

Next Weeks Assembly Theme: World Music Day

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Reminder: The children's lunch menu is available on the school website in the parents section.

What's on Next Week					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Cross Country Club 12.30-1pm Book Fair 3.15-4.00 KS2 Football Club 3-4pm KS1 Multi-sports Club 3-4pm	Book Fair 3.15-4.00	Book Fair 3.15-4.00	Peacock class to Twycross Zoo Book Fair 3.15-4.00 Dordon's Got Talent 5.00 - 6.30pm KS2 Summer Sports Club 3-4pm	Book Fair 3.15-4.00 Celebration Assembly 2.40	

Our New Pupils

'making sure our new pupils get the best possible start'

Strange as it might seem, at this time of year we are not only thinking of finishing the academic year, but are also involved in full scale preparations for next academic year!

Throughout our primary schools, all manner of 'induction activities' are currently taking place. For our new Reception children, we have already visited many of the 'settings' children will come from and also hosted 'open mornings' and 'parents induction meetings' to explain how our schools work. Children are also welcome into school to visit the class and attend sessions such as 'story time' sessions. These events are designed to ensure that parents and children not only feel part of the 'big family' but also understand how our school works.

In September we will also conduct 'home visits' which again builds that important link between home and school. During 'home visits' our new children get the chance to see their teacher in a familiar setting and also for parents to share any concerns or worries.

We also make sure that our Year 6 children are extremely well prepared for their next big step. Apart from regular visits to secondary schools throughout the year, and meetings between teachers to talk about the children, we are also very grateful to colleagues from secondary schools who visit us to get to know them and answer any questions they might have. Our children also benefit from all manner of 'familiarisation sessions' at their new schools, which are arranged by academic departments. A number of sessions are arranged for the remainder of this term.

'Induction' is however not limited to the start and end of each year. Because of the very large number of children that have joined us mid-year, we have excellent arrangements in place to ensure that new pupils feel comfortable starting their new school. A 'mid-year' starter is always given a 'School Shadow'; a role the children are proud to undertake. A 'Shadow' meets their new friend at the start of the school day, helps them find their coat peg, shows them about, play with them at lunchtime and generally looks after them in their first few weeks.

Parental surveys results consistently show 'outstanding practise' in this area and make us feel very proud. Parents tell us that children who join us feel safe, secure and settled and make excellent progress with us. We care a great deal about ALL of our children and will do our utmost to ensure they are well prepared, happy and confident.

Mr May - Director of Education



Proud Pupils in their new uniform

All photographs can be purchased for £3 per A4 colour copy. Please see the school office for one.

Spot Light on Excellence...

<u>Uniform</u>

Coming back from Manor Adventure, it was amazing to see so many of our pupils already wearing the new uniform. The blue jumpers really look smart and you can see the pride of the children as they wear something that belongs to them and our school community. I am looking forward to seeing the sea of navy blue in September.

What does your child most enjoy about school?

A selection of comments from our most recent parental questionnaire which we are extremely proud of... (names removed for anonymity!)

"I think you are doing a great job with my son."

Weekly Safety Question

Each week we ask the children a quick 'outside of school' safety question in assembly on Friday. We would be grateful if parents could help us at home by giving the same message. This week:

> What do you do if you are using the internet and an inappropriate picture appears?'



IPad App of the week Eggs on Legs for iPad by **Primary Games Ltd**

(£0.69 / £0.34 VPP)

Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills are all put to the test as you try to crack eggs hiding a digit.



Charity Update

Money raised so far for



We are now collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers.

Please note that although we check the suitability of applications, they can be changed without notice



is here and Open for business!

This online portal now allows you to easily pay for all your children's school trips, dinners, music lessons all in one place. Now fully operational with dinner money, school trips, swimming lessons, music lessons. Please note that any credit or debit balances from our previous systems have been transferred. This will mainly concern Dinner Money which can be paid on a weekly basis and a minimum payment of £5.00 must be paid for at a time, you can of course pay more for longer periods if you wish.

