

DBJS Newsletter 1st February 2019



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Dear Parents/Carers

Events for week commencing Monday 4th February 2019:

		Time	Event
Monday 4th February	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 Club - SPACES
Tuesday 5^h February	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3J- Swimming (£4.23 per week)
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Rock Solid Club Dodgeball Club
Wednesday 6th February	Morning	9am – 12 noon	Y3 visit Hindu Temple
	Lunch Time	12.30pm	Choir
	Afternoon	2.30pm	Sign2Sing with DIS children
	After School	3.30-4.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 3/4)
		3.30-5pm	Film Club
		3.30-4.30pm	Cookery Club - <i>full</i>
		4.30-5.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 5/6)
	6pm	5HB – Space Camp overnight	
Thursday 7th February	Lunch Time	12.30pm	Orchestra
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	French Club Construction Club CCFC Football Club Play On Theatre Club - SPACES
		6pm	5D - Space Camp overnight
Friday 8th February	Morning	8.55am	Celebration Assembly
	After School	3.30-4.15pm	Cheerleading
		3.30-4.30pm	Tag Rugby Spanish

LETTERS HOME

Y3 – Hindu Temple visit

STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who have achieved their 'Star of the Week' awards: Sophie K, Archie L, Minnie S and Bella M.

MESSAGE FROM MR DEWES

Parents who have been into the school in the last week or so may have noticed a new display. This is a large and very detailed frieze, which supports a programme we have introduced called *Understanding Christianity*.



The frieze tells the 'big story' of Christianity, with very detailed illustrations. As a Church school this is very important part of our curriculum. This week Mrs. Broderick took a group of children to Knightlow Primary School to spend a day with their pupils and those from other schools to see different ways of approaching the *Understanding Christianity* programme and they have come back with lots of good ideas.

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance award goes to 4C!

Class	Attendance AM	Attendance PM
3J	98.8	98.2
3K	95.2	95.2
4B	93.7	93.7
4C	99.4	99.4
5D	96.9	94.4
5HB	96.3	96.9
6R	96.4	95.8
6T	95.9	93.5

HOUSE CUP

This week the House Cup has been awarded to Waring. House points are given out for good behaviour, learning or work. Well done to all.

SCHOOL EVENTS

NON-UNIFORM DAY FOR PUPILS AT BOTH THE INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOLS

Friday 15th February. Suggested donation of £1 per child gratefully received

Both schools are trying to raise money to support Prader Willi Syndrome Association, which offer invaluable help and support to families.

A family of a former pupil who has PWS has asked us to share this insight into their lives: Dan and Natasha's son, Max, was born in 2008. When he came into the world he didn't open his eyes or cry, he was as floppy as a rag doll and wasn't able to breast feed. He was

taken into Special Care and was tube fed in a motionless state. After many intrusive tests, Natasha and her husband, Dan, were finally sat down and told that Max had a rare genetic disorder called Prader Willi Syndrome. Max won't be able to have children and will need lots of support and constant supervision for the rest of his life. He has learning difficulties which include having a short concentration span, making learning a challenge. He has poor fine motor skills and speech and language difficulties. Max has a damaged area in the brain called the Hypothalamus, which means that he never feels full up after meals. He suffers with very low muscle tone (inside and out) and has a slow metabolism, making burning off his calories very hard. Without a strict daily monitoring of his calorie intake, Max could very quickly become overweight and this could lead to life threatening obesity. It costs £350,000 per annum to keep PWSA running. Any money raised will also go towards research into finding a cure. Max already benefits from research in the form of a daily growth hormone injection. It has changed his world. His life is a big challenge with many frustrations every day but he is always smiling and laughing and has a mountain of support that his parents can never be thankful enough for, so thank you, in advance, from the Warwood family. **All money raised will be donated to the Prader Willi Syndrome Association Charity No: 1155846**

RESIDENTIAL VISITS - PAYMENTS

The next installment for the residential trips for years 4, 5 & 6 are due today. Costs as follows: Year 4 York £16, Year 5 Wales £22 and Year 6 Castleton £37 is due today.

