

ORDON DELIVERS

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25th May 2018

Week beginning 4th June Assembly Theme: Values / Doing your best / Ramadan

Reminder: Enjoy half term and we will see you back in school on Monday 4th June.

What's on Week beginning 4th June				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Kingfishers Animal Experience 3.00 - 4.00 KS1 Multi Skills 3.00 - 4.00 KS2 Football	Y6 Healthy Eating Y6 'My Mate Fancies You' at Birchwood 3.00 - 4.00 KS2 Multi Sports		Y3 & Y6 Road Safety Rounders Tournament at Outwoods Primary	Manor Adventure Celebration Assembly 2.40pm 3.00 - 4.00pm Y2-6 Embody Dance Club

GEMS - update

Today has seen our first awards being presented under the new system of GEMS. The children have been working hard this half term and they have been able to see their own progress against that of their classmates. The beauty of this system is that the scores reset to zero and everyone has the chance to be the best at the end of next half term. I have been into classrooms to find out whether the children like the new system compared to stars. Here are some of the responses.

I like GEMS because the G reminds us of Growth Mindset and reminds us to work harder.

No-one can cheat as only adults can add GEMS.

I like the individual little monsters we have - they are cute.

You can't lose GEMS - I used to lose my star card

With GEMS you don't have to count how many you have got, the number is already there on the screen.

I like the GEMS because you can get them for lots of different reasons and you know what they are for.

The noise (that happens when a GEM is awarded) makes everyone sit up and try harder in class.

You can see when people get a GEM on the screen and it lets us celebrate with them.

GEMS are better than stars because you get public recognition for doing good things.

I think the system has been a success and the children are all on board. In fact I haven't heard a single grumble. I look forward to seeing different people earning the awards at the end of the Summer term. Who knows it could be you!

Mrs Cross Executive Headteacher

ParentPay

Could we ask all parents to make sure that there are no outstanding debts on their children's ParentPay accounts. All meals taken, swimming lessons, activities and trips need to be paid for before the end of term. If you need a Paypoint card to pay for school dinners or a barcoded letter for other activities please contact the school office who will be pleased to help.



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

Spot Light on Excellence...

SATs

This time of year is very important in the life of a primary school as our children in Year 2 and Year 6 sit their SATs (Standard Assessment Tests). The tests are used to evaluate your child's educational progress at the end of Key Stage 1 and 2. They make comparisons between children against the average attainment expectations for their respective age group.

Key Stage 1 SATs take place during May of Year 2. The assessments are carried out by the child's teacher and evaluate ability in reading, writing, spelling, handwriting, maths and science. Although the children do sit tests during this time, it is merely an assessment tool for the class teacher who will ultimately decide on the child's overall level.

Key Stage 2 SATs are a more formal process than key Stage 1 and take place in the May of Year 6. The tests cover: reading, grammar, spelling and maths. Writing and science are assessed by the class teacher. The papers are sent away to be marked externally with results being available before your child leaves primary school in July. More able children are teacher assessed to see if they are capable of reaching the higher level.

We have been so proud of the children in both year groups. They have tried their very best and not let the tests get the better of them. Our pupils have persevered and attempted each test with determination and rigor. I would also like to thank all the staff involved in organising, administering and supporting the children during this period of time. A lot of time goes into ensuring we test the children in conditions that will enable them to thrive and not overwhelm them.

Miss McGroarty



IPad App of the week

AstroApp: Space Shuttle Crew
by NASA (FREE)

Get to know all the space travellers who flew on this unique vehicle. You can sort by name and mission.

The "Suit Me Up" feature allows you to become a Space Shuttle astronaut yourself.

Charity Update
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Money raised so far for



£296.72

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



Our Year 5 trip to the Space Centre

On Monday, Year 5 went to the Space Centre. We split into our groups and went to different places when we got there. We had lots of fun, there was soooooo much to do. In one area, we got to be news reporters and our faces were on a big screen.

There was also a virtual reality room where we nearly landed on a planet and almost flew into an erupting volcano. We controlled a little space robot too - I was pretty good at that because I got him to places really quickly.

The planetarium included a 360 degree view of space. It felt strange to see all the planets above me, Year 5 really enjoyed that experience.

I don't really have a favourite part of the trip as I enjoyed it all, honestly. I would recommend this trip because it was so much fun and I learnt a lot about space.

Harvey Year 5



Yesterday Years 1 to 6 visited
Dordon Library, the classes paired up and
enjoyed reading books together. Here is
what Owl class enjoyed about the visit;



"I really liked going to the Library, I liked the part where we got to choose as many books as we liked to read." Kenzie

"The Library had lots of books to choose to read with a partner." Luis



"I had a lot of fun at the Library." Elzie-Mae

"The Library was amazing because we could read any book we wanted." Finley

"I had a magical time reading a book with my partner." May



Cycles and Scooters

PLEASE NOTE: For obvious safety reasons we DO NOT allow bicycles or scooters to be ridden on the school site <u>AT ANY TIME</u>. Younger brothers and sisters are very welcome to come onto the school site to deliver and collect, but should not bring or ride on bicycles or scooters.

Dogs

Please leave dogs at home! However friendly your own dog is, a number of our children are very frightened by them. We do not permit dogs in school at any time (even being carried) and do not allow them to be tied up on the school fences.



@Dordon Primary

Family Food And Fun! It's back! Friday 1st June 11am - 1pm Dordon Village Hall come and join us all for just £1.00 per family Please email jowilliams@warwickshire.gov.uk for a

Dates for your Diary

28/05/18 - 01/06/18 Half term

04/06/18 - Kingfishers Animal Experience

05/06/18 - Y6 Healthy Eating

05/06/18 - Y6 'My Mate Fancies You' at Birchwood

07/06/18 - Y3 & Y6 Road Safety

07/06/18 - Rounders Tournament at Outwoods Primary

08/06/18 - 11/06/18 Manor Adventure

11/06/18 - KS1 Phonics Week

14/06/18 - Storytime 1

18/06/18 - 21/06/18 Book Fair 3.15pm - 4.00pm

21/06/18 - Storytime 2

22/06/18 - Staff Inset Day, School closed to pupils

25/06/18 - Mrs Favell to see Y5

27/06/18 - Grandparents Lunch

27/06/18 - Dordon's Got Talent

28/06/18 - Storytime 3

05/07/18 - Moving Up Day

09/07/18 - Sports Day

10/07/18 - RNLI Water Safety Y1 & Y4

10/07/18 - Show and Share Evening

11/07/18 - North Warwickshire Area Athletics

12/07/18 - Reserve Sports Day

13/07/18 - Non-Uniform Shorts and Shades

18/07/18 - Y6 Leavers Disco

19/07/18 - Y6 Leavers Assembly at 9.00am

20/07/18 - End of term school closes at 1pm

These dates may be subject to change if necessary. Details and times to be confirmed nearer each event.

<u>Last weeks</u> <u>Postcards Home</u>

Peacock = Tillie R

Kingfisher = Oliver

Swan = Jessica

Owl = Lexi

Swift = Jared

Hawk = Alfie

Falcon = Ellie



Dordon Primary School

Dordon Primary School Website

Want to know what's happening in school? Go to

www.dordonprimaryschool.co.uk there is so much information for you from; school policies, newsletters, copies of letters sent home, curriculum pages, events calendar, class pages, lunch menu, sporting events and much more.

Last Week Year Peacock 95.3% 95.2% Kingfisher 98.9% 95% Swan 97.7% 97.2% 95.3% 96.2% 96.3% 99.1% Hawk 95.2% 95.7%

95.2%

96.5%

booking form

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.)

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