

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May Danbury Park Netball team attended the High Five Netball Finals. We were one of the 12 competing schools who had won our pool in the previous tournament. Unfortunately one of our players was injured and we had to play without him. We arrived at Great Baddow High School feeling confident. We were then split into 2 pools and had to play 5 matches. When the results were read out we had come 5<sup>th</sup> in our pool. We then had to play another 2 matches before hearing the overall results. We didn't make the top 3 schools however we really enjoyed the experience and feel extremely proud to have made to the finals.

Thank you to the parents for transporting us and cheering us on!

Oliver W and Megan H

#### **Owl asks...**



# What does being wise look like?

In our assemblies this term we are exploring big questions and issues. Each week we are using our school owl to pose a question to make us think just a little bit harder and deeper. To begin with we are thinking about our school motto: **be wise, be happy, belong** and are taking the first part to unpick what wisdom is, what it looks like and how we can be wise.

This week's question was tricky and these are some of the children's thoughts:

When you are part of a group like royalty or parliament, acting in a responsible way and setting a good example - Angus B

Someone who is older and knows what they are talking about - Ashlee CB Anyone can be wise. - Brooke B

Helping someone to make good choices - James S Trying your best - Riley M Don't give up! - Alex T

#### After School Clubs – Summer Term

Our programme of clubs is:

	Before School	Lunchtime	After School	
		French	Netball Club Year 5 & 6 with Miss Bridge	
Monday		Catch up lessons	<b>Country Dancing</b> (4 weeks in summer term only), Year 1 & 2 with Mrs Gooding	
			Summer Games Years, 4, 5 & 6 with Premier Sport	
Tuesday		<b>French</b> Years 2, 3, 4	Football with Chelmsford City –Years 2,3 & 4	
			Tennis with Danbury Tennis Club Years 3 & 4	
Wednesday			Multisports Years R, 1,2 & 3	
	Athletics with Premier Sport	<b>French</b> Year 1	Boys Football Year 5 & 6	
Thursday	8.00am – 8.45am Year 3,4, 5 and 6	Girls Football Team	Grundy Gym Club	
		12.20 to 12.50pm, Year 4,5 & 6	Orchestra Club with Mrs Austen	
Friday			KS2 Tag Rugby with Maldon Rugby Club	
			Art Club with Mrs Butler	

Details and forms are available on the school website and from the office.

#### Thank you

Thank you for your understanding this week. We still have another two weeks before Liz Edwards, our new Office Manager, joins us and as you can imagine life in the office is never quiet. However, this week we have also been without Mrs Foster, who sustained an unfortunate accident last weekend and has broken bones in her left hand and foot. We wish her a speedy recovery and have sent her our best wishes.

We are covering the office in the best way we can and, of course, the needs of the children will always come first. We would appreciate your understanding and patience, if we cannot immediately put our hands on the documents and information you require during this difficult time.

#### **Notices and Reminders**

**Guitar Lessons** - Unfortunately Mr Calabro was unable to teach his guitar lessons on the afternoon of Tuesday  $2^{nd}$  May. He has informed us that he will make up the missed lessons at the end of the term.

**PE Kits** – This week we have had lots of junior children without PE kits in school. It is essential that the children participate in their PE lessons and therefore have their full kits in school at all times a we do not hold large stocks of spare uniform.

**Uniform** - If you have any unwanted boys' and girls' socks in all ages, girls' tights in all ages, plimsolls - all sizes and boys' trousers in size 7-9, we would be very grateful for them at the school office for our spare uniform.

**11+ Registration** – The registration for the 11+ tests with CSSE opened on 4<sup>th</sup> May. Please see their website for full details: <u>www.csse.org.uk</u>

Parking – Please remember to park with care and consideration, especially when manoeuvring.

Tennis Club 9<sup>th</sup> May - Please note there will be no after school Tennis Club next week.

Letters sent home this week: Invitation to parents of children in Classes Jay and Hummingbird to join us for school dinner



We are still collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. Last year we collected a colossal 6522 vouchers which were exchanged for lot of free sports equipment. The school also received an extra treat at Christmas with another huge box of free resources.

The closing day for collecting vouchers in store was 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017, so please check your bags and purses and get the vouchers into school as soon as possible so that we can start counting and ordering our new equipment.



# **DPSA news**



# Quiz night returns! - Saturday 20th May, 8pm

The quiz is always a popular night and is just a bit of fun. Tables are of up to 8 and tickets are £5.00. The quiz takes place in the hall and everyone brings their own drinks and nibbles. Make sure the date is in the diary and start getting your teams together. Forms went out in book bags so please hand in forms asap.

