



DORDON DELIVERS

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Next Weeks Assembly Theme: Challenges and Victories

Reminder: For the safety of the children the school car park is for staff only during school hours.

What's on Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cross Country Club 12.30-1pm KS2 Football Club 3-4pm KS1 Multi-sports Club 3-4pm			KS2 Summer Sports Club 3-4pm	Celebration Assembly 2.40

Our Office Staff

Being a member of staff within our academy

Our office colleagues are yet another group of 'unsung heroes' who work tirelessly for our schools. Although they are not involved in teaching the children, or having a significant day to day involvement with them, without their 'backroom work' our schools would quite simply grind to a halt.

School offices are extremely busy places. Seldom does our office staff have the opportunity to complete a task uninterrupted and on a daily basis they deal with a deluge of visitors, telephone enquiries, absences, letters and the newsletter as well as handle the majority of cash transactions. Being a member of our office staff requires a very wide range of skills and talents, and we are fortunate to have extremely dedicated people working for us who always give their best and seldom go home on time.

Despite not being in the classroom, our office staff take every opportunity to get involved with the children and life of the school. Not only do many administer first aid and medicines, but they also enjoy visits by the children for registers, dinner money and all manner of notes from staff. Our office staff also take every opportunity to attend school events and are often seen at assemblies, sports days and other activities.

Work in our offices has changed significantly over the past few years, especially as an academy, and this trend will continue. The introduction of new finance packages, Parent Pay and an online school shop, as well as the need to keep abreast of all manner of school reporting systems, will no doubt keep our offices colleagues as busy as ever. I have every confidence that they will meet these challenges with the same professionalism and positivity in the way they always have done.

Mr May
Executive Headteacher

IMPORTANT: Changes to assessment – a 'ramping up' of expectations

This year there have been many changes to the expectations of our children. The national 'goal posts' have been changed and the 'average child' will now be expected to attain at a far higher 'level' than they used to and meet some very tough challenges.

Whilst we are confident that our children can meet the 'new challenges' well, the bar has been sent very high indeed. Parents should be aware that children who previously were graded as 'exceeding national expectations' may now fit closer into what is described as 'meeting national averages'. Be reassured, the children are not 'doing worse', are not failing, and teaching is still fantastic. We are simply being asked to measure them against a far more challenging standard.



Our New Uniform

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

Spot Light on Excellence...

Behaviour

This week has been another brilliant week at Dordon showcasing the fantastic behaviour of our children. The pupils have been co-operating and playing together at lunchtimes and playtimes. Manners are impeccable across school and pupils are demonstrating 'Respect' for the environment and each other making it a lovely place to learn.

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!)

"Really pleased with how my son has progressed this term, in all areas."

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 should you do if someone knocks at your front door and you don't know who they are?'



IPad App of the week

WWF Together by World Wildlife Fund (FREE)

Experience the world's most amazing and endangered animals in one app – together. This interactive experience brings you closer to the stories of elephants, whales, rhinos and other fascinating species. Discover their lives and the work of WWF in a way you've never seen before. Try out "tiger vision" or stay as still as the polar bear during a hunt!



Charity Update

Money raised so far for



£630.39

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

It's nearly here.... 

This resource will allow you to easily pay for all your children's school trips, dinners, music lessons all in one place. Once fully operational, you may wish to decide to pay for school meals in advance, whilst paying for a trip for another child and music lessons for a child in another school, or even your own meals if you work in another setting using ParentPay.

All parents should now have been issued with their own logins for the ParentPay portal. You will soon be able to choose to pay for services our school provides at a time that is convenient for you (as long as it's before the payment deadline). Please log in to ParentPay using the details provided in your personalised letter as soon as possible to get a feel of the fantastic new resource. You will be able get a feel for how the system works at this early stage before we fully transition to ParentPay in September 2016.

If you have not received your personalised letter please contact the school office as soon as possible so they can arrange for it to be reissued for you.

Balances from our existing systems will be transferred once we have closed them down. For example until children have eaten their meals on Friday we won't know the balance that remains on their accounts so these can only be transferred from the following Monday. All parent will receive notification of how much has been transferred and when following the 'Going Live' date.

'Going Live' very soon...

Myths and Legends

A selection of comments and misconceptions we hear

'I never bother reading the newsletter.....'

What a shame! We spend hours creating the newsletter and in over three years have never missed issuing a single edition. All sorts of people, including our brilliant children, contribute to it and it's full of information about what we have been doing and events coming up. We also include regular reminders of school policy so that everyone knows exactly what to expect. If you don't read the newsletter, you will miss out on really vital pieces of information. PLEASE read it every week and if it does not come home you must return to school to collect one or get one from the web site.

Water

IMPORTANT: Apart from at lunchtimes, when children are allowed fruit juice, the only thing permitted in classrooms is pure drinking water. Please do NOT fill water bottles with flavoured water or other drinks, children will not be allowed to drink them.

Crafts & Games at Dordon Library

As part of the village's celebration of the Queens 90th Birthday on Saturday 11th June Dordon Library is holding a Crafts and Games session from 11.30am to 2.00pm. All are welcome!

Dates for your Diary

Summer Term 2016

10/06/16 - 13/06/16 Manor Adventure
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

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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.

Cameo Dance (Est. 2003)

Fun Children's Dance Classes

Ballet * Tap * Acrobatics * Modern

held at the Tithe Barn & Memorial Hall,

Polesworth on Fridays.

Call Liz on 01827 895899 or 07443

421867 - Little Dancers 3-6 Years 4.30-

5.30pm - Juniors 7-11 Years 5.30-7.30pm

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Kingfisher

Kingfisher class have been having lots of fun learning about their new theme "Wild Things!"



"I've really enjoyed making my fairy tale house." Luke

"I like practising my writing, especially about my own stories." Connor

"I've really enjoyed painting our hot and cold pictures." Daniella

"I like learning about the flowers and the trees outside." Kenzie

"I love building our fairy tale adventure maps." Megan

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.

Appointments in School Time

Please avoid taking children out of school during the school day. If children do need to leave school we expect a note in advance signed by a parent. If our office staff do not recognise the person collecting a child, we WILL ask for formal identity. If we are not satisfied we can ascertain who the person is with 100% certainty, children will not be leaving school.

We are now collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers.

Sports Day Reminder

Our Sports Day is on 5th July and Reserve Sports Day on 6th July. Should we be unable to run either of these events because of poor weather there is unfortunately no opportunity to find another event.

Last weeks
Postcards Home
Peacock = Chloe
Kingfisher = Olivia R
Swan = Ben
Owl = Monica
Swift = James
Hawk = Grace
Falcon = Taylor

Attendance

	Last Week	Year
Peacock	95%	96.6%
Kingfisher	95.5%	96.5%
Swan	96%	97.1%
Owl	93.1%	96.5%
Swift	94%	97.2%
Hawk	98.5%	97%
Falcon	94.1%	97.3%



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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.)