

DUNANNIE FRIDAY LETTER

11th October 2019



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We often take for granted the very things
that most deserve our gratitude.



Dear Parents

It has been a wonderful week at Dunannie with much to celebrate and be thankful for. The perfect opportunity to show our gratitude was at our Harvest Festival Assembly on Wednesday. I would like to thank you all for coming and for your generous donations to the Petersfield Food Bank. Some of the children decorated their boxes which added to the abundant display that the fabulous FODs team put together in The Well. Thank you to everyone who took part and special thanks to Terry Doubleday and Reverend John Owen for speaking at our special assembly.

We also enjoyed a very delicious Harvest Lunch provided by our wonderful catering team which we were luckily able to enjoy outside thanks to the dry and bright autumnal day. Enjoying a meal together outside in the fresh air was a wonderful way to celebrate the amazing array of delicious produce we are fortunate to have access to in this country.

On Thursday we celebrated International Day across the Three Schools. Having met some of our international Bedales students on Monday in our assembly, the children were aware of the many different languages spoken around the world, not to mention different cultures, including the type of food that we eat and the way we live. Some more Bedales students also came down on International day to help teach the Japanese Soran Bushi dance. Thank you for helping your children to dress up for the occasion - there were some very impressive costumes and the day really helped everyone to feel part of a wider community. Thank you to Tristan Wilson, Head of Bedales Languages for helping to organise this event.

On **Tuesday 15th**, we will be taking part in 'The Big Draw' which is an initiative that runs throughout October encouraging us **all** to draw. We will be asking the children to create self portraits and parents are welcome to do the same if they wish to join us. We will be inviting parents to draw themselves between 8.30 and 9.30 on Tuesday 22 October.

Next week, Year 3 are participating in the Three Schools Concert. This is always a wonderful event and is open to everyone so if you would like to go along, you can book a ticket by visiting the Events section of the website - <https://www.bedales.org.uk/event/three-schools-concert-0> It takes place in the Lupton Hall at 7.30pm on **Thursday 17th October**.

On **Friday 18th**, Year 2 are going on a trip to Portsmouth Harbour and Dockyard where they will be visiting HMS Victory to learn about the crew and their lives on board the ship. Please remind your child to wear their red hoodies and waterproofs, and bring a water bottle and a small rucksack too.

The rest of the school will have the pleasure of watching the Block 1 Play dress rehearsal on Friday afternoon. This year their play is 'Seussical the Musical' which I am sure will be a hugely fun production. Tickets are available to book should you wish to go to either the evening performance on Friday 18th October 7-8pm or the matinee performance from 12-1pm on Saturday 19th. Please contact Dunhurst reception for tickets dunhurstreception@bedales.org.uk

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A few housekeeping items to mention. It has been taking the footballers a few minutes to get down to and return from the Bedales Sports Hall on a Tuesday. Therefore, from next Tuesday, please could parents collect their children at **4.45pm from the Dunannie foyer after football**. This will allow them more time to enjoy the session.

Please could I also bring your attention to our Dunannie BE Rules; BE Kind, BE Gentle, BE a Good Listener, BE Respectful, BE Hardworking, BE Honest. Please also apply these rules and the Orchard Den Rules when children are playing in the orchard **after school**. It is very important that we are consistent and keep the children safe and happy at Dunannie at all times. Thank you for your support.

Please remember that we finish for half term on Wednesday 23rd October at 2.30pm so there will be no after-school activities that day, including Swallow Club. If you need to contact the Swallow Club team after school please call the **Swallow Club Mobile: 07826 870663**.

On a final note I am delighted to announce that Kirsty Batchelor will be joining as the Medical Matron at Dunhurst and Dunannie after half term. Kirsty is currently Matron at Prebendal School Chichester and holds a National Diploma in Social Care as well as the Boarding Schools Certificate in Professional Practice for Matrons. We look forward to her joining our team on 6th November.

Have a lovely relaxing weekend.

Best wishes
Victoria

Dunannie Celebrate Harvest Festival



SPECIAL DUNANNIE MOMENTS

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Nursery trying the cello with Alexa!

Reception enjoying gymnastics with Karen, playing with ribbons, skipping ropes and hoops.



Year 1 measured the height of the hombeam in the playground using a method they were shown at RHS Wisley. They walked away from the tree and stopped when they could see the top of it when looking between their legs. They then measured the distance back to the bottom of the trunk using meter sticks and trundle wheels.

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Year 2 history detectives looking at clues to find out about Blackbeard, the pirate.



Year 3 enjoyed willow weaving and learning lots of new facts about trees at Wisley last Friday.



