

Reminder: Children in Key Stage 1 are provided with a piece of fruit at break time as part of the School Fruit & Vegetable scheme.

What's on Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Peacock class visit to Birmingham Hippodrome	Breakfast Brainiacs 8.00-8.40 Whole School Science Day Grandparents Lunch	Non Uniform wear red for the NSPCC Peacock class trip to Snowdome Y2 & 3 Road Safety The Polesworth School science lesson with Y4 Y5/6 Cross Country at Warton 4.15pm	Breakfast Brainiacs 8.00-8.40 Swan class to Wood End Celebration Assembly 2.40pm

Broad and Balanced Curriculum

At our school, we strive to provide a curriculum that gives our pupils a balanced approach in their learning. We value all of the subjects of the National Curriculum and understand that children in our care have different strengths, skills and talents. As a caring school, we intend to recognise and nurture children's talents and provide vehicles to showcase and develop them.

To support the implementation of our curriculum design, we use the Cornerstones Curriculum which provides exciting theme work during our non-core lessons. The focus of our teaching is very much centred around age related skills but the chosen themes are engaging and allow children to explore a wide range of topics from the Ancient Greeks, to recycling, to World War 2 and many more. Your children will be able to talk about the exciting learning they complete as part of their theme. We also use Cornerstones Love to Celebrate and Love to Investigate to provide interesting learning opportunities in RE and Science. Again, whilst it is engaging, the teaching concentrates on the skills of these subjects and ensures children are gaining age-appropriate skills in a planned sequence.

To further enhance the curriculum we utilise specialists and incorporate trips and visitors to bring our children the best experiences we can. This includes working with visiting artists, having sports coaches to support the teaching in PE, working alongside the Birmingham Hippodrome to enhance performance and visiting a wide range of settings for our school trips.

We are currently in the process of applying for external recognition for our work with The Arts, PE and Science and will keep you updated of our successes. Assessment across school shows pupils are gaining skills in all subjects and are making progress within their age-related expectations. We will once again report this to you in your child's end of year report.

Mrs M Cross
Executive Headteacher



Celebrating Chinese New Year

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

Spot Light on Excellence...

Message from our local MP

We were honoured to receive a letter last month from Craig Tracey, the local MP for North Warwickshire and Bedworth, congratulating us on our Key Stage 2 SATS results in the summer. It acknowledges the hard work that staff and children put into their learning throughout the year. Today we are sending home a copy of the letter with your child as we are very proud and would like to share it with our families.

Miss McGroarty



Non Uniform Day Thursday 14th February

All children will need to pay £1 to come to school in their normal clothes and as it is Valentine's Day we are asking them to 'Wear Something Red' whether that is just a hair bobble or a pair of socks! Please do not buy something new. Payments can be made on Parentpay and all money raised will go to the children's chosen charity of the NSPCC.



iPad App of the week

Bubble Up! by Trivialware
(£1.49 / £0.74 VPP)

Bubble Up is for adding speech bubbles to your pictures, like comics! Bubble Up has multiple bubble shapes and colours to make your photos say anything.



Charity Update Money raised so far

£172.35

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.

British Values

Another of the British Values that is very important in our modern society is



Individual liberty. At school we promote that everyone is different and respect people's choices and decisions. We aim to challenge stereotypes and instil the belief that pupils can be anything they choose to be.

Parent Reminder:

The end of half term Celebration Assembly on Friday 15th February at 2.45pm will be for GEMS certificates and Postcards Home only.

School Car Park

Reminder: To prevent serious accidents to children, please note that parents are NOT permitted to drive and park on the school site during the school day i.e. between 8.30am and 5.00pm. In exceptional circumstances parents may use the car park but only if they have received permission from school.

Parent Drop-In

**Parent drop-in February 15th
@ 10:00 am - 11:30 am**

Are you the parent or carer of a young person with SEND? Would you like to connect with other families of children or young people with SEND? We are holding monthly drop-ins, at our Warwick base, for families to call in for a coffee and chat. Specialist teachers from SEND Supported will be on hand to answer your questions or steer you towards further sources of help and advice. Just go to <https://sendsupported.com/event/autism-parent-drop-in-5/> fill in the form and a member of the team will be in touch to confirm your free place.

Dates for your Diary

18/02/19 - 22/02/18 Half Term Week
25/02/19 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
26/02/19 - Term resumes for pupils
05/03/19 - Creaturama artist to work with Y5
06/03/19 - Creaturama artist to work with Y1
07/03/19 - World Book Day
07/03/19 - Y4 to Birmingham Hippodrome
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
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.

Swan

On Wednesday Swan class enjoyed making lanterns to celebrate the Chinese New Year with Mrs Handy from the Birmingham Hippodrome:



"I liked using the sparkly things to decorate my lantern." Lexi

"I liked everything." Declan

"I liked decorating the handles." Theo

"I liked drawing patterns on it." Michael

"I liked cutting the patterns." Jack

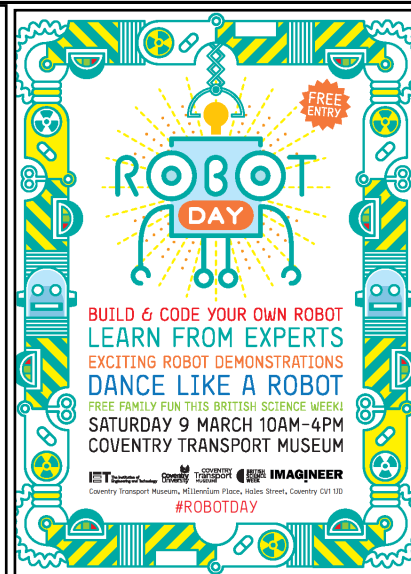
"I liked decorating it." Hollie

"I liked putting the gems on." Elliott

"I liked adding the sticky patterned tape." William

Goodbye to Mr Kettle

Today we say goodbye to our caretaker Mr Kettle, he has been a member of staff for 11 years at Dordon Primary. We wish him all the best for his retirement.



Attendance

	Last Week	Year
Peacock	90%	93.7%
Kingfisher	92%	94.8%
Swan	91.3%	96%
Owl	96.3%	97.7%
Swift	95.2%	96.8%
Hawk	92.4%	94.8%
Falcon	95.5%	96.1%

Last weeks

Postcards Home

Peacock = Clara

Kingfisher = Ryan

Swan = Max

Owl = Olivia

Swift = Leon

Hawk = Finley

Falcon = Kacper



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.)