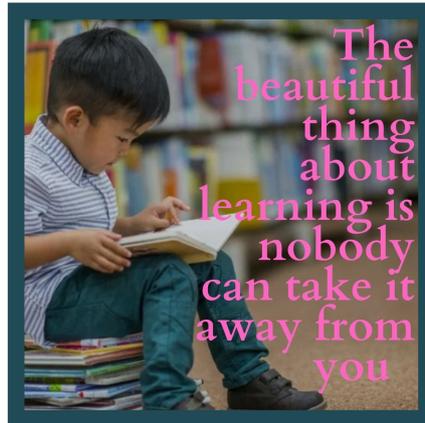


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THE FRIDAY LETTER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF DUNANNIE SCHOOL



Dear Parents

What a great week we have had at Dunannie. It has been wonderful to have our Nursery children and teachers back in school-we have really missed them! I hope that we can now focus on keeping all areas of the school fully open-thank you for your cooperation in following all the guidelines in place.

We have been celebrating Kindness Week at Dunannie and have been focusing on this subject in our lessons, in the playground and during our assemblies. I had a wonderful surprise on Tuesday when I looked out of my office to see a procession of smiling children walking past. They were holding up beautiful handmade signs featuring kind and nurturing words such as "You are wonderful" and "You are enough" - one of my highlights of the week.

The children have been hard at work this week creating small self-portraits to be printed on a fundraising tea towel and tote bag. In order for the FODs to order the correct amount, please let your class rep know how many of each you would like. We can't wait to see their creations in time for Christmas!

A big thank you from the FODs for supporting the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal, giving gifts to local children who would otherwise go without. Please continue to bring new, unwrapped gifts to school. More details can be found here and further on in the newsletter:

<https://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/Christmas-present-appeal>

Our Christmas trees are due to arrive today! We know that with the help of the children's excellent decorating skills, they will look really festive. We have plenty of other fun activities planned in the lead up to Christmas-I am only sorry that we are unable to invite parents in to take part. However, by keeping an eye on our upcoming Friday letters and our Instagram and Twitter feeds, you will be able to observe exactly what the children have been up to. I truly look forward to the day that we can welcome you all back into the school in person.

Which brings me onto my final note. As you know, we are extremely passionate about keeping the school open during the pandemic so as we embark on our Long Leave Weekend, I would like to re-iterate one last time how important it is that everyone continues to follow the guidelines so that we can keep Dunannie's doors firmly open. Thank you again for your ongoing support and I wish you all a relaxing break.

Warmest wishes

Sharon

Ps. We found this little fellow today. Please let us know if he/she belongs to you.



NURSERY



Welcome back to all our lovely
Nursery children!

RECEPTION



For kindness week, Reception made beautiful signs to spread a little love and kindness. We went on a kindness walk, waving our banners at friends and teachers to bring a little extra joy to their day! We have also been kind to each other by helping our friends in class.

We also enjoyed ball and movement skills in PE on Thursday. A great week for Reception!



YEAR 1



Year 1 worked in teams to design kindness symbols which they made into posters and put up in their classroom to show it is a space full of kindness.

YEAR 2



Ahoy there! We are off to sail the ocean and a mysterious black cat has just joined us on board the ship! We met a Captain of the Navy on Teams who answered all our questions about HMS Queen Elizabeth. We then measured HMS Queen Elizabeth out on the pitches that are only half the length of the ship!

Our kindness tree is filling up with our hearts of kindness given by those to someone who they see being kind.



YEAR 3



This week we started growing crystals and now have to wait patiently to see the results, plus we have made montage jewels and diva lamps for our classroom. It is also Kindness Week so the children have been helping each other to tidy up.



ACHIEVEMENTS



G O L D

S I L V E R

B R O N Z E

Max
Kayahan

Max
Oscar D
Kayahan
Oscar PH
Leo P
Wilf S
Hugo

CALENDAR

Date	Start	End	Description
01/12/2020	14:45	15:15	Dunannie Christmas Lights
11/12/2020			Christmas Jumper Day
15/12/2020	12:00		Dunannie Christmas Lunch
16/12/2020	13:00	13:00	Dunannie Term Ends
14/01/2021	08:15	08:15	Dunannie Term Starts
18/01/2021	15:00		Dunannie Boys Football / Girls Netball v Ditcham @ HOME
25/01/2021	14:15		Dunannie Mixed Netball v St Ives AWAY
28/01/2021	15:30	15:30	Dunannie Long Leave Weekend
29/01/2021			Staff Inset (School Closed)
04/02/2021	14:30		Dunannie Boys Football / Girls Netball v The Royal AWAY
11/02/2021	15:45	16:15	Dunannie Performers Platform
12/02/2021	14:30	14:30	Dunannie Half Term Starts
22/02/2021	08:15		Dunannie Half Term ends - Term Starts
23/02/2021	16:00	18:00	Parents' Evening - Nursery to Year 3
25/02/2021	17:00	19:00	Parents' Evening - Nursery to Year 3
04/03/2021	14:15		Dunannie Mixed Hockey v St Ives @ HOME
11/03/2021	15:30	15:30	Dunannie Long Leave Weekend
12/03/2021			Staff Inset (School Closed)
15/03/2021	15:15		Dunannie Boys Football / Girls Hockey v Ditcham AWAY
22/03/2021	15:15		Dunannie Mixed Swimming Gala v St Ives HOME
26/03/2021	13:00	13:00	Dunannie Term Ends

FRIENDS OF DUNANNIE

FOD CHRISTMAS PRESENT APPEAL

WHAT
FRIENDS OF DUNANNIE are supporting THE SALVATION ARMY in their Christmas appeal to provide presents to local children who might not otherwise receive a Christmas present. We are working with the Portsmouth branch.

WHEN
BY FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER

WHAT
Please donate new, unwrapped toys and gifts.

The gifts will then be wrapped and distributed to those in need.

The Salvation Army believe every child deserves a new gift at Christmas so we are unable to take used or second hand items for the Christmas Present Appeal

SUGGESTED GIFT LIST FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

0-3 YEARS

dolls, teddy bears, cot mobiles, baby clothes, bath toys, CDs of suitable music and nursery rhymes, puzzles

3-5 YEARS

dolls and action figures, cars, lorries, DVDs and CDs (music and nursery rhymes), colouring sets, pencils, crayons, books, puzzles

5-9 YEARS

educational games & toys, stationery (colouring sets, pencils, crayons, school sets), CDs & family friendly DVDs, books, puzzles, wordsearch, cross-words

9-12 YEARS

games and toys, stationery, DVDs, books, t-shirts, hair accessories, gloves, scarves, hats

13-16 YEARS

books, make-up and toiletries (please try to ensure non-allergic ingredients if possible), gloves, scarves, hats, t-shirts, hair accessories and gift vouchers

EVENTS



Old Bedalian and ex Dunannie student Sophia Burnell invites you to her debut solo exhibition, Coasts and Clouds. It comprises of 35 landscapes of Cornwall, Scotland, Hampshire and West Sussex. Sophia paints en plein air to truly capture the essence of the scene before her. This body of work includes landscapes that hold particularly fond memories to the artist, beach scenes and rolling countryside which aim to transport the viewer to a beautiful moment in nature.

Coasts and Clouds will be online from **20th of November**.

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