NOTICES & ACHIEVEMENTS

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Date	Starts	Finishes	Description
15/10/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
17/10/2019	19:30	21:00	Three Schools Concert (Year 3 taking part)
18/10/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Dance
18/10/2019	09:00	15:30	Year 2 Trip to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard
21/10/2019	02:15	17:00	Year 3 - Netball Match v St Ives (A)
22/10/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
23/10/2019	14:30	14:30	Dunannie Half Term begins
04/11/2019	08:30	08:30	Dunannie Term Starts
05/11/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
08/11/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Dance
08/11/2019	18:00	19:30	Dunhurst (Bonfire & Fireworks)
12/11/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
12/11/2019	15:45	16:15	Dunannie Performers' Platform
12/11/2019	16:00	18:00	Dunannie Parents Evening
14/11/2019	13:30	17:00	Year 3 - Netball Match v The Royal (A)
14/11/2019	14:30	15:30	Dunannie Netball v The Royal
14/11/2019	18:00	20:00	Dunannie Parents Evening
15/11/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Dance
19/11/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
22/11/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Dance
22/11/2019	09:00	11:00	Dunannie Christmas Production Tech Rehearsal
22/11/2019	13:00	15:00	Dunannie Flu Vaccinations
22/11/2019	19:30	22:00	Dunannie FOD Fund Raising Event
25/11/2019	09:00	11:00	Dunannie Christmas Production Dress Rehearsal
25/11/2019	14:30	15:30	Dunannie Netball v St Ives
26/11/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
27/11/2019	09:30	10:30	Dunannie - Christmas Production
28/11/2019	09:30	10:30	Dunannie - Christmas Production
29/11/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Dance
02/12/2019	13:45	14:45	Dunannie Grandparent's Day
02/12/2019	14:30	17:00	Year 3 - Netball Match v Ditcham (A)
03/12/2019	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
05/12/2019	09:00	09:30	Dunannie Nursery & Reception Christmas Concert
05/12/2019	09:30	10:30	Cinderella Pantomime (Dunannie Years 1-3)
06/12/2019	12:00	12:30	Dunannie Christmas Lunch
06/12/2019	13:00	13:00	Dunannie Term Ends

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Martha's Eco Tip of the Week

NO TIME TO WASTE

FOOD MATTERS

FOOD FACT

The UN's World Food Programme has an app called *ShareTheMeal*, where users can tap to give 35p and pay for a meal for someone suffering from hunger. So far, users have bought over 44.8m meals!

POLL OF THE WEEK

Do you think your family wastes too much food?
first.news/polls

you should've eaten me

istock



Janet King and Caroline Shanley Swim
School at Bedales, Petersfield



Parent and Baby Classes

Introducing children to water at a young age to prevent the fear of water developing later. Also helps to improve balance and coordination.

30 Min Private Lessons (Spaces now available)

Private lessons are tailored for all ages and abilities from pre-school onwards.

Small Group Lessons

Group lessons are tailored to cater for all ages and abilities from pre-school onwards.

Rookie Lifeguard

RLSS Rookie Lifeguard teaching vital skills in a fun way.

Diving

Flip'n'Fun diving from the side of the pool and using blocks to improve the children's confidence.

Contact Janet or Caroline on 07970442247, 07515342938 Or janetandcarolineswimschool@gmail.com

ALL SCHOOL EVENTS

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Friday 18 October, 7.30pm: Private filming of 'Romantic Road' with introduction and Q&A by Rupert and Jan Grey, Lupton Hall

Rupert and Jan Grey are well known to Bedales. Their three daughters were students here and the youngest, Carmody, also taught philosophy at Bedales for some years. They are an inspiring couple who have combined successful careers in law, photography and the probation service with family expeditions to remote parts of the world including the heart of Borneo, the high Pamirs, the Arctic tundra and the great mangrove swamps by the Bay of Bengal.

'[Romantic Road](#)' is a film of their latest adventure and produced by Sharon Stone. We join Rupert and Jan motoring across rural India in their battered 1936 Rolls Royce, falling into company with tea-wallahs and maharajahs, dodging tribal conflicts and battling with border-officials to get to a photography and human rights festival in Bangladesh.

Please join us for a special screening of 'Romantic Road' introduced by Rupert Grey and followed by a question and answer session with him and Jan about the making of the film. Generously, the Greys have asked that all proceeds go towards the John Badley Foundation.

Cost: £16 to include drinks and Indian snacks. Please reserve your place by emailing parents@bedales.org.uk

Thursday 28 November, 7pm: Parents' Christmas Supper, The Polish Club, London

It's back! After the success of last year's event, we are returning to The Polish Club for a very special evening to which parents from all three Bedales schools are warmly invited. The Ballroom of the Polish Club will be transformed as some of Bedales' best musicians provide a wonderful musical backdrop whilst you enjoy an evening of delicious food, wine and friendships (new and old).

The evening will start with cocktails from 7pm followed by a delicious three course dinner and some entertainment thrown in by some of our talented students. There may even be an early Christmas present too....

Cost: the cost for the evening, to include drinks and supper, will be £50 per person. We hope the timing allows those of you coming from outside London to get trains home in good time and for others wishing to prolong the evening to visit the Club's excellent bar after dinner.

Venue: The Polish Club, 55 Exhibition Road, London, SW7 2PN. To reserve your place please email parents@bedales.org.uk by 1 November.



Friday 6 December, 10.30am: Christmas Wreath Workshop with Hector and the Fox, Rogate

The final parents' social event for the Autumn term allows you not to only enjoy a morning at the magical home of Hector and the Fox but also leave with your very own stunning Christmas wreath with which to impress friends and family over the Christmas season. And all in time to collect your children from school at the end of term. You can't say we don't try.

Hector and the Fox are based at their beautiful, historic home in Stedham, a twenty-minute drive from Bedales in the heart of stunning West Sussex. They are well known locally for their originality, flair and knack of putting nature at the centre of life whether it is in the kitchen cooking delicious seasonal food or using nature to transform their home into an oasis of beauty and style.

Cost to be confirmed shortly. Please reserve your place by emailing parents@bedales.org.uk