

Danbury Park Community Primary School

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Newsletter



Website: www.danburypark.essex.sch.uk

20th April 2018

Dear Parents,

Summer Term 2018



We hope that you all had a good Easter break despite the wet and chilly weather. What a dramatic changes this week!

The summer term is always busy and we have many activities planned. The dates for the coming months are included at the end of this letter so that you can start to plan ahead. Details of specific events will follow in due course but we will be holding our usual series of class assemblies and end of academic year activities. We will have our sports day and open afternoon on the same day following the same format as the previous two years as well as the traditional presentation from our Year 6 pupils as they prepare to leave Danbury Park School and move on to their new schools. We also have the DPSA Summer Fayre to look forward to along with the country dancing from the infants and all our usual series of sporting competitions and class educational visits.

We hope to see families at all these exciting events!

The term started rather abruptly with the news that Little Owls would be withdrawing the Eagles wrap around childcare as of 30th April and we are sorry for the disruption and worries that this has caused families. The school is investigating various options for September and more information will be shared with you over the coming weeks. This will be via letters sent home in book bags so please check regularly. The offers for places in the Reception year group went out from the Local Authority on Monday and our welcome booklet will be sent out early next week. For those parents who do not already have children at the school, we will be posting letters about the wrap around childcare so that they are kept well informed.

We look forward to meeting the new families at our induction sessions and events later this term.

I am sure you will join me and extending a big thank you to Mr Ambor who organised the team to fill in the pot holes in Danbury Outdoors' carpark over the Easter break. This has made a huge difference and we are very grateful.

Talented Pupils

Well done to Annie C who is a member of the Essex U11 girls' Chess Team who went to the EPSCA UNDER 11 Girls' International Association Championship held in Oxford. Annie came 6th out of 12 counties. Annie scored 2 out of 3 for her three matches.

Well done Annie!

KS2 Snack Shack News!

The interview with BBC Essex Breakfast radio show was aired this Monday and the members of the School Council did a fantastic job of promoting our KS2 Snack Shack. IT is available on catch-up for the next few days so please listen in.

The School Councillors would like to remind the children in KS2 that at break times they should only be bringing into school a healthy snack which should be some fruit or vegetables. We have noticed that some children are bringing in crisps and biscuits. We agreed that Mondays would be our treat day and we are pleased that healthy treats are now available from the Tuck Shop.

Because the Tuck Shop is proving to be so popular, the price of a daily snack has now dropped from 40p to **30p**. So a week of snacks has just dropped in price from £2 to **only £1.50** - come and sample the range. This week we have offered mango, pineapple, water melon, raisins, easy peeler satsumas and juicy British apples.

Watch this space for the launch of our new logo

Summer Term Reminders



Please remember that the weather is still very changeable so watch the forecasts. On chillier and drizzly days, the children will need their coats as we still go outside at break and lunch times for fresh air. On clearer days please apply a long lasting sunscreen first thing in the morning and send in a hat.

The children also need a water bottle in school every day. We are endeavouring to repair or replace the broken water fountains so it is really important that the children have their own water bottle in school. These can be filled up during the school day from taps within the school.

School Lunch Costs for the Summer Term 2018



1ST Half Term – 16th April – 25th May = 29 Days at £2.10 = £60.90

2nd Half Term – 5th June – 20th July = 34 Days at £2.10 = £ 71.40

Total Term £132.30
Meal Costs per day £2.10

Get Active Promoters



We are looking to launch the Daily Mile at Danbury Park School to get the children more involved in physical activities at lunchtime so are looking for two enthusiastic adults to lead the way.

The Daily Mile is a popular initiative in many schools now and involves the children trying to walk a mile around the school grounds each day. With the arrival of drier weather, we want to get the project to involve the children in walking as well as participating in more physical games and activities under way so that the good habits will continue into the Autumn and then throughout the following academic year.

We are looking for two Get Active Promoters to run and organise these activities. If you have a passion for being active and like taking the initiative, then this project is for you as there is scope to take it in many directions and your opinions and ideas will be most welcome. You will be working directly with Carol Gooding who will support you in getting the project underway.

We feel that the best time to engage the children is during the lunchtime period so the hours are every day from 12.00pm to 1.30pm.

The project will initially run round to the end of Summer 2019 as it is linked directly to, and is dependent on, the Sports Grant that is given to schools and has now been confirmed for the academic year 2018-19. Although being part of the lunchtime team, our Get Active Promoters are only expected to organise and supervise the physical activities.

If you have any questions or are interested, please ask the school office for an application form by **Friday 27th April**.

Safeguarding - Keeping Safe

Save the date: **Wednesday 6th June**

On Wednesday 6th June we will be holding special workshops with all children in Years 3 and 4 and in Years 5 and 6 about e-safety. These have been designed and will be led by a specialist team of professionals including ex police officers and teachers. Our aim is for the children to hear about how to keep themselves safe from experts! After school there will be training for all school staff which will be followed by an information session for parents. In the ever changing world of technology it is vitally important that parents understand what their children are involved in and the risks they face.