Thank you for your support with our roll out of this online service. Should you require any further help or advice please contact the office who will be pleased to help.

Myths and Legends

A selection of comments and misconceptions we hear

'My child is worried about September'

In all honesty, we usually find that it is the parent who is more worried! Our children are exceptionally well prepared for change. We hold a 'moving up day', induction days at their new schools and plenty of 'meet and greet sessions' when their 'new teacher' spends time with them. If your child really IS worrying, please come and chat to us. We will do everything we can to make everyone feel comfortable.

possble and the class which collects the most will get a special prize!!

We need your used stamps!!

We are asking all the children to bring in used stamps, so these can be traded in to raise money for our chosen charity Polesworth Group Homes. Simply tear off the corner of the envelope making sure not to tear the stamp and the children then need to hand them in to their class teacher. We are joining together with Birchwood to collect as many stamps as



Social Media

We do not support the use of social media to air negative comments about the school in a public and unregulated forum. We are always pleased to work with our community and keen to improve all that we do.

We would appreciate the opportunity to discuss concerns in person which is the appropriate way to act.



Just a reminder that the eSchools 'app' is available for you to download from the Apple or Google Play stores. The app will allow you to receive text notifications directly from the school to your mobile device.

Dates for your Diary

Summer Term 2016

23/06/16 - Peacock class to

Twycross Zoo

23/06/16 - Dordon's Got Talent

05/07/16 - Sports Day

07/07/16 - Induction Day

15/07/16 - Staff Development Day

20/07/16 - Y6 Leavers Disco 6-8pm

22/07/16 - Term ends school finishes at 1pm



www.ocado.com/careers

Half Price Book Fair at Dordon Primary

20th June - 24th June from 3.15 - 4.00pm

Come along and get your summer reading book and help get new books for the school at the same time!!

Cameo Dance (Est. 2003)

held at the Tithe Barn & Memorial Hall,
Polesworth on Fridays.

Call Liz on 01827 895899 or 07443

421867 - Little Dancers 3-6 Years 4.305.30pm - Juniors 7-11 Years 5.30-7.30pm

Visit www.cameodance.co.uk



Making business flow

CEVA Logistics, Volkswagen Distribution Centre Birch Coppice Business Park, Dordon, Tamworth, B78 1S Tel: 01827 891100



Manor Adventure

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Adventure I barely knew anybody in my dormitory, by Saturday I had made lots of new friends. I recommend you should go, this will be the best weekend of your entire life." Harry

"I think Manor Adventure was really fun and it is a good opportunity, not just to do the activities you never do at home, but to make new friends ready for the High School." Tabitha

"All of the activities were really fun, even if you are tired and scared." Billy

"With the zip wire you have to climb to the top of the tree and if you scream you can go faster because all of the air is going out of your lungs." David

"By far my favourite was the abseiling, it was terrifying for the first ten seconds when you have to lean back over the edge of the tower, but I really liked it." Reuben

"There is all sorts of things you might like and enjoy - and you might discover a new skill in you!" Jia Jia

Sun Awareness

IMPORTANT: It is very important that children attend school with a water bottle, a hat and in sunny weather have applied 'all day sun cream' before coming in. Whilst the children are rarely outside for more than an hour during a school day, we take great care to ensure they are not adversely effected by strong sun

For children with particularly sensitive skin or if parents wish, parents are welcome to attend school at lunchtime to apply additional sun cream.

Reminder: Dogs should not be brought into school at any time, even if carried. We also DO NOT permit dogs to be tied to the school gates outside school. Please leave your dog at home.

Reminder: Homework goes out twice a week on a Monday and a Thursday. If you don't receive it please contact school immediately.

<u>Last weeks</u> Postcards Home

Peacock = Dominic

Kingfisher = May

Swan = Jared

Owl = Libby

Swift = Della

Hawk = Thomas

Falcon = Maizy



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Jack & Jill Preschool Before

and After School Club
Breakfast Club 7.45-8.35am.
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.)