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THE FRIDAY LETTER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF DUNANNIE SCHOOL



Dear Parents

School trips provide a great opportunity for pupils to gain experience and face a range of challenges that can contribute significantly to their personal development so I am delighted that we have been able to send the children on several trips so far this term.

Year 2 visited Chichester Harbour last Friday to explore the seashore at Dell Quay, plus some minibeast hunting at Fishbourne Meadows; and Year 3 had a wonderful morning on Tuesday at SEARCH in Gosport for a geology workshop where they explored rocks, soils and fossils as part of their science project this term. You can see photographs of their visits, further on in the newsletter.

Our assemblies have been focussing on our BE Values again this week, specifically, *BE Aware*. We have discussed being aware of each other and have emphasised how important collaboration is both in teaching and learning, and of course for social skills.

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Next week, Year 1 have a trip to Queen Elizabeth Country Park on **Tuesday 5th** and on **Wednesday 6th**, it is our Harvest Festival. At the moment we plan to hold this in the playground at Dunannie so that parents are able to attend. However, should the weather be unkind to us, we will have to hold the event inside and therefore parents will not be able to attend. We will take a view on Tuesday and let you know.

If you would like to donate any produce, we will be collecting for the PACT Petersfield Foodbank again this year. They have given us a list of the items that would be most helpful to them but they would be very pleased to receive any dried, tinned and packaged food. Regrettably they cannot accept fresh, chilled or frozen goods. Please drop these at school next week outside Dunannie reception to Alex and Kate.

Tin soup

Tin tomatoes

Tin fruit

Tin rice pudding

Tin or carton custard

Jams (not homemade sadly)

Cup a soup

Rice (long grain, basmati etc)

Granulated sugar (small pack)

Porridge oats

Coffee

Drinking chocolate

Lastly, thank you again to everyone for your support with keeping your child at home if they have COVID symptoms. This is proving effective in keeping the vast majority of our pupils well and in school. Please see a refresher below of the guidelines.....

If your child is experiencing any of the symptoms below (however mild), you should inform the class teacher and the office and keep your child at home until their symptoms disappear (if your child has a temperature, please keep them at home until they are symptom free.

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Please also conduct a lateral flow test at home. If the result is positive, you will need to take them for a PCR with the NHS and follow the Government guidelines. If the result is negative, they can come back into school as soon as they no longer have symptoms.

- A high temperature
- A new continuous cough – this means coughing for more than an hour or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- A loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means not being able to smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

On a final note, please can I ask that if you need to bring your child in late, please report their arrival to the office so that we know they are on site.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Warmest wishes

Fiona

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NURSERY

THIS WEEK WE MADE OUR OWN RAINBOW RICE TO PLAY WITH. WE PRACTISED OUR FINE MOTOR SKILLS; POURING, SCOOPING AND SCREWING LIDS ON AS WE MADE RAINBOW POTIONS TO TURN US INTO UNICORNS AND PONIES! WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT LIGHT AND SHADOWS TOO AND USED THE PROJECTOR TO BEAM LIGHT THROUGH OUR TRANSLUCENT BLOCKS AND CREATE SHADOWS. WE FINALLY FOUND SOME CONKERS WHILE WE WERE OUT AND ABOUT ON THE ESTATE SO WE HAVE BEEN TESTING THEIR ROLLING QUALITIES AGAINST OTHER THINGS FOUND IN THE NURSERY.



Insert Nursery text here

RECEPTION



Reception have explored how rain is made and enjoyed creating rain cloud experiments and artwork. We made leaf crowns and used maple leaves to create animals with! What a great week in Reception!

YEAR 1



Year 1 have been thinking about what trees give to people. Their ideas varied from hammock holders to oxygen makers to shelter from the rain.

YEAR 2



What a fantastic day at Chichester Harbour. The sun shone and the tide was out. We explored the habitat of the muddy shoreline and found one of the largest crabs Susana, our lead teacher, had seen on the shoreline. We then followed the water from Dell Quay to Fishbourne through a wood, picking up the stream that flows into the sea. In the meadow habitat we found a cricket, spiders, butterflies and many other bugs. Whilst in the stream habitat we caught a baby eel, flounder fish and many other water creatures and plants. Along the way we came across ten different habitats. Year 2 were magnificent spotters and loved their day out exploring.



YEAR 2



YEAR 3



Year 3 had a fantastic Geology trip to Gosport for the Riveting Rocks and Fantastic Fossils workshop this week

BUSHCRAFT



Year 1 have been learning how to identify the common features of woodland habitats and looking for clues to identify animal homes and animal droppings.

CALENDAR

Date	Start	End	Description	Location
05/10/2021	09:00	12:00	Dunannie Y1 Trip to Queen Elizabeth Country Park	
06/10/2021	09:00	10:00	Dunannie Harvest Festival	Dunannie Playground
12/10/2021	15:45	18:00	Dunannie Parent/Teacher Conference (In School)	
13/10/2021	18:00	20:00	Dunannie Parent/Teacher Conference (Teams)	
14/10/2021	09:15	09:45	Dunannie Reception Class Assembly *Parents invited	Dunannie
15/10/2021	09:00	16:30	Dunannie Y3 Native American Festival with Kaya Rhythm and Arts	Dunannie
15/10/2021	15:30	15:30	Dunannie Half Term Starts (No Late Swallow)	
01/11/2021	08:30		Dunannie Half Term ends - Term Starts	
01/11/2021	15:00	16:00	Dunannie Y3 (selected pupils) Swimming Gala vs St Ives	
05/11/2021			Dunannie Flu Immunisations	Sam Banks Pavilion
05/11/2021	17:30	19:00	Dunhurst FOD's Fireworks Display	Dunhurst
16/11/2021	15:45	16:15	Dunannie Performers' Platform	Library (DUE)
19/11/2021	15:30	15:30	Dunannie Long Leave Weekend starts (no Late Swallow Club)	
30/11/2021	10:00	10:30	Dunannie Nativity Dress Rehearsal (N/Rec)	
30/11/2021	16:30	17:00	Dunannie Christmas Lights Switch on	Dunannie
01/12/2021	09:30	10:00	Dunannie Nativity (N/Rec) *Parents Invited	Dunannie
09/12/2021	08:45	09:30	Year 1 Class Assembly for parents	Dunannie Library
10/12/2021			Dunannie Christmas Jumper Day	
14/12/2021	15:45	17:15	Dunannie Christmas Disco	Dunannie
15/12/2021	15:30		Dunannie Term Ends	