To help protect our children, we want as many parents of junior children present as possible. The teachers are organising a KS2 Film Night that evening so that the children have a special social event with their friends whilst parents attend the session. In order for the child to watch the film, a parent must stay and listen to the presentation. More information will follow soon but please keep this evening free in your diaries.

There is a wealth of materials and resources, including videos, graphics and posters available on the ESCB website: escb@essex.gov.uk so please have a look!

Let's work together to keep our children safe!

Summer Term Clubs

Chelmsford City Starts Tuesday 17th April – 22nd May

Netball Starts 16th April -14th May (23rd no club match only) and continues 11th June - 9th July

Rugby Starts 20th April- 25th May and continues 15th June -13th July

Multisport Starts 25th April- 11th July

Athletics Starts 26th April- 12th July

Girls and Boys football 26th April- 12th July

Spanish Starts 18th April – 11th July

French Starts 16th April – 24th May

Art Starts 20th April -13th July (no art 25th May)

Tennis- Coach will contact existing attendees.

Notices and Reminders

Class /Group - Photographs will be taken on the 27th April.

Parking – Please think about the safety of our children and park with care and consideration before there is an incident where someone is seriously hurt.

Staying Safe – Members of our community have expressed their concerns about the safety of children at the end of the school day where the children are being allowed to climb trees on the grassed area by the path down from Well Lane. The branches on these trees may not be strong enough to support even a child's weight and we are concerned that children may fall and injure themselves. Similarly, we would ask that parents prevent their children climbing on the wooden gates and on the brick wall at the entrance to the school and from going behind the PE sheds by the playground.

School office opening hours – The school office opens to parents and pupils at 8.30am and closes at 3.45pm. We are sorry but after this time the office are unable to take payments and the shutters will be closed. Please can children remember to collect their phones **before** going to clubs.

Adults coming into school - A gentle reminder that parent's wishing to come into the school must come to the main office, sign in and be given a visitors badge regardless of their reason to enter the building. This is part of our safeguarding policy in keeping our children safe.

Letters sent home this week:



Year 5 Activity Day



Premier Sports



Lunch Invitation to class G,F,H and J

Year 5 Sandon Tour Dates

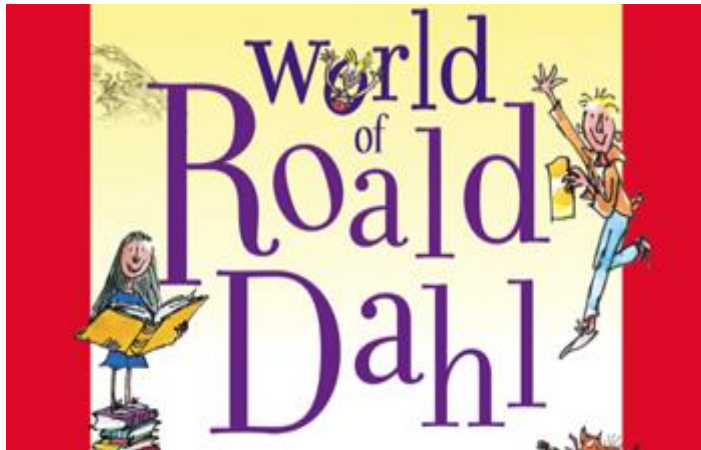
All tours will take place on the following dates and will commence at 9.30am. They will last a maximum of 45 minutes and Parents/carers will need to arrive no earlier than 9.15am in order to register. **Please contact the Sandon School to book your tour in advance, via the Sandon School Reception after the Easter holidays.**

Tour Dates

Wednesday 6th June, Monday 11th June, Friday 15th June, Monday 18th June and Thursday 21st June.



DPSA News



Summer Fayre Saturday 23rd June 12-3pm

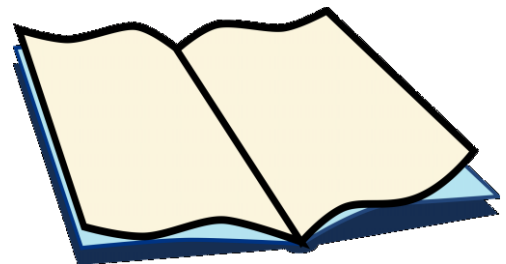
Please save the date!

The countdown is on to the Summer Fayre. This year the Summer Fayre will take on a Roald Dahl theme including **George's Marvellous Medicine** **Mad Science**

Shows, donkey rides, 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 and is a big fundraiser for the school so it is great to have your support.

Summer Fayre Brochure Advertising

Do you own a business or work for a firm that would like to advertise in our School Summer Fayre Brochure? We are in the process of putting this together and can offer advertising space of a quarter, half or full page. The brochure is professionally printed in colour and is given to all adults attending the school summer fayre. It is a great way to spread the word locally about your business and support the school at the same time. All proceeds raised go to the DPSA to spend on items for the school. If you are interested please contact Jo at dpsa2018@yahoo.com for more information.



Summer Fayre Grand Raffle Prizes

We are in the process of collecting together prizes for our summer fayre grand raffle. If you own, or know somebody who owns, a business and would like to sponsor or donate a raffle prize please let your Class Rep know or contact us at sallyj@doctors.org.uk.

