



6th May 2016

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

Next Weeks Assembly Theme: Honesty

What's on Next Week							
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
Y6 SATs tests			Y6 SATs tests				
Cross Country Club 12.30-1pm	Y6 SATs tests	Y6 SATs tests	Hawk class trip to Eyam Museum	Celebration Assembly 2.40			
KS2 Football 3-4pm KS1 Multisports 3-4pm KS1 Word Wizards 3-4pm			KS2 Athletics 3-4pm				

### Stranger Danger

Ensuring that we do our very best to keep children safe

We are immensely proud of our excellent record for keeping our children safe. Parents, Governor and other visitors to the school describe our work in this area as 'outstanding' and told us that our children feel very safe in school and are very well looked after.

We complete a great deal of this work in this area in the background. Apart from maintaining an excellent level of physical security, we also carry out regular reviews ranging from us asking 'unfamiliar friends' to attempt to 'breach security' to daily site checks and monitoring sessions. At each weekly staff meeting 'safeguarding' is a 'standing item' and we also regularly remind all of our colleagues of their responsibility.

We do not however 'guarantee' absolute security. Schools are not military establishments, we don't have security guards and we need to make sure that we are accessible to literally hundreds of individuals every single day. We also need to make sure that our environment is inspiring, exciting and loved by our children. A prison we are not! In schools our aim is to reduce risk to an absolute minimum by making sure we restrict entrances, ensure adults in school are 'DBS checked', children are always supervised, reminding parents not to drop children off early or collect late and all manner of other measures. Vigilance is tested regularly and is always reported as a significant strength.

Perhaps our greatest weapon is however in being 'proactive' by teaching children how to cope with or avoid 'danger'. If children can avoid problems and are taught how to deal with them, they will significantly reduce the chances of getting themselves in trouble and will remain safe. Each week we provide a 'keeping safe reminder'; we have regular assemblies about 'safety' and teach children that when in trouble they DO NOT avoid 'strangers' but find the 'safest stranger'.

Over the next few weeks, in common with many schools locally, we will be talking to the children about our emergency procedures in case of an incident such as an unknown person being on site, or a local incident such as a factory fire. We always tackle issue of this nature with absolute sensitivity, making sure our messages are appropriately age related and use our years of experience working with children to ensure that we do not worry them.

Mr Mav Executive Headteacher

> Our vision is to provide children with Rich Opportunities, Memorable Experiences

We are now collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers.



Learning through play in Peacock class

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

# Spot Light on Excellence...

What a week of excitement the pupils in Swift class have had I have seen the children making pots and masks using papier maché. Their books are lovely and the pupils have stopped me to tell me all about their learning. This morning, they had a belated tea party for reaching their reading target as a class. Keep up the fantastic work!

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!)



"I'm really pleased with how well my son has settled into his new class. Thank you so much for making him feel so welcome."

# 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

# 'If you go out shopping and lose your adult, what would you do?'



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Coming Soon.....



As you know we are currently finalising our bespoke ParentPay online payment system. 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.

Remember - All this in one quick and easy transaction at a time that is convenient for you. No more writing separate cheques for each different purchase or sending children into school with an envelope of cash if you can't make it into school.

Watch this space for further exciting updates...

## 'Bump Notes'

Every single school day a child has a 'bump or bash'. They fall over in the playground, walk into another child, knock themselves, graze a knee etc. We DO NOT send a 'bump note' home every time this occurs, indeed there is no legal requirement for a school to do so. Instead we make an assessment of the 'accident' and inform parents if we feel it is

serious enough to warrant a note.

#### Dates for your Diary

Summer Term 2016 09/05/16 - SATs Week 12/05/16 - Hawk visit to Eyam Museum 17/05/16 - Class Photographs 17/05/16 - Mini Tennis at Polesworth 19/05/16 - Falcon to Holocaust Centre 20/05/16 - Quad Kids at Polesworth 25/05/16 - Swan class Pirate Day 26/05/16 - Swan Infant Agility 26/05/16 - School Disco 30/05/16 - 03/06/16 - Half Term 10/06/16 - 13/06/16 Manor Adventure 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 Academic Year 2016-2017 05/09/16 - Staff Development Day 06/09/16 - Autumn Term starts 21/10/16 - Staff Development Day 24/10/16 - 28/10/16 - Half Term 16/12/16 - Term ends school

finishes at 1pm 03/01/17 - Staff Development Day 04/01/17 - Spring Term Starts 20/02/17 - 24/02/17 - Half Term 07/04/17 - Spring Term ends 24/04/17 - Staff Development Day 25/04/17 - Summer Term starts 29/05/17 - 02/06/17 - Half Term 21/07/17 - Term ends school finishes at 1pm



Warwickshire County Caterers Have a vacancy for a FOOD SERVICE ASSISTANT In Dordon Primary school

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Matt Bartram





"This term we are learning about the Shang Dynasty, which is in China and we have made Chinese masks. I really loved it." Kacey

"I am really enjoying this term because it is all about history and it's really fun. What I liked doing the most was the oracle bones and papier maché masks." Oliver

"I think our topic is amazing we are learning about the Shang Dynasty and today we have made a Chinese face mask it was amazing. We have also made some Chinese Dings." Luci

## Myths and Legends

A selection of comments and misconceptions we sometimes face

#### 'It doesn't matter if my child arrives early for school'

It certainly does! Children should not arrive on site before 8.30am, the reason being that there are no staff on duty until this time. There are excellent before and after school care facilities available on site should parents wish to make use of these.

#### Vacancy at Jack & Jill Before and After School Club

Due to the rise in children, Jack and Jill Before and After School Club is looking for an enthusiastic member to join the team part time. You must be level 3 qualified and be willing to undergo a DBS check. Please contact 01827 899551 and ask for Carly or Sarah for more details. Closing date is 20th May and interviews will take place after the half term holiday.

## **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 roval mail.

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	Attendance					
<u>Last weeks</u>	*		-			
Postcards Home	* *	Last Week	Year			
Peacock = Lottie	Peacock	96.7%	97%			
Kingfisher = Olivia	Kingfisher	90.3%	96.6%			
Swan = Hollie	Swan	97%	97.2%			
<i>Owl</i> = <i>Clark</i>	Owl	95.2%	96.8%			
Swift = Isabel	Swift	95.4%	97.3%			
Hawk = Lori	Hawk	86.3%	96.9%			
Falcon = Ashley	Falcon	98.3%	97.3%			
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***	Peacock Kingfisher Swan Owl Swift Hawk Falcon	96.7%	97%					
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***	Swan	97%	97.2%					
****	Owl	95.2%	96.8%					
<b>★</b> ★★	Swift	95.4%	97.3%					
^★★*	Hawk	86.3%	96.9%					
<b>★</b> ★★	Falcon	98.3%	97.3%					
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	Jack & Jill Preschool Before							
	and After School Club							
	Breakfast Club 7 45-8 35am							

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