



DORDON DELIVERS

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

What's on Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Health and Wellbeing taster sessions (Y4 and Y5) KS1 Hockey Club 3-4pm Y5/6 Cricket Club 3-4pm	Young Voices children leave at 1:00pm return at approx. 10pm	Y3/4 Dodgeball Club 3-4pm KS2 Musical Theatre Club 3.00 - 4.15pm		2.40pm Celebration Assembly

The Curriculum

This week the staff have been busy reviewing our curriculum and ensuring we maximise the skills being taught to secure the best standards. In our schools, we want to develop well-rounded individuals who find the skills and subject they enjoy and excel in.

As part of this review, we are looking to develop timetable flexibility so that we maximise the time within the school week to secure the best outcomes. This will mean that children may do science for a whole day or a block of days on a technology project. As a result of this we will no longer be sending a timetable out at the start of each half term because the timetable is likely to change on a weekly basis— depending on how the teacher is choosing to deliver subjects for the week. We will of course ensure that all subjects are covered in the appropriate depth and nothing will be missed from our curriculum.

As parents, we will post on the class page on E-schools which days your child will have PE so please ensure their kit is in school on these days.

This is an exciting time where learning will come to life and be even more meaningful to our children. We are looking to embed the core skills of English and maths through other subjects. I am sure the children will be able to tell you all about it over the coming months.

Mrs M Cross
Executive Headteacher



@DordonPrimary Follow us!

Don't forget to log into eSchools to see what is happening on your children's class pages. The eSchools 'app' is available for you to download from the Apple or Google Play stores. The app will allow you to receive text notifications directly from the school to your mobile device.

If you are having any problems with activating your parent eSchools account please contact the school office, as you will need it for the online booking system for Parents Evening.

Make sure your children also know how to log into eSchools at home as homework is also set on the learning platform.

Spot Light on Excellence...



Uniform

Here at Dordon we pride ourselves on our presentation. This week, I would like to draw your attention to the power of school uniform and being impeccably dressed. There are many reasons why staff at Dordon are expected to monitor school uniform and ask children if they are not in the correct attire:

Why is school uniform important?

Reputation

Uniform is a vehicle for upholding the school's reputation. Locals will instantly be able to recognise what school a child is from just by looking at their clothing. Therefore, each individual is a reflection on the school. Needless to say, it will send a positive message if pupils look smart and are all dressed the same. We also expect our children to wear black shoes at Dordon. Of late, we have noticed black pumps/trainers appearing in school, this does not follow school policy and will be addressed by staff.

Life skills

It is our job to prepare pupils for adult life. There are few occupations where people won't have to obey some sort of dress code. Office workers usually dress in business attire, whereas public services – like the police, NHS and fire brigade – all wear instantly recognisable uniforms. Therefore, we are teaching our children valuable lessons and rules about life and the workplace.

Removes strain on parents

We also recognise that uniform also makes life easier for parents. When there's a firm dress code in place, mums and dads won't have to supervise their children as they get dressed in the morning. They also won't have to bulk up their children's wardrobes with outfits for each day of the week.

The reasons above outline why we have high expectations of how our children look at school. If they do not have the correct uniform we ask that parents write a letter to their child's class teacher to let them know why. Dordon has grown in popularity over the years and that is because we aim high in all that we do.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss McGroarty



IPad App of the week

Island Chase Subtraction by Arcademics
(£0.69 / £0.34 VPP)



Island Chase Subtraction is a multiplayer racing game that allows students from anywhere in the world to race one another while practicing their subtraction facts. Your jet ski's speed is determined by how fast you answer the addition problems.

Charity Update

Money raised so far



£175.00

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

ParentPay

Could we ask all parents to make sure that there are no outstanding debts on their children's ParentPay accounts. All meals taken, swimming lessons, activities and trips need to be paid for as soon as possible. If you need a Paypoint card to pay for school dinners or a barcoded letter for other activities please contact the school office who will be pleased to help.

Have you lost something??

Our lost property bins are currently overflowing with uniform, PE kits, shoes, coats and water bottles. If you are missing any items belonging to your child please come to the school office at the end of the day to have a look.

Please label all belongings to avoid this situation.

Falcon

Falcon class visited the Polesworth School this week to see their performance of 'The Addams Family'.

'I liked all of the props and costumes because they had a lot of detail in them.' - Oliver Y6



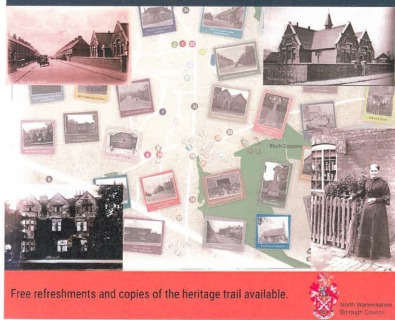
'I loved the performance. When I go up to Polesworth, I will definitely give acting a go! My favourite part was when someone went to the moon. It was amazing.' - Victoria Y6

'I couldn't believe my eyes watching all of the amazing singing and acting. It was one of the best plays I have ever seen.' - Sayan Y6

'I thought it was amazing because everyone who took part in it did their part really well even though it was just the dress rehearsal.' - Maisie Y6

DORDON HERITAGE TRAIL

Come and discover Dordon's Past! Get your free copy of the heritage trail, walk part of the trail route and add to the archive by bringing your own photos.



Free refreshments and copies of the heritage trail available.

Governor Vacancy



Birchwood Primary School are seeking to recruit quality Community Governors to join their Local Governing Body.

We are looking for people who have the skill to act as a 'critical friend' and ask challenging questions about performance and use their skills and experience to support the school in addressing its aims. You will be involved in creating and developing a strategic plan for the school, setting and agreeing its objectives, and monitoring and evaluating its success by focusing on progress and outcomes. Your role will also include collectively allocating and controlling the school budget as well as being influential in the appointment of staff.

If you are over 18, able to commit approximately 10-15 hours per term to the role we would be delighted to hear from you. You do not need to be a parent of a student at the school. No prior knowledge is needed - training and support is offered and available to all new and existing governors.

This is an extremely rewarding role, one which holds great importance within our school and trust. If you feel that you have skills which could be transferred to help make a real difference to children's lives, please contact us for further information.

The closing date for expressions of interest is Friday 31st January 2020, 12pm.

For further information please contact:
Mrs Julie Woodward, PA to the Executive Director
Community Academies Trust, Dimbleby House
Stoneydelph Primary School
Crowden Road
Tamworth
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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

27/01/20 - Open the Book Assembly
28/01/20 - Young Voices Concert
05/02/20 - Family Lunch
17/02/20 - 21/02/20 Half Term
24/02/20 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
25/02/20 - Term resumes
05/03/20 - World Book Day
20/03/20 - Reports out to Parents
24/03/20 - Parents' Evening Late
26/03/20 - Parents' Evening Early
03/04/20 - End of Term school finishes at 3.00pm
20/04/20 - Summer Term begins
08/05/20 - Bank Holiday
25/05/20 - 29/05/20 - Half Term
01/06/20 - Term resumes
19/06/20 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
17/07/20 - 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.

Attendance

	Last Week	Year
Peacock	97.9%	94.5%
Kingfisher	94.8%	92.9%
Swan	96.3%	94.9%
Owl	97.1%	95.4%
Swift	98.5%	97.4%
Hawk	99.4%	95.0%
Falcon	97.5%	95.0%

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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.)