# **Medieval Summer Fayre**



# Saturday 24th June 12-3pm – Save the date

The countdown is on to the Summer Fayre. This year the Summer Fayre will take on a Medieval theme including a **birds of prey display, bouncy castles, stalls, BBQ, Pimms tent and children's competition. Please make sure the date is in your diary so as many families can join us on the day.** It takes months of planning so is great to get your support. Nearer the time we'll be asking for your kind donations as always but if you can think of any local businesses which may be willing to donate a raffle prize do please ask them.

# **Big Book Collection**

We are looking to add to the books in our school library. Do you have any good quality books your children no longer read or have outgrown filling up your shelves? We are looking for all types of books in good condition from Early Years Foundation up to year 6 - fiction, poetry, non-fiction. Please leave all donated books in the box by the school office. Thank you for your support.

# **Booking a holiday or shopping online?**

If you book online and go via the easyfundraising site you can raise money for school at no cost to you at all. Simply register at easyfundraising.org.uk and select the retailer you'd like to book with. You'll be directed to the retailers' site as usual but any purchases will earn school commission. Car hire companies, holiday insurance and airport parking pay between 5 and 10%. We've got 61 people using the site which is great but the more the merrier! www.easyfundraising.org.uk



# **Dates for the diary**

20th May – Quiz Night 8pm 12<sup>th</sup> June – Bag2school 24<sup>th</sup> June – Summer Fayre 12-3pm 30<sup>th</sup> June – School Disco



We are taking part in the Shop for Schools Scheme at the Meadow Shopping Centre again this year. The campaign was launched Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February, customers in The Meadows Shopping Centre can able obtain tokens when they spend £10 or more in the centre, and start voting for their school to win a £700 top prize.

What you need to do:-

- Collect one token whenever you spend £10 or more in a single transaction from any of the participating stores in the Meadows Shopping Centre.
- > Post your token in the Shop for Schools collection box which is in the Meadows.
- > The school with the most tokens at the end of the campaign will win the £700 prize fund.
- > There will also be some runner up prizes.

You can follow our progress on www.themeadows.co.uk

Please support us by collecting tokens.

Thank you!



#### Art Work for the Summer Fayre



Why not put your talents to good use and design some art work for the Summer Fayre programme. Our theme this is year is **medieval** so think about knights, castles, dragons.

We would like a selection of drawings to put together for the front cover and to use throughout the programme so please get drawing on plain white paper using coloured pens or crayons.

Please hand your entries into the school office by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May and who knows you may see your design in print.





### **Owl's Barn School Meals**

Week commencing Monday 8th May 2017

Week 1 MONDAY	Homemade Cheese and Tomato Pizza or Salmon Puff	Pasta Twists Coleslaw Sweetcorn Cucumber	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Shortbread Biscuit with Fruit Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
TUESDAY	Local Butcher's pork sausage or Vegetarian Quorn Sausage	Creamy Mashed Potato Fresh Sliced Carrots Peas/Green Salad Creamy Mashed Potato	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Marble Cake served with custard Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
WEDNESDAY	Local Butchers Roast Beef served with Yorkshire pudding and gravy or Cheesy Stack Wrap	Roast Potatoes Cauliflower florets Fresh carrots Green salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Ice cream pot Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
THURSDAY	Chicken in Homemade Rustic Tomato Sauce. or Quorn Pieces in Homemade Rustic Tomato Sauce	White and Wholegrain Rice Sweetcorn / Cucumber	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Apple Crumble and Custard Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
FRIDAY	Harry Ramsden's battered Fish Fillet	Chips Baked Beans/Peas Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Flapjack Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit

#### **Birthday Assemblies** Wednesdays at 3.05pm

3<sup>rd</sup> May 1<sup>st</sup> May - 7<sup>th</sup> May 10<sup>th</sup> May 8<sup>th</sup> May-14<sup>th</sup> May 17<sup>th</sup> May 15<sup>th</sup> May - 21<sup>st</sup> May Families are welcome to join us for this assembly to celebrate your child's birthday.

The birthdays of children in Year 3 who are swimming this half-term, will be celebrated in the assembly on the Friday in the same week. Families are still welcome to join us.

Yours sincerely

Carol Gooding Headteacher

#### Dates for the Diary Week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> May

#### Year 6 SATs Week

Observatory

Year 3 Swimming

Birthday Assembly

Mon 8th May

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> May 3.00pm

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> May Ρm 3.05pm 3.45pm

Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> May 10.00am Class Goldfinch planting day

Netball Match v St John's (away)

Class Cuckoo to visit the National

Infant School Council Meeting

Fri 12<sup>th</sup> May 2.50pm

Class Cuckoo Assembly

Full term dates for this and the next academic year (2016-17 and 2017-18) are available on the school website.

