



# DORDON DELIVERS

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**Next Weeks Assembly Theme:** Harvest Festival / Hand washing Day

**Reminder: Can you please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.**

## What's on Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3.00-4.00 KS1 Multi Skills 3.00-4.00 KS2 Football 6.30pm Manor Adventure Parents Meeting	Nasal Flu Immunisations R -Y4 3.00-4.00 KS2 Multi Sports	Dordon Open Morning Hawk class Indoor Athletics at Polesworth Y6 Falconry Display		Staff Inset Day School closed to pupils

## School Attendance

I am very proud of the excellent attendance record our pupils at Dordon have. Our pupils love coming to school to learn and I often hear of children who hate having to miss a day through illness. Many of our children come to school even if they are not feeling 100%. As a result we have made a really good start to this academic year. Please keep up the good work!

It sounds obvious but children are more likely to succeed when they attend school consistently. It is not just about the lessons that are missed when pupils are absent; children also find it very difficult to engage in lessons when they return back to school. Often they will have missed key and important teaching points that would have allowed them to access the next stage of learning.

Good attendance at school is vital for pupils to achieve their full educational potential. Pupils with good attendance records benefit in the following ways:-

- *Continuity of learning which makes progress and retention easier*
- *Enhanced performance in lessons and examinations*
- *Continuity of relationships and friendships with adults and peers*
- *Good habits that are formed for later life*

Children by law must attend school and all schools are required to record details of pupils' attendance and absence at school. We do so at the beginning of each morning and afternoon sessions and within strict time limits. We are also required to report poor attendance.

Our focus is however very much on reward. We encourage children to be on time and attend by giving children lots of praise when they are 'being brave for carrying on' with minor ailments like a cold. We reward 'never lates' and 'good attendance' by giving children certificates on a termly basis, which the children are very proud of. We do however understand that children are sometimes unwell and certainly don't wish children to come into school unwell just to achieve an attendance reward, and for this reason we also include children whose attendance is also very slightly below 100%.

I am also very proud of all the wonderful staff at Dordon. Their attendance rates are brilliant and it is very rare for our staff to have a day off school. On many occasions, I have had to tell staff that they need to go home when they have been unwell. They know how important consistency is and want the very best for all of our pupils. They all work extremely hard and are very tired by the end of the week. Even when they are not feeling 100% themselves, they still manage to smile when in school.

Thank you all for your continued support.

M Cross

Executive Headteacher



**Our House Captains**

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

## Spot Light on Excellence...

Why we promote reading at Dordon!

Reading improves concentration

Children have to sit still so that they can focus on the story when they are reading. If they read regularly, they will develop the skill to do this for a longer period of time.

Reading teaches children about the world around them

Through reading a variety of books, children learn about people, places and events outside of their own experiences.

Reading improves vocabulary and language skills

Children learn new words as they read. Subconsciously, they absorb information about how they could structure sentences and how to use words and other language features effectively in their writing and speaking.

Reading develops a child's imagination

Our brains translate the descriptions we read of people, places and things into pictures. While we are engaged in a story we are also imagining how a character is feeling. Young children then bring this knowledge into their everyday play.

Reading helps children to develop empathy

As children develop they begin to imagine how they would feel in that situation.

Reading is a great way to spend time together

Reading together on the sofa, bedtime stories and visiting the library are just some ways of spending time together.

Children who read regularly generally achieve better results in school

Reading promotes achievement in all subjects, not just English. Children who are good readers tend to achieve better results across the curriculum.

Keep reading Dordon!

Miss McGroarty



## IPad App of the week

Singing Fingers HD by  
Beginner's Mind (FREE)



Lets you finger paint with sound. Just touch the screen while you make a sound and colourful paint appears. Touch the paint to play back the sound again.

## Charity Update

The School Council have chosen Buddy Bag Foundation as this years sponsored charity.

**buddy bag  
foundation**  
making a difference to children in emerging need

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



# New Vacancy



## TEACHING ASSISTANT

Salary: Scale F SCP 17 - 21 £17,772 to £20,139 FTE pro-rata

Contract: Fixed - Term Time Only 39 weeks  
Hours per week: 26.25

Start Date: November 2017  
Interview Date: W/C 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Closing Date: 9.00am Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017

For more information and an application form go to the community section of the school website.

### Contact Information

Could you please ensure that you keep the school office informed of your contact details, especially mobile phone numbers as we often send out information and reminders via the text message service. Any changes of address also need to be reported to the school office as letters to parents and postcards home are sent via royal mail.

