance will take place on Tuesday 18th December also at 2pm and 7pm. Further details will be sent out nearer the time.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

MAD SCIENCE CLUB

Due to there not being enough children interested in taking part in the slime based course of Mad Science club, they are now offering a different course and sessions include Mix it Up, Get Connected, Energy Burst, Super Powers and Sea Life. The new letter is attached. If you have already signed your child up for the Slime based club,

you do not need to fill in a new form but please contact the school office if your child no longer wishes to take part.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

JAMBOREE QUIZ NIGHT – Friday 9th November at Dunchurch Village Hall

Dunchurch Village Hall (Rugby Road, CV22 6PN) are holding a quiz night tonight (Friday 9th November). The doors open at 7pm ready to start the quiz at 7.30pm. It will be finished by 10.30pm. The cost is £5 per person, max team of 6 (free for under 10s), raising funds for Rugby Scouts to go to North America for the world scout jamboree. There will be a raffle and a licensed bar, and refreshments will be available to purchase.

DUNCHURCH FESTIVAL GROUP WINE TASTING EVENING – Saturday 24th November

Dunchurch Festival Group invite you to a Wine Tasting evening on Saturday 24th November at Dunchurch Village Hall, with Sommelier Alan Blakemore. The doors open at 7.30pm ready for a 7.45pm start. Tickets cost £15 per head to include all wines. There will also be a fun wine-themed quiz. Please bring your own cheese and crackers. For tickets, please telephone 01788 817307 or visit Wanda Fashions. www.dunchurchevents.org.uk

DUNCHURCH BAPTIST CHURCH ‘MESSY CHRISTMAS’ EVENT – Saturday 1st December

Dunchurch Baptist Church are holding their ‘Merry Christmas’ event at Dunchurch Methodist Church (Cawston Lane) on Saturday 1st December from 10.30am-12.30pm. There will be crafts, lunch and celebration for all the family. The cost is £1 per person (payable on the day). Please book your place asap by email messychurch@dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk, or via their Facebook page ‘Dunchurch Baptist Church Merry Church’ . Please visit <http://www.dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk/messychurch.php> for more information.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs T Miller
Head of School

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CHRISTMAS DINNER - Wednesday 19th December 2018

My child.....in class.....would like to make the following arrangements for their Christmas dinner.

My child would like the Turkey dinner I have paid on ParentPay/ enclosed £2.45 cheque/cash

My child would like the vegetarian option I have paid on ParentPay/ enclosed £2.45 cheque/cash

My child will be bringing sandwiches

Signed..... Parent / carer Date.....