## Danbury Park Community Primary School Dates for Summer Term 2017

Date	Time	Event	
May			
Week beg 8 <sup>th</sup>		Key Stage 2 (Year 6) SATs Week	
	All day	Class Cuckoo to visit the National Observatory	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Pm	Year 3 Swimming	
12 <sup>th</sup>	2.50pm	Class Cuckoo Assembly	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Pm	Year 5 Rising Stars – invited pupils only	
17 <sup>th</sup>	Am	Year 2 Little Stars – invited pupils only	
	10.50 – 11.50am	BodyCare for Year 4	
	Pm	Year 3 Swimming	
19 <sup>th</sup>	2.50pm	Class Eider Assembly	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Eve	DPSA Quiz Night	
Week beg		Year 6 School Journey to York	
22 <sup>nd</sup>		Themed week for juniors	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	7.00pm	Personnel Committee Meeting	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	12.00pm	Parents of Classes Jay & Hummingbird in for lunch	
24 <sup>th</sup>	10.50 – 11.50am	BodyCare for Year 4	
	Pm	Year 3 Swimming	
25 <sup>th</sup>	12.00pm	Parents of Classes Jay & Hummingbird in for lunch	
29 <sup>th</sup> May		Half-term	
2 <sup>nd</sup> June			
June	ſ		
5 <sup>th</sup>		INSET day	
- <b>t</b> b	-	School closed for staff training	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Am	Year 2 Mini-games	
oth	10.10am	David Adams, Library Summer Reading Challenge Assembly	
8 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Welcome meeting for parents of new entrants	
Week beg 12 <sup>th</sup>		Year 1 phonics screening	
	Am	Parish Council in to work with Year 5	
13 <sup>th</sup>	12.00pm	Class Goldfinch parents in for lunch	
	2.50pm	Class Budgerigar (Year 5) Assembly	
15 <sup>th</sup>	12.00pm	Class Goldfinch parents in for lunch	
	4.30pm	Curriculum Committee meeting	
16 <sup>th</sup>	All day	Classes Jay & Hummingbird to Southend Sea Life Centre	
	9.30 – 1.20pm	Year 5 taster day at Sandon School	
Week beg 19 <sup>th</sup> June		Year 1,3,4,5 Assessment Week	
20 <sup>th</sup>		Reading Gladiators Challenge Day	
21 <sup>st</sup>		William de Ferrers Technogames day 1 - invited Year 5 pupils	
22 <sup>nd</sup>		William de Ferrers Technogames day 2 - invited Year 5 pupils	
	6.30pm	Resources Committee meeting	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	2.45pm	Year 2 assembly based on Infant Music Festival	
24 <sup>th</sup>		DPSA Summer Fayre	
26 <sup>th</sup>	1.00pm	Parents and new entrants to join school for lunch	
26 <sup>th</sup>	1.30 – 2.30pm	Class swap - meet your new teacher	
27 <sup>th</sup>	12.00pm	Class Flamingo parents in for lunch	
29 <sup>th</sup>	12.00pm	Class Flamingo parents in for lunch	
30 <sup>th</sup>	2.50pm	Class Goldfinch (Year 1) Assembly	
	6.00pm	DPSA Discos	

	7.15pm	
July		
4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 – 12.45pm	Year 6 Induction Day at Sandon
	2.50pm	Class Hummingbird Assembly
	4.30pm	District Sports
6 <sup>th</sup>	1.00pm	District Sports
	6.30pm	Danbury Park School Concert
7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 – 10.30pm	Class swap - meet your new teacher
13 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
14 <sup>th</sup>	2.50pm	Class Jay assembly
tbc	Eve	Year 6 presentation and celebration
18 <sup>th</sup>		Sports Day
		Picnic Lunch
		Open afternoon
19 <sup>th</sup>	1.30 – 3.00pm	Pre-school Picnic
20 <sup>th</sup>	12.00pm	Leavers' Lunch
	Pm	DP's got Talent
<b>21</b> <sup>st</sup>	9.15am	Leavers' assembly
	3.25pm	School closes for summer

## KS2 (Year 6) SATS Week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Date & Time	Test	Location
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>		
9.20 – 10.20am	English Reading (1 hour)	Hall and Class A
10.30 – 10.45am BREAK		
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>		
9.15 – 10.00am		
10.05 – 10.20am	Paper 2 – spelling (approx. 15 minutes)	Hall and Class A
10.30 – 10.45am BREAK		
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>		
9.30 – 10.00am	Maths Paper 1 - Arithmetic (30 minutes)	Hall and Class A
10.30 – 10.45am BREAK		
10.55 – 11.35am	Maths Paper 2 – Reasoning (40 minutes)	Hall and Class A
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>		
9.20 – 10.00am	Maths Paper 3 - Reasoning (40 minutes)	Hall and Class A
10.30 – 10.45am BREAK		1
Friday 12th		
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>		
9.15am – 10.00am	Science Test A (internal test)	Hall and Class A
<b>10.30 – 10.45am BREAK</b> 11.00– 11.45am	Science Test B (internal test)	