

Reminder: The Summer term begins on Tuesday 25th April.

What's on Week beginning 24th April 2017

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Staff development day school closed to pupils | Summer Term begins | 2.30 Free School Meals information on Playground | | Celebration Assembly 2.40 |

Easter Holiday

This week sees the end of the Spring Term. We are two thirds of the way through the school year and the progress that has been achieved in school is phenomenal. January feels like a distant memory and it never fails to amaze me how quickly things move on in school.

It is with regret that we say goodbye to Mr Lewis and Miss Griffiths who are both leaving us today to pursue different career paths. We wish them all the very best for the future in all they do.

After Easter we will be welcoming four new members of staff to our team. Mrs Stallard will be teaching Y4, Miss Rutter in Y1, Mrs Marven and Mrs Thompson who will be supporting children across school with all types of learning. I know the children will be amazing at showing them where everything is and will give them a very warm welcome.

As we approach a holiday, we always take time to remind pupils about their network of trusted adults who they can talk to if there is a problem or they are worried. We also remind them how important it is to stay safe whilst they are out playing with friends particularly as the days get longer and the evenings are lighter. Please take time with your children to reinforce these messages and make sure they know what to do in the event of an emergency.

Thank you for your continued support this half term with story teller sessions, parents evening attendance, IEP meetings and the huge crowds of you who regularly attend our assemblies on a Friday. Your feedback is essential to make sure that we continue to achieve super things for all the pupils in our school.

I hope you have a fantastic Easter and come back to school ready for more exciting challenges after the break,

Mrs Cross
Headteacher



Hawk class enjoying their Roman Banquet

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

Spot Light on Excellence...

Attendance and Lateness

Well done to all the pupils who are still on track for 100% attendance this year. There are 28 pupils in school who haven't missed a session since September.

We are very lucky here that so many parents are supportive of school and regularly send their children to school. It is vital that pupils come to school every day so that they do not get gaps in their learning.

Under new guidance, if a child's attendance drops below 90% they are classed as persistently absent. We track and monitor any pupils who meet this criterion or who are in danger of dropping below that figure.

Thank you for getting your children to school on time. There has been a reduction in the number of lates this term. It is essential that pupils are in school and ready to start learning on time as it sets them up for the whole day.

Mrs Cross



iPad App of the week

Chicktionary for iPad by
Blockdot, Inc (FREE)



Unscramble a roost of letters to make as many words as you can in the given time. Similar to the letters round on Countdown.

Charity Update

Money raised so far for



£403.90

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 our child's progress, it was heart warming to hear such lovely comments."

Who's Who at Dordon Primary

Hello I am Mr Lewis, I have worked in a variety of Schools across the West Midlands. I have taught in KS1 and KS2. I completed my NQT year at Dordon in 2016. I became a teacher because my family have a history of working in schools and child care settings. I am a car enthusiast who loves F1. Currently I am teaching a wonderful year one class full of characters! The best part of my job is seeing children achieve.



This Term's 100% Attendance Stars

- Peacock - Amelia, William, Holly, Edward, Noah S, Amanda and Charlie.
- Kingfisher - Alfie, Thomas, Katrina, Joseph, Dominic, Maisy, Lottie, Lucy-Mae, Ryan and Tallulah-Boo.
- Swan - Charlie, Sophie F, Sophie H, Harvey, Olivia, Kenzie, Billy and Ryan.
- Owl - Olly, Jared, Lydia, Victoria, Finley, Kaiden, Thomas, Maisie, Amelia, Joshua, Ethan and Roshan
- Swift - Clark, Zoe, Tommy and Rani
- Hawk - Louis, Emily, Alex, Isabel, Nevaeh, Ellie, Callum, Jacob, and Luci.
- Falcon - Anastasia, Libby, Annie, Isabelle M, Jay, Amarise, Owen, Kai and Thomas.

Easter Crafts at Dordon Library

On Thursday 13th April between 12.00 and 2.00pm there will be Easter Crafts and Games it is a free event to which all are welcome.

Easter Events at Warwickshire Libraries

Toys and Games Tuesday 11th April Polesworth Library 2.30pm - 4.00pm. Create some homemade toys just like children did in the past and play board games. Make a puppet and peg doll to take home, and bring along your favourite toy.

Awesome Anglo Saxons Friday 21st April Coleshill Library 10.30am - 12.00noon. Discover the Awesome Anglo Saxons and learn about how they lived. Make a timber framed Anglo Saxon house and a glittering brooch to take home.

Library events are FREE: donations to support library. activities welcomed on the day: Tickets must be booked in advance from www.eventbrite.co.uk Search 'event name and location'. Suitable for primary school aged children. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Dates for your Diary

Academic Year 2016-2017

- 24/04/17 - Staff Development Day
- 25/04/17 - Summer Term starts
- 03/05/17 - Owl class to Black Country Museum
- 01/05/17 - Bank Holiday
- 08/05/17 - SAT's Week
- 18/05/17 - School Disco
KS1 4.00-5.00pm
KS2 5.15-6.15pm
- 29/05/17 - 02/06/17 - Half Term
- 09/06/17 - 12/06/17 - Manor Adventure
- 21/07/17 - Term ends school finishes at 1pm

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



We are now collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers.



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Charlotte Kate Cameo Call into the Tithe Barn from 4:30pm on Fridays or Call Liz on 07443421867 to arrange your child's
FREE TRIAL

Kingfisher



Kingfishers have been continuing with their Jolly Postman theme. This was based on the Jolly Postman book written by Janet and Allan Ahlberg. The postman delivers messages to several different fairytale story characters. This has allowed for us to read a different fairytale story each week in order for us to build a better understanding of text, features of different kinds of texts and to develop our reading skills.

"I have really enjoyed the Jolly postman, especially finding the postman's post sack on the playground!" Alfie

"I really enjoyed doing about Hansel and Gretel reading about the gingerbread house covered in sweets and chocolate" Olivia

"I like the Jolly Postman story with all of the letters and invitations inside it." Thomas

"I liked Goldilocks and the Three Bears. She was naughty breaking Baby Bears chair so we wrote a letter to say sorry pretending to be her!" Katrina

"I really liked little Red Riding Hood because it was funny when the Big Bad Wolf dressed as Grandma." Maisy

Knitting Club

Dordon Library Saturday 8th April at 12.30pm

Come and learn to knit or just enjoy knitting with company!!
Have a cup of tea, make new friends and learn a new skill!!

Last weeks Postcards Home

- Peacock = Layla
- Kingfisher = Imogen
- Swan = Sophie H
- Owl = Kristina
- Swift = Libby
- Hawk = Emily
- Falcon = Caelan

Attendance

| | Last Week | Year |
|------------|-----------|-------|
| Peacock | 98% | 96.8% |
| Kingfisher | 99% | 96% |
| Swan | 98.7% | 95.5% |
| Owl | 98% | 97.5% |
| Swift | 90.3% | 95.7% |
| Hawk | 98.2% | 96.8% |
| Falcon | 98.3% | 96.5% |

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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.)