Dates for the diary 2018



Mar

June

Wednesday 6th
Saturday 23rd
Friday 29th

Bag2school
Summer Fayre
School Disco

Thank you for your continued support. The DPISA

London Marathon 2018 Update

Dear Parents and Carers of Danbury Park,

I am running in this year's **London Marathon** in memory of our dear friend Sally Baker who, you will remember, sadly passed away from the deadly effects of Meningitis in Dec 2015.

I am hoping to raise lots of money and awareness for the Meningitis Research Foundation and hope that you will support me in this. Previous fundraising efforts in her honour have included 2 well attended Coffee Mornings where we have together raised over £2500 so far.

I wanted to say thank you to the army of helpers and supporters who helped to set up, manage, and dismantle the children's charity disco last month. I could not have done it without you – especially Sarah R and Odette S, who stepped in as last minute DJ's. This added about £350 to our total.

Also, please may I take this opportunity to thank all of you who have donated to the funds, every £5, £10 and £20 alongside the events run by Vicki H, Odette S, Sarah R and Nicky B has grown into nearly £1600 so far with the promise of more to come. Sally would be delighted.

If anyone else does wish to contribute, please visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/yvonne-burton to donate to this very worthwhile cause, or you can guess my finishing time on marathon day. There is the potential to win £50. I have a GUESS MY TIME sheet with £3 for one guess or 2 guesses for £5.

I have decided to postpone the after party at The Bell next month. I am concentrating on the marathon run now with the idea that the 'party' can be held later in the year – perhaps in place of the usual coffee morning? I'm sure the Meningitis Research Foundation will appreciate the additional donation at any time of the year. Please watch this space for information.

A huge big thanks to you all for your kind words and encouragement. I will let you know how it went in a few weeks' time.

With grateful thanks,
Yvonne Burton

We wish Mrs Burton the very best of luck running the Marathon this Sunday. We know she will give it her very best effort and look forward to a full account.



Owl's Barn School Meals

Week commencing Monday 23rd April

Week 2 MONDAY	Portion of Fish with Shredded Lettuce and Mayonnaise in a Brioche Bun	New Potatoes Peas Carrot Sticks Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Jam Sponge with Custard Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
TUESDAY	Homemade Spaghetti Bolognese or Vegetarian Quorn Bolognese	Garlic Bread Sweetcorn Peas Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Bakewell Crumble Slice Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
WEDNESDAY	Local Butchers Roast Gammon served with Yorkshire pudding and gravy or Cheddar Whirl	Roast Potatoes Freshly sliced carrots Whole Green Beans Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	100% Fruit Iced Lolly Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
THURSDAY	Popcorn Chicken served with Tomato or BBQ sauce or Macaroni Cheese	White and Wholegrain Rice , Broccoli Sweetcorn Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Melting Moment with Fruit Wedge Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
FRIDAY	Local Butchers Sausage in a roll or Quorn Sausage in a roll	Chips Baked Beans Peas Cucumber	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Chocolate Cracknell Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit

Dates for the Diary

Week beginning 23rd April 2018

Mon 23rd April 3.25pm	Netball Match v St Peter's (away)
Tues 24th April Pm	Year 3 Swimming
Weds 25th April 12.30pm	School Council Meeting
Thurs 26th April	
Fri 27th April	Class and Group Photos

Full term dates for this academic year 2017-18
and for next, 2018-19 are available on the school website.

Yours sincerely,

Carol Gooding
Headteacher

Dates for Summer Term 2018

Date	Time	Event
April		
16 th	9.00am	School opens for the Summer Term
17 th	Pm	Year 3 Swimming
19 th	7.00pm	Governors' Budget Setting Meeting
24 th	Pm	Year 3 Swimming
27 th	am	Class and group photos
May		
1 st		Year 3 Swimming
2 nd	2.50pm	Class E Assembly
3 rd	7.00pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
8 th	Pm	Year 3 swimming
9 th	2.50pm	Celebration Assembly
	3.25pm	Netball Match v St John's
11 th	2.50pm	Class D Assembly
	3.15pm	Girls' Football Match v St Anne's (home)
Week beg 14 th		KS2 SATS Week
15 th	Pm	Year 3 Swimming
17 th		School Census Day
Week beg 21 st		Year 6 School Journey to Iron Bridge World Cup themed week for rest of school
	7.00pm	Personnel Committee Meeting
22 nd		Year 5 Day at Danbury Outdoors
28 th May 1 st June		Half-term
June		
4 th		School closed for staff training
5 th	All day	Classes F & G to Tower of London
6 th	Pm	Safeguarding workshops for Year 3 & 4 and Years 5&6
	7.00pm	Meeting for parents and film night for children
7 th	Am	Year 2 Mini-Games
8 th	2.50pm	Class C Assembly
Week beg 11 th		Years 1, 3, 4, 5 Assessment Week
14 th	10.00am – 2.30pm	Reading Gladiator Challenge at Woodville Primary
	4.30pm	Governors' Curriculum Meