



DORDON DELIVERS

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Next Week's Assembly Theme: Consideration / Respect - One word school rule

Reminder: Children in Key Stage 1 are provided with a piece of fruit at break time as part of the School Fruit & Vegetable scheme.

What's on Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS1 Multi Skills 3 - 4pm KS2 Football 3 - 4pm	KS2 Multi Sports 3 - 4pm Embody Dance Y2-6 3 - 4pm		Manor Adventure Meeting 6pm	Internet Safety Assembly 9am Celebration Assembly 2.40pm

Communication

One of our key themes this year is communication. We are looking for ways to improve the flow of information between school and home. Thank you to the parents who attended 'Meet the Teacher' or have since sought opportunities to get the information shared. This is something we will look to do each year so that expectations are clear.

There is now a school Facebook page and you should have received a letter and protocol about it. We also use E Schools as a form of communication by updating class pages on a weekly basis so you know what your child is studying in school.

In order for the flow of information to be as good as it can possibly be we need all of the information we hold in school to be accurate. This means up to date telephone numbers and email addresses. We have an appointed GDPR controller who ensures that your data is stored securely and in line with new regulations.

You will very shortly receive your data collection sheet. In line with guidance, we can no longer send out your information to amend. You will need to complete a new form. It is imperative that you do this. Imagine that something happens in school and we cannot get hold of you in an emergency.

We are also asking that we have a **minimum of three contact numbers**. There have been several high profile cases recently where children have not been in school and only one contact number has been provided. There has been no other way for school to check on the welfare of the child and parent and unfortunately this has led to tragic outcomes. I cannot stress to you enough the importance of having several contacts. Please return your data collection sheets into school as soon as possible so that we can update our system.

Mrs M Cross
Executive Headteacher



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Spot Light on Excellence...

Peacock Class

It has been a pleasure to watch our new Reception class come into school over the last two weeks. They have settled into the routine of the day so quickly and look amazing in their school uniforms too.

Mrs Ford and Mrs Beales, our new Peacock class teachers, have been really impressed and regularly singing the children's praises. I have seen the children learning all about their new classroom, singing songs, reading together and even learning how to tidy up and respect their environment. It is quite astounding to think how quickly our children can adapt to their new surroundings.

I was also delighted to see our new parents come and join Dordon for lunch this week too. These opportunities are precious for parents and we try our utmost to facilitate these moments whenever we can.

Welcome Peacock class, Mrs Ford and Mrs Beales!

Miss McGroarty



iPad App of the week

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Have fun while learning your tables with this great iPad App from Primary Games Ltd. Choose the multiplication fact you need to practise from the front screen, and then pop all the balloons containing a multiple of that fact as fast as you can!

Charity Update

We will be selecting a single charity for the school to sponsor again this year. If you have any suggestions or thoughts please let us know.

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



Permanent Vacancy

New Vacancy – School Cleaner

Birchwood Primary School is seeking to appoint a Cleaner for 12.5 hours per week term time, plus two weeks holiday cleaning (times to be discussed/40 week contract). Actual salary £4907.26.

Birchwood is a very popular successful school recognised as an 'Outstanding' school (OFSTED 2014/15). We are looking for someone to join our friendly, enthusiastic and committed cleaning team on a permanent basis, working with our well behaved and happy pupils.

Full training will be given, as well as all the support you need.

Application form and a job description are available from the school office or on our website www.birchwoodprimaryschool.com. Please return completed forms to school no later than 9.00am on Monday 1st October 2018.

Warwickshire County Council would like to hear your views on the School Health & Wellbeing Service. We would encourage you to visit the website and complete the survey before the closing date of 12th October 2018:

<https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/public-health/school-health-and-wellbeing-service/>

Dates for your Diary

20/09/18 - Manor Adventure Meeting 6pm
21/09/18 - Internet Safety Assembly 9am
25/09/18 - Y7 Tree Planting 3.30pm
28/09/18 - MacMillan Coffee Morning 9.00am - 10.30am
02/10/18 - Hands on Guided Reading Y1-6, 8.50am - 9.20am
15/10/18 - Open Morning 9.00am - 10.00am
24/10/18 - Reception phonics workshop 9.00am
25/10/18 - Embody Dance Performances 2.00pm
29/10/18 - 02/11/18 - Half Term Week
05/11/18 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
06/11/18 - Term resumes for pupils
09/11/18 - Deadline for Manor Adventure deposit
14/11/18 - Booking opens for Parents Evening
21/11/18 - Grandparents Lunch
23/11/18 - Reports due out
28/11/18 - Parents Evening late 5.30pm
29/11/18 - Parents Evening early 3.30pm
07/12/18 - Christmas Fayre
10/12/18 - KS1 Movie Night 3.00pm
17/12/18 - KS2 Movie Night 3.30pm
18/12/18 - Show and Share 3.00pm
19/12/18 - Christmas Performances
20/12/18 - Carols in Church 9.00am
20/12/18 - Embody Dance Performances 2.00pm
21/12/18 - Christmas Jumper Day
21/12/18 - End of Term school finishes at 1.05pm

07/01/19 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
08/01/19 - Spring Term starts
18/02/19 - 22/02/19 Half Term Week
25/02/19 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
26/02/19 - Term resumes for pupils
12/04/19 - Deadline for payment for Manor Adventure Trip
12/04/19 - End of Term school closes at 3.00pm

29/04/19 - Summer Term begins
06/05/19 - Bank Holiday
13/05/19 - Y6 SATs Week
27/05/19 - 31/05/19 Half Term Week
03/06/19 - Term resumes for pupils
07/06/19 - 10/06/19 - Manor Adventure Residential Trip
21/06/19 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
19/07/19 - 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.

Hawk

Here is what Hawk class are enjoying about being back in school;

"I'm enjoying Year 5 because I like our book and the work is challenging. Also the Teachers are lovely and I'm happy to be in the class." Ruby

"I like learning about Science and Cities so Year 5 is going to be awesome!" Jared

"I love Year 5 especially the book we're reading which is called 'Roof toppers' and is about a girl who was found in a cello case and was saved by Charles Maxim. Year 5 is spectacular." Victoria

"I like that we are now doing the new work book, so we are doing more maths." Josiah

"I am enjoying everything but my main thing is the book 'Roof toppers' and I am making loads of friends." Alan

"I am so excited to learn about London and Paris. This term is going to be the BEST term ever!" Stephanie



Attendance

	Last Week	Year
Peacock	97.5%	97.5%
Kingfisher	91.1%	91.1%
Swan	100%	100%
Owl	96.7%	96.7%
Swift	99.2%	99.2%
Hawk	99.6%	99.6%
Falcon	95.8%	95.8%

Last weeks Postcards Home

Peacock =
Kingfisher = Lexi
Swan = Oliver
Owl = Jack
Swift = Luke
Hawk = Corey
Falcon = Oliver

Stop It Please!

Children need to be taught to deal with things they don't like happening to them properly. In school we tell them that hitting back is not acceptable. We simply ask:

'If someone does or says something you don't like, say 'Stop It Please!'. If this doesn't stop the problem, go to an adult who will ALWAYS deal with the problem immediately.

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Dordon Primary School Website

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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.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of *Platt v Isle of Wight Council* which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Attendance, Compliance and Enforcement Service of Warwickshire County Council

It is important to note, Fixed Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days).

Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996.

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices.

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority

Warwickshire Primary School pupils recorded **29,703** half day sessions of absence due to holiday in the Autumn/Spring term during the academic year 2017/18. This is an increase of 6,256 on the previous year.