

Next Week's Assembly Theme: Change for life—Healthy eating and exercise / Science Week

Reminder: Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school every day.

What's on Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS1 Multi Skills 3pm-4pm Y5/6 Football Club 3-4pm	Y3/4 Football Club 3pm-4pm	Breakfast Brainiacs 8.00-8.40 Sewing Club 3pm-4pm		Breakfast Brainiacs 8.00-8.40 Celebration Assembly 2.40pm Y3/4 Tennis Club 3pm-4pm

Developing The Arts

As part of our drive to broaden our curriculum, at Dordon, we are looking for opportunities to explore and develop our arts provision in school. The Arts is classed as dance, creative writing, art, music and drama. There are many exciting initiatives in school that promote the Arts to all of our children. We are looking to open doors and show children the opportunities that exist in the creative world.

Music - Owl class have a visiting music teacher each week and have been learning to play different instruments - they are currently learning the ukulele. They are learning to read music and perform together. As a school, we have purchased a new music scheme - Charanga! to support teachers in the delivery of exciting music lessons pitched at age-related expectations. All pupils can choose to have individual music lessons provided by Independent Music Solutions - information is available from the office. Many children also choose to take part in Young Voices - the largest school choir in the world!

Dance - We have curriculum lessons delivered every other half term by Embody. I am sure as parents you have seen the quality work that is produced. Year 6 have been learning a Bollywood dance with the Hippodrome and will have the opportunity to perform on the main stage of the theatre as a culmination of their hard work.

Art - As a school we have welcomed in visiting artists. This week we have had Creaturama in school working with Y1 and Y5 on amazing 3D pieces. We are also working with Dordon Hall Designs on a local art project. Year 2 and Year 5 worked on making Chinese Lanterns as part of the New Year celebrations.

Drama - Reception have been working with the Hippodrome on dramatic performances based on 'Dear Zoo' and Swift class will this week be visiting the Hippodrome to undertake work relating to 'The Worst Witch'.

It is through exposing children to these opportunities that we hope to light a spark of imagination and creativity within the children and give our talented children a chance to shine. Who knows we may have the next stars of stage, screen or gallery within our walls at Dordon. Watch this space!

Mrs M Cross Executive Headteacher



Y1 making Dinosaurs with Creaturama

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

Spot Light on Excellence...

The Library

The library is up and running after an extensive refurbishment over the summer. The space is no longer old-fashioned and dated, instead it is bright, spacious and inviting! Thanks to the hard work of Mrs Price, who has sifted through the books carefully, we now have a well organised library full of texts which will be sure to engage our children.

This week, Mrs Price invited each class into the library. Before the children were issued with a book we reminded each year group how important it was to RESPECT the library and the books they would be taking home. On a personal note, watching my class in the library was a pleasure. They were eager to look through the range of books available and I even saw the children suggesting texts which their friends would like. You know you are doing something right when so many children are that excited to visit the library and take a book home. This was reflected in all classes across school too.

A library is an integral part of school life for our children and we are elated that we have ours back...bigger and better!

Miss McGroarty

Parent's evening 27th and 28th March

This term's Parent's Evening are on Wednesday 27th March from 5.30pm until 8.30pm and Thursday 28th from 3.30pm until 6.00pm, with the SEN team being available to talk to on the Thursday session. The booking system will open on eschools on Wednesday 13th March, if you do not know your parent login please contact the school office who will be happy to help you.



iPad App of the week

Rory's Story Cubes by The Creativity Hub Ltd (£1.49)



Shake to roll the cubes. Can you create a story using the displayed images? Create for developing characters, setting, plot etc for story writing.

Charity Update

Money raised so far

£320.15

NSPCC
Cruelty to children must stop. FULL STOP.

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



World Book Day



Swift class 'The Worst Witch' at Birmingham Hippodrome

On Thursday, Swift Class went to the Hippodrome. First we created potion recipes. When we read out the recipe, we used musical instruments for sound effects! Then we did some drama and pretended to be characters from 'The Worst Witch', using different voices. Finally, we did movement dancing to cast our spells. It was a really fun day.

May

Dates for your Diary

20/03/19 - Y1 & Y5 Fire Safety
 22/03/19 - Reports out to parents
 27/03/19 - Parent's Evening 5.30pm - 8.30pm
 28/03/19 - Parent's Evening 3.30- 6.00pm
 29/03/19 - Y5 & Y6 Author visit
 30/03/19 - Y6 Spirit of Bollywood at Birmingham Hippodrome
 09/04/19 - Show and Share
 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

Hawk class have been lucky enough to work with Creaturama this week:



"On Tuesday Hawk class met an artist named Anthony James and he is a set designer for different films, such as: Star Wars, Doctor Who and Jurassic World. He makes different costumes for things out of cardboard. All of Hawk class enjoyed making Roman things such as: Villas, Forts, Secutors, Centurions and Gladiators! Everyone would love to see him again." Oliver

"We learnt a lot about Romans and junk modelling. I really enjoyed making a Roman shield out of cardboard and drawing the weapons. I can't wait to take it home." Stephanie

"I loved making a model out of junk and sharing my knowledge about the Romans. This is the best school ever." Charlie Constable

"Art day was really fun! We got to meet Anthony James, who made Darleks for Doctor Who! I loved it! We could make anything that was Roman, I made: armour, a helmet, a shield and an axe. It was amazing!!!" Victoria



"I really enjoyed making Roman things! Anthony James was really nice, as we got near to the end he gave prizes to the people who were best at tidying. It was awesome!" Emilian

Attendance

	Last Week	Year
Peacock	98%	94%
Kingfisher	96.3%	95.1%
Swan	98.8%	96%
Owl	100%	97.8%
Swift	96.8%	96.7%
Hawk	90.9%	94.5%
Falcon	97.6%	96.4%

Last weeks Postcards Home

Peacock = Charlie
 Kingfisher = Bentley
 Swan = Noah A
 Owl = Mollyanne
 Swift = Ryan
 Hawk = Roshan
 Falcon = Harvey

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 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.)