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Reminder: Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school every day.

What's on Next Week						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
		Y6 Body Image talk with				
		School Nurse	+ :: D	Hippodrome Workshop Y3 &		
		Y4 & 6 Road Safety	Transition Day			
KS1 Football Club 3-4pm	Y3/4 Multi Sports Club	Y4/5 Oakfield Football	Pupil's Favourite Meal	Celebration Assembly 2.40p		
Y5/6 Multi Sports Club 3-4pm	3-4pm	Tournament	Menu			
		Peacock class visit to Dordon	6pm Y6 Parents Evening	Y5/6 Rounders Club 3-4pm		
		church	at Polesworth			

Teacher Training Days

As a parent myself, I can appreciate that children having what appear to be random days off school can be inconvenient, especially if you are working. However, these days form an important part of staff development. It is a rare thing to have all staff available for training so we certainly make the most of it.

This week, Senior Leaders are meeting, along with other leaders within the CAT, to plan for academic year 2019/20 setting out school priorities and ensuring we continue our drive for school improvement. Teaching staff are starting work on their long term plans for next year, planning an exciting, skills-based curriculum. Our support staff are meeting with administration and site teams from across the Trust to receive training and make valuable contributions to some of the processes.

Other training days across the year address Health and Safety training, safeguarding updates and Performance Management of staff. They are often some of the busiest days of the year with everyone taking the opportunity to achieve tasks that are difficult when we are going about our day to day jobs.

In addition to teacher training days, staff across school have access to training opportunities as part of their ongoing professional development. This can be through staff meetings, advisers in school, working alongside colleagues or external training courses.

As a staff, we continually strive to be better in our roles and to provide the best service we can to the children and our community.

M Cross Executive Headteacher



<u>Y5/6 Kwik Cricket Tournament</u> <u>at Atherstone CC</u>

On Tuesday, some Year 6 and Year 5 children took part in a Kwik Cricket Tournament. It was held at Atherstone and Dordon did extremely

well, coming 2nd out of the 14 teams that participated. We were unbeaten until the final where we lost 220 runs to 250, but all in all we had lots of fun.

James Y6



Y5/6 Kwik Cricket Team

All photographs can be purchased via ParentPay for $\pounds 3$ per A4 colour copy.

Spot Light on Excellence...

Sports at Dordon

This week, I wanted to focus on sports at Dordon and how they have improved over time. During the school day we have Top Score professionals who have supported staff in delivering P.E lessons and improving teachers subject knowledge, we have Aspire P.E once a week and they focus on maths in P.E lessons, and we have recently bought a new P.E scheme which focuses more on P.E skills and ensures coverage from Reception to Year 6 is evident. We also have an array of after school sporting clubs which have been very popular across KS1 and 2 (multi-sports, football, cross-country, cricket).

Two years ago I had some feedback from a parent who asked me why Dordon didn't get involved in more sporting competitions and if I'm honest, it made me reflect on our practice here at Dordon, as I could not answer that question with conviction. From that moment on, I was determined to enter our children in more competitions. I absolutely promote our children being 'in it to win' and there is nothing wrong with a bit of healthy competition, but it is also important for them to recognise that if they do not win they should not be disappointed if they have tried their very best. With these sentiments in mind, Miss Thorpe (who is fiercely competitive) and Mrs Dean have been superb in organising sporting events outside of school. We have also relied on the good-will of our parents taking a lot of children to competitions too. Some of our results:

Year 3/4 Quad Kids - won their heat

Year 3/4 girls football - came first

Year 5/6 Kwik Cricket - came second

Year 5/6 dodgeball - came third

Year 5/6 cross country - a child come second

This week, our Year 5/6 children came back from Kwik Cricket (after getting through to the finals next week) and Miss Thorpe told me she overheard a teacher say to her class, "You are playing Dordon next and they are really good." That one comment exemplifies that Dordon are now contenders and no longer lurk in the shadows of other schools.

Well done Dordon.

Miss McGroarty



Healthy eating

Around the time your child starts school, they will suddenly start growing very quickly and become more active. Children need a healthy balanced diet rich in fruit, vegetables and starchy foods.

Encourage your child to choose a variety of foods to help make sure they get the wide range of nutrients they need to stay healthy. We should all be eating at least 5 portions of a variety of fruits and vegetables every day. For children, one portion is roughly a handful. For further information please visit Change for life website or contact your School Nurse at Warwickshire School health and Wellbeing Service on 0300 245 204 - Option 3.



Dogs are NOT permitted anywhere on the school site at any time. We would appreciate parents not bringing dogs to the school gate. Please leave your dog at home.

Dates for your Diary

01/0719 - Sports Day

- 03/07/19 Reserve Sports Day 04/07/19 - Dordon's Got Talent 4-6pm 10/07/19 - N.W. Area Athletics
- 11/07/19 Show and Share 3.10pm 4.00pm
- 12/07/19 Peacock class trip to Twycross Zoo
- 12/07/19 Reports out to Parents
- 16/07/19 Y6 Leavers Play
- 17/07/19 Y6 Leavers Disco 6 8pm
- 19/07/19 End of Term school finishes at 1.05pm

2019/2020

02/09/19 - Inset Day school closed to pupils 03/09/19 - Autumn Term begins 28/10/19 - 01/11/19 - Half Term 04/11/19 - Inset Day school closed to pupils 05/11/19 - Term resumes 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 These dates may be subject to change if necessary. Details and times to be confirmed nearer each event.



Swan class went on a class trip to the Black Country Living Museum:

"I liked it when we saw the old fashioned school with the cane and we learnt how to write old fashioned." Lexi



"My favourite part was when Mrs Finnon didn't bring in her school money, so she got told off." Lavla

"I liked the school because they had dead animals as statues." Amanda



"I enjoyed it when Mrs Finnnon

"My favourite part of the trip was when we were on the top of the old bus because it was fun." Jess



"I liked it when we played with the old fashioned toys outside." Mollie

"My favourite part was when Mrs Finnon got told off because she had nail varnish on and Miss Williams too." Noah A

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*	<u>Attendance</u>						
***		Last Week	Year				
***	Peacock	90.9%	93.8%				
*****	Kingfisher	94.1%	95.4%				
***	Swan	97.5%	96.5%				
******	Owl	95.5%	97.9%				
****	Swift	96.8%	96.8%				
~*****	Hawk	92.6%	93.8% 95.4% 96.5% 97.9% 96.8% 94.2% 96.1%				
***	Falcon	94%	96.1%				



Last weeks Postcards Home Peacock = Daniel Kingfisher = Max Swan = Declan

- Owl = Ioseph
- Swift = Olivia P
- *Hawk* = *Stephanie*
- Falcon = Daniel W