SIGN2SING

We are pleased to announce that we will be participating in the above event, along with Dunchurch Infants, during the afternoon of **Wednesday 6th February**. Sign2sing is an annual fundraising event, organized by the deaf health charity SingHealth, which gives people the chance to learn sign language while helping to fundraise projects that support deaf people. This year's chosen song is 'The Greatest Day' by Take That, and pupils have already started to 'sing and sign' with Mrs Fairbrother in their music lessons. However, we would be very grateful if children could practice at home as well. The music video can be found on the website: sing2sign.or.uk. We are hoping to raise money for this very worthwhile charity by asking for a contribution of £1 from each child. Please support your child and the school!

PTA

The next PTA meeting will be on **Tuesday 12th March** from 3.30pm, lasting no longer than one hour. All parents/ carers are welcome to attend and help plan the events. Pupils and younger siblings can come with you too; just sign in at reception after pick up time.

PTA DISCO – Thursday 14th February

The PTA have organised a disco which will take place in the School Hall on Thursday 14th February. The disco, for children in **Years 3 & 4**, will take place from **6-7pm** and **Years 5 & 6** will run from **7.15-8.15pm**. Please note the change of times. Please let us know if you are able to help. The cost is £2, which includes a drink and crisps and candyfloss will be available at 50p, too. If you think your child will be interested in attending the event please return the consent slip, which can be found on previous newsletters, together with the entry fee of £2 by **Tuesday 12th February**. 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 drop off at the main entrance but collect their child from inside the Woosh Room at the end of the disco (door on the side of school on top playground - this is a change from previous discos); 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.**

TEARFUND COLLECTION

As part of the Year 6 R.E work about being aware of other people in the world, we would like to raise money for the 'Tearfund' charity. They are currently supporting the relief effort for the victims of the Tsunami that occurred in Indonesia recently. Please can children bring in any spare pennies to create the longest line of pennies we can. We aim to send this money off by 15th February 2019. Many thanks in advance.

OTHER EVENTS

ST. PETER'S CHURCH You are invited to St Peter's Church at 10.30 this Sunday to the All Age Service. The service theme is to re-inforce school and family values of 'Sharing & Caring'.

FRIENDS OF DUNCHURCH SOCIETY (FODS) Remember if your child wishes to enter the FODS Rugby in Bloom logo completion, entries should be in school by 7th February 2019.

MESSY CHURCH at Dunchurch Methodist Church, Cawston Lane on Saturday 9th February between 10.30am – 12.30pm. There will be crafts, lunch and celebration for all the family for only £1 per person, payable on the day. To book, asap, please go to messychurch@dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk

TAG RUGBY AT PRINCETHORPE COLLEGE Friday 8th February, 4.15-6.00pm. An opportunity to try Tag Rugby, a free training session on Princethorpe College's astroturf. Learn new skills, make friends and have fun – beginners are most welcome! Aimed at girls and boys, the afternoon will finish with a mini tournament and refreshments for spectators. For more information, please contact Helen Morgan on 01926 634262 or email helenmorgan@princethorpe.co.uk.

SKY BLUES IN THE COMMUNITY are running a holiday camp during February half term. You can follow this link to book onto courses and find information: <https://bit.ly/2Dia5oX>

SOUTHAM UNITED FC Banbury Road, Southam, CV47 2BJ. Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February between 10.00am – 3.00pm. (Early drop off available from 9am at extra £2 per day.) £12 per day or £50 for 5 days. For boys and girls aged 5- 14. FA qualified and DBS checked coaches. Contact Sophie Bourton by mobile: 07446023651 /email: sophie.bourton@southamunited.com

WASPS AT RUGBY ST. ANDREW'S host our Rugby Coachclass on 21st-22nd February with our Wasps Community Coaches and the possibility of some very special guests to coach all things Rugby in the home of Rugby! Wasps Coachclass is designed for players of all abilities from U7-U12 age groups. It's an exciting opportunity for all young aspiring players or soon to be rugby players to enjoy learning key core skills and develop their game understanding. Group bookings and sibling discounts are available (for more information contact community@wasps.co.uk) Please visit www.wasps.co.uk/coachclass for more information and booking.

EARLY YEARS CYCLE TRAINING by Harris C of E Academy SSP for February half term. For more information contact <https://www.facebook.com/harrisacademyschoolsports/> or <http://www.harris.covmat.org/welcome-2/>

Yours sincerely

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