

**Next Week's Assembly Theme:** Growth mindset / Martin Luther King Day

**Reminder:** Please keep the school office informed of updates to mobile telephone numbers. Thank you.

## What's on Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Reception and Y6 height and weight Y1 and Y5 Road Safety IEP Meetings KS2 Musical Theatre Club 3.00 - 4.15pm	Census Day Lunch Menu	2.40pm Celebration Assembly

## Welcome Back

As I said at the Christmas performances this year, I cannot quite believe we are in the year 2020. I have no idea where time goes! I hope you all had a safe and happy holiday and are excited about all the challenges that lie ahead in the new year.

I could write about new year's resolutions, but I don't personally set any. For me, as someone who works in school, my new year is September and that is often when I vow to make changes. I have however reflected over the holiday and this term will continue to be a time where we drive for improvements, secure progress and embed the changes we have made in recent months. The Spring Term for me is the one where the most progress is made. The children are settled in their class routines, we don't have any major events to plan for and we can just focus on our core purpose- educating children.

All the information about the term ahead will be found in our weekly newsletter, through Twitter, through Facebook and our website.

Please follow us on Twitter - @DordonPrimary and @WoodEndPrim. This is the platform I use to tweet children's work, our successes in school and key messages. It would be great if you could like our Facebook page - just search for the school name and it should appear in the menu. I use this platform to share key information about events in school and also in the school community.

All of the key dates for the Spring Term are available on the calendar on the school website. Please make sure you are aware of key dates.

Parents evening this term will be held on **Tuesday 24th March** and **Thursday 26th March**. Please keep the dates available.

One of the key areas we will be focussing on this term is lateness. There were over 300 lates in the Autumn Term. This is far too many and exceeds the national average. It is unacceptable to be regularly late for school. Our expectation is that children are on the playground from 8:30am ready to enter school at 8:40am. Senior leaders will be contacting parents where lateness is an issue and we will expect to see a marked improvement in the Spring Term.

I look forward to the remainder of this academic year and sharing with you more of the excellent work that goes on in school. As always if you have any worries or concerns, please do not hesitate to come into school and discuss them.

Mrs M Cross  
Executive Headteacher



Falcon class enjoying their visit to the Hippodrome

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

## Spot Light on Excellence...

Yesterday, Year 6 visited The Hippodrome to perform their circus skills act. Of course I am biased, but they were amazing and represented Dordon superbly. Two other schools attended and all of the children performed their interpretation of 'Circus' to one another. One school shared a snippet of their Christmas performance and the other school showed us a selection of circus skills they had been working on.

As many Year 6 parents already know - when they came to watch Falcon class perform in school - the children's work included: juggling, gymnastics, clowns, a ringmaster and tightrope walkers! The beauty of the work the children do with The Hippodrome and our instructor Craig, is at the start of the workshops some children can be reluctant to take part because it is out of their comfort zones. However, by the end of the sessions the children always embrace what they have created and are proud to show it off.

All the schools who took part yesterday were truly brilliant, but I was very proud to hear children from the other schools make such positive comments about what Dordon had produced. This showed that all of Falcon class put 100% into their performance and that is all I could possibly ask for.

This term, Year 1 will be working with The Hippodrome on The Rainbow Fish and Year 5 will be looking at We Will Rock You. Watch this space for more outstanding outcomes.

Miss McGroarty



### IPad App of the week

Future Voices by Inkle (FREE)

From the creators of the Frankenstein

app comes an anthology of 11 new interactive short stories, by writers from all around the world. As you read each story, you make the choices that determine how the story will continue.



### 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.

### Whole school to see 'Snow White' at the Birmingham Hippodrome

Please can you make sure that you have returned your child's permission form for the whole school trip to see 'Snow White' on Friday 24th January. Many of you have taken advantage of paying for this in instalments and we would like to remind parents that it needs to be paid in full by Friday 17th January.

As we will be having an early lunch that day the school kitchen will only be able to offer the blue sandwich option however children will have the choice of ham or cheese. Children will also need to bring a healthy snack for the performance interval.

## Falcon

Yesterday Y6 really enjoyed performing their Circus Skills at the Hippodrome:



*"I enjoyed watching other schools and seeing what different things were in their performance."* Gemma

*"I liked how so many people said nice things about us."* Max

*"My favourite part was that we got to perform in front of other schools and then watch their performances."* Stephanie

*"Craig has taught us to become good actors and it's a good opportunity to perform in front of other schools."* Oliver

*"I really enjoyed trying something new and Craig helped me improve my confidence."* Honey

*"My performance skills have improved because I can listen to the music and know when to move to the beat."* Corey

**Dordon Community Cafe**  
DORDON VILLAGE HALL

**COME AND JOIN US FOR A HEALTHY HOME COOKED MEAL IN THE VILLAGE HALL PAY AS YOU FEEL!**

FRIDAY 10TH JANUARY 2020  
FOOD SERVED FROM 4.30 PM TO 5.30 PM

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### 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.



### Leicester Tigers School Offer

Leicester Tigers are offering you special prices to experience the thrill of a live Gallagher Premiership match at Welford Road!

**Leicester Tigers v Wasps**  
**Saturday, February 15, 3.00pm kick-off.**

Our special offer prices for this match:

**Standing: Adults £15, U18's £6**  
**Seated\*: Adults from £20, U18's from £8**

Share this with your friends and family for a fun day out!

There will be a variety of FREE activities to join in with before kick-off, so head down early to enjoy what's on offer, including free access to our VIP Junior Tigers Club.

Your Discount Code:

**WASSCH20**

To purchase tickets use the above code at the checkout, or call the ticket office on 0116 319 8888 (option 2) quoting the offer code.

Please note, if you are booking as a group, in order to sit together you will need to book in one transaction.  
\* Only available in Cat 4 and 5

0116 319 8888 (option 2)  
leicester.tigers.com/groupdays

**Census Day Launch into Lunch Space Menu**  
Thursday 16th January 2020

**Shooting Stars Shaped Fish in Breadcrumbs**  
or  
**(v) Nebula Noodles with Veggie Bolognese Sauce**  
Moonwalk Wedges, Cosmic Corn, Solar Salad and Blast off Beans

**(v) Black Hole Chocolate Brownie**  
or  
**(v) Meteor Storm Swirl Mousse**

**THE NUTRI GANG**

### Cycles and Scooters

PLEASE NOTE: For obvious safety reasons we DO NOT allow bicycles or scooters to be ridden on the school site **AT ANY TIME**. Younger brothers and sisters are very welcome to come onto the school site to deliver and collect, but should not bring or ride on bicycles or scooters.

### Dates for your Diary

22/01/20 - Y3 Dodgeball Competition at Kingsbury  
24/01/20 - Whole School to see Snow White at Birmingham Hippodrome  
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	81%	93.9%
Kingfisher	71.2%	92.5%
Swan	88.7%	94.6%
Owl	93.6%	95.3%
Swift	88.9%	97.2%
Hawk	87.4%	95.1%
Falcon	82.8%	94.9%

### Last weeks

#### Postcards Home

Peacock = Howard

Kingfisher = Isla

Swan = Joey

Owl = Theo

Swift = Holly

Hawk = Sophie K

Falcon = Jamie

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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.)