

WEDNESDAY LETTER

13th February 2019



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Dear Parents

You will find attached to this 'Wednesday letter' the minutes of the recent Friends of Dunannie (FoD) Class Representative's meeting. Listening to your feedback has made me realise I would love to have the opportunity to meet with every parent at Dunannie. I know this will take time, but I am hoping over the course of the year I will manage to have a cup of tea and a very informal chat with every family. I hear your children read and watch their progress with a keen interest and would value the chance to hear your views and feedback, and to find out if there are any areas in which we could collaborate. To this end please [email](#) or pop by the office and we will find a convenient time to meet.

Tabitha has written an end of half term FoD letter informing you that Gill Jarvis will be stepping down as Chair of FoD. I would like to personally thank Gill for her boundless energy, hard work and enthusiasm. We are looking forward to the forthcoming FoD coffee morning on the 1st March and are excited to inform you that we have invited Tracey down to congratulate and celebrate her recent marriage and, of course, her new position at Bedales. We also have a FoD Bingo night on Thursday 21st March.

Thank you for attending my Reading Information sessions. Parents requested various resources, such as the complex code and handwriting phrases (both attached). I have also sent lists of picture books and linked story books that are great to read at bedtime. You will also find the slides to my presentation. For parents who were unable to attend the sessions, and for those of you who mentioned you would like a refresher, I am pleased to inform you that I will be holding another reading session on Friday 8th March at 8.35. Please RSVP to dunannie@bedales.org.uk if you would like to attend.

Resources you may want to buy are most conveniently found on Amazon. Please see the attached document with some useful links. I am happy to advise you with what to buy so please email or pop by the office. The most important link though is the pronunciation guide for sounds, [which you will find here](#).

To continue to promote reading, we will be taking part with a range of activities, in World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. The children have been asked to create a hat for their favourite book character which we would like to display in the library. Therefore, please bring your children's creations in by Monday 4th March and remember to create a costume for 'Dress-up Day' on World Book Day.

There are some events to look forward to when we come back. Our Marvellous Mothers' Day will be held on Monday 25th March at 8.30. This is a moment for the children to share their classroom and work with you. If you are unable to attend, please do send an older sibling, Auntie, Grandma or special female friend. If there is a child without a special someone the staff at Dunannie will step in and I know, from experience that mothers share their love and include all children. RSVP to Dunannie@bedales.org.uk

I would like to wish you a happy half term.

Kindest regards

Victoria

PS During half term, please check your child's kit bag and ensure that everything is washed, named and the correct kit is in the bag. Thank you for your cooperation.

SPECIAL DUNANNIE MOMENTS

13th February 2019



Reception children dancing on the stage at the Bedales Olivier Theatre on Tuesday



Nursery have been looking at patterns. We went on a walk to see how many we could find.

Year 1 making their fantastic seagulls!



Year 3 cooking muffins for tomorrow's breakfast.

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Year 3 making beautiful flowers today with our own handmade felt



Year 3 boys and girls enjoyed a great afternoon of hockey at Ditcham Park



NOTICES & ACHIEVEMENTS

13th February 2019

DUNANNIE— DATE LIST - SPRING TERM 2019

FEBRUARY HALF TERM - Thursday 14th February – Sunday 24th February

Monday 25 th February	FIRST DAY back after Half Term
Friday 1 st March	Dunannie Coffee Morning*
Tuesday 5 th March	14.30 Pancake Day Race
Wednesday 6 th March	08.40-09.30 Year 2 Assembly*
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday 8 th March	08.30-09.30 Read, Write, Inc Session *
Monday 11 th March	14.45 Year 3 Boys & Girls Hockey v Ditcham Park (Home)* 16.00-20.00 Dunannie Parents' Evening*
Tuesday 12 th March	16.00-18.00 Dunannie Parents' Evening*
Wednesday 13 th March	08.40-09.30 Year 1 Assembly*
Thursday 14 th March	14.15 Year 3 Swimming gala v The Royal (Home)
Monday 18 th March	08.30-15.30 Mary Dalton Printing Residency
Tuesday 19 th March	08.30-15.30 Mary Dalton Printing Residency
Wednesday 20 th March	09.00 Dunannie Spring Concert in The Well*
Thursday 21 st March	FoDs Fundraiser*
Monday 25 th March	08.30-10.00 Marvellous Mother's Monday*
Wednesday 27 th March	08.40-09.30 Year 3 Assembly*
Friday 29 th March	END OF TERM at 2pm

EASTER HOLIDAY – Saturday 30th March – Tuesday 23rd April Wednesday 24th April Summer Term Starts

Tuesday 7 th May	Year 3 Residential Trip to Minstead
Saturday 11 th May	Dunannie Fun Day / Bedales Dog Show*
Friday 24 th May	LAST DAY Finish at 4.30pm

MAY HALF TERM - Saturday 25th May – Sunday 2nd June

Monday 3 rd June	FIRST DAY back after half term
Friday 14 th June	14.00 Fabulous Father's Friday*
Friday 5 th July	END OF TERM at 2pm

SUMMER HOLIDAY – Saturday 6th July

* Parents are invited to attend



Dear All

Hope you've had a great week.

I write with the news that Gill has had to step down from FoD as she has too much going on. Gill is absolutely amazing and full of energy, enthusiasm and ideas. She is always first to put her hand up and volunteer and she has worked tirelessly to bring the school community together. No task is too small for her and her happy teams: papier-mâchéing 10,000 balloons for the Christmas fair, making all the costumes for the school plays etc etc etc. Thank you Gill for absolutely everything you have done – we will really miss you.

Sarah Galgey has agreed to co chair FoD with me from now until GG goes on to Dunhurst at the end of the Summer Term. Thank you so much Sarah – you are a complete rock star.

This means we are looking for a pair of co chairs to take on FoD from September 2019, or I can co chair with someone else if anyone is interested. It really isn't rocket science and it doesn't take up much time (especially as Camilla Bashaarat is now organising many of the parent events like the Christmas Fair). It's a really lovely way of being more involved with Dunannie. Please email if you'd like a full debrief (tabitha.jay@gmail.com) or talk to Victoria

Please make sure you have our fundraising evening in your diary – 21st March – class reps voted to have a Bingo night. More info to follow.

Have a brilliant half term,

Tabitha