

Next Week's Assembly Theme: Innovation / World Philosophy Day

Reminder: Can you please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.

What's on Week beginning 4th November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS1 Multi Skills Club 3-4pm Y5/6 Football Club 3-4pm	Y4/5 Dodgeball at Kingsbury	Family Lunch Y3/4 Football Club 3-4pm KS2 Musical Theatre Club 3.00 -4.15pm		Reports out to Parents 2.40pm Celebration Assembly Y3-6 Hockey Club 3-4pm

Anti- Bullying Week

Our schools have been recognised for the children's positive behaviour and as a school we pride ourselves on the nurturing and caring environment that we have created together. A strength of our school is the respect children have for each other and children talk positively about being part of a family.

Like all families, there are disagreements. People do not always see eye to eye - its human nature. Children do fall out with each other, say mean things and occasionally hurt each other. This is unacceptable behaviour and we deal with it when it happens using a restorative approach. Aiming to maintain relationships where possible between the children. This is not nice, can make children feel sad and lonely but these isolated incidents are not bullying. Children often use the term bullying to describe when someone is mean to them. They are misusing the term.

Bullying is not a 'single isolated incident', but is something that is more likely to be targeted, planned and repeated. We are working with our children to develop their understanding of this. It is a situation where their Early Warning Signs never go away.

Bullying is thankfully extremely rare in our schools, but in almost every organisation (including those most adults work in) it is present in some shape or form. Any school or any organisation which says 'we have no bullying' probably has a poor understanding of what it is or are sweeping it under the carpet. Our role is to ensure that we give children an understanding of what it is, the power and support to tackle it and create a climate where it is totally unacceptable and if it occurs it is extremely rare and stamped out immediately.

Thankfully, over the past five years our 'bullying logs' show less than a handful of incidents, which is an extraordinary result that we are very proud of. However, we are never complacent and will continue to work hard to ensure that our children treat each other with the highest levels of respect.

The most important message to share is that if a child has their Early Warning Signs they are to tell an adult on their network straight away so the situation can be addressed.

Mrs M Cross
Executive Headteacher

Parents' Evening - 26th and 27th November

The booking window for Parents' Evening appointments is open. If you are unsure about how to book your time slot there is an eschools guide in the Parents section of the school website. The new improved eschools app now has the facility for parents to book appointments via their phones. If you do not know your parent login please contact the school office who will be happy to help you.



A hard working Hawk

All photographs can be purchased via ParentPay for £3 per A4 colour copy.

Spot Light on Excellence...

Pen Panel

This week, our first **PEN PANEL** took place this academic year. Maisie, Nicole, Lewis, Rosie and I looked at three English books per class (in KS2) and the team had to decide whether the children could receive the next pen or not. As we are a democracy here at Dordon, we decided to put the pen ownership back on the children. Staff suggested pupils who should try for the next pen at the Pen Panel, but ultimately it is now up to the children. Once the children came to the panel our Key Stage 2 team used posters and writing exemplification to decide whether each child should move on to the next pen. I have to be honest, I thought I would have to support the children in making their decisions, but it was the opposite - they knew exactly what to say!

Watching the children receive their pens was a special moment. They were all so excited and eager to use them. There were also children who did not receive the next pen on this occasion, but they listened carefully to the advice the Pen Panel provided to help them improve.

We hope this will give children better insight in what they need to do to improve their handwriting in the coming year.

I would like to say a huge congratulations to Lydia in Year 6, who is the first to receive the STAR PEN (which is a Parker fountain pen). The Pen Panel were in agreement that her handwriting was consistently neat and tidy.

Miss McGroarty



IPad App of the week
Little Red Riding Hood Presented
by Dog and Cat by Busythings
Ltd (£0.69 / £0.34 VPP)



Dog and Cat love dressing up! Watch Dog and Cat dress up and perform Little Red Riding Hood - all from the comfort of their own living room. Pause the story at any time and play individual sentences. Great to develop imagination in young children and encourage them to recreate and acting out a story.

Charity Update

Our new charity for this year is





Children

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Need



Thank you to everyone who came to school in their pyjamas today and raised £146.60 for Children in Need. If you have forgotten to send in your £1 you can bring it into the office on Monday morning.

Dates for your Diary

25/11/19 - 29/11/19 Book Fair
 26/11/19 - Parents' Evening late appointments
 27/11/19 - Parents' Evening early appointments
 28/11/19 - Open Morning 9.00am - 10.00am
 02/12/19 - Enterprise Week
 05/12/19 - Non-Uniform bring a tombola prize as payment
 06/12/19 - School Christmas Fayre
 09/12/19 - Whole School Nasal Flu Immunisations
 09/12/19 - KS1 Movie Night
 12/12/19 - Show and Share
 16/12/19 - KS2 Movie Night
 19/20/19 - Whole School to Church
 20/12/19 - Christmas Jumper Day
 20/12/19 - Christmas Dinner Day
 20/12/19 - End of Term school finishes at 1.05pm
 06/01/20 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
 07/01/20 - Spring Term begins
 17/02/20 - 21/02/20 Half Term
 24/02/20 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
 25/02/20 - Term resumes
 03/04/20 - End of Term school finishes at 3.00pm
 20/04/20 - Summer Term begins
 08/05/20 - Bank Holiday
 25/05/20 - 29/05/20 - Half Term
 01/06/20 - Term resumes
 19/06/20 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
 17/07/20 - End of Term school finishes at 1.05pm

Hawk



Year 5 are really enjoying their learning this half term:

"I like learning about World War 1 because we got to write our own descriptive paragraph." Olivia R

"I like our new theme because it's really fascinating." Billy

"I am looking forward to reading the next part of the book 'Private Peaceful'." Freya

"I enjoyed making our war silhouettes that were put on display. I made a war plane and waves for a submarine." Finlay

"I am enjoying our new topic, we watched 'The Piano', it's about an old man in the war."

Contact Information

Could you please ensure that you keep the school office informed of your contact details, especially mobile phone numbers as we often send out information and reminders via the text message service. Any changes of address also need to be reported to the school office as letters to parents and postcards home are sent via royal mail.



@Dordon Primary

School Council Stamp Collection



The School Council has decided to collect stamps to help raise money for our sponsored charity of the year Zoe's Place. Could you please send your stamps into school, each class will have it's own collection box and we will see who are the best stamp collectors!

Attendance

	Last Week	Year
Peacock	100%	95.6%
Kingfisher	98%	96%
Swan	96.7%	96.2%
Owl	93.3%	96.8%
Swift	99%	98%
Hawk	96.3%	96.6%
Falcon	92.6%	96.5%

Last weeks Postcards Home

Peacock = Jessica

Kingfisher = Lois

Swan = Ava-Mae

Owl = Edward

Swift = Jamie

Hawk = Harvey

Falcon = Lydia

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Jack & Jill Preschool Before and After School Club

Breakfast Club 7.30-8.35am.

After School Club
3.00-5.30pm.

Monday - Friday, term time only. For more information please contact Jack & Jill Preschool on 01827 899551 (Please note that once a session has been booked you will be charged even if your child does not arrive.)