### Dates for your Diary

#### Academic Year 2017-2018

- 16/10/17 - Manor Adventure Parent's Meeting 6.30pm
- 17/10/17 - Nasal Flu Immunisations R-Y4
- 17/10/17 - Y3 & 4 Violin and Keyboard Lessons demo
- 18/10/17 - Dordon Open Morning
- 18/10/17 - Hawk class Indoor Athletics at Polesworth
- 18/10/17 - Y6 Falconry Display
- 20/10/17 - Staff Inset Day
- 23/10/17 - 27/10/17 - Half Term
- 30/10/17 - IEP Meetings
- 14/11/17 - Individual Pupil Photographs
- 06/12/17 - Dordon Open Morning
- 22/12/17 - End of term
- 08/01/18 - Spring Term starts
- 08/01/18 - Young Voices Concert
- 19/02/18 - 23/02/18 - Half Term
- 26/02/18 - Staff Inset Day
- 29/03/18 - End of term
- 16/04/18 - Summer Term Starts
- 07/05/18 - Bank Holiday
- 28/05/18-01/06/18 Half term
- 22/06/18 - Staff Inset Day
- 20/07/18 - End of term

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



BINGO - Dordon Village Hall, every Tuesday 2-4pm, cash prizes

All welcome for more information call 024 7632 2048 or just come along A good excuse to get out of the house, meet others over tea and biscuits!

**Halloween Fancy Dress Party**  
**Big Bounce**  
Our Popular Affordable Indoor Bounce Event is Back!  
**Tuesday 24th October**  
Winecote Community Leisure Centre  
Tinkers Green Road, Winecote, B77 5LF

**Unlimited Play on over a dozen Supervised Inflatable & Interactive Games**  
FUN for Ages 5-13 Year Olds  
Prize for best fancy dress  
Bouncy Castles = Slides = Surfboard Ride  
Ultimate Challenge Obstacle Course  
Sports Games = Interactive Speed Game  
Total Wipeout Sweeper Game = Character Visit  
+ Loads more Half Term FUN +  
Checkout our NEW BOOGIE BOUNCE Area

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or [www.thebestfun.co.uk](http://www.thebestfun.co.uk) or call 07721312167  
Admission for Children age 5-13 years - £10 each  
Admission for supervising Adults - £2 each

Children must be accompanied by an Adult - One adult may be responsible for up to 5 children.  
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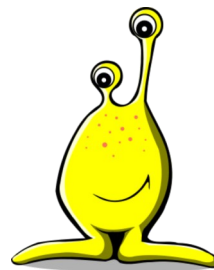


### Dordon Primary School Website

Want to know what's happening in School? Go to [www.dordonprimaryschool.co.uk](http://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.



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Kingfisher class our enjoying their theme 'The Aliens are coming!'

"I really liked learning about planets because they all have different colours and names."  
Amelia

"I loved following instructions to make alien goo sandwiches."  
Hollie

"I liked it when we painted and created our own rockets." Theo

"I loved it when Miss Thorpe set the rockets off in the playground and foam came out!" William

### Visitors to Celebration Assembly

Can we please remind parents that younger siblings are welcome to celebration assembly however we do ask that they do not disrupt the assembly.

Could we also ask that all parents either turn off mobile phones or set them to silent as this can also be distracting for pupils.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

### Think you know how to help protect your kids online?

A worrying aspect of recent work we have completed with parents, is that many say they have a good understanding of on-line safety, yet when they experience one of our sessions, are very surprised to find out how much they actually don't know!

Being on line is like being in the real world. Sometimes stuff happens which feels weird or wrong or 'out of control'.

[www.thinkyouknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkyouknow.co.uk) is a new web site which aims to get young people to share what they DO know and find out if there is stuff they don't know.

### Last weeks Postcards Home

Peacock = Izabella

Kingfisher = Millie-May

Swan = Holly

Owl = Reese

Swift = Finley

Hawk = Ella

Falcon = Jacob

### Attendance

	Last Week	Year
Peacock	97.7%	96.2%
Kingfisher	99.2 %	97.1%
Swan	96.7%	96.7%
Owl	98.7%	98.3%
Swift	96.1%	97.6%
Hawk	94.8%	96.4%
Falcon	99.3%	97.7%



[www.ocado.com/careers](http://www.ocado.com/careers)



### Making business flow

CEVA Logistics, Volkswagen Distribution Centre  
Birch Coppice Business Park, Dordon, Tamworth, B78 1SZ  
Tel: 01827 891100

[www.cevalogistics.com](http://www.cevalogistics.com)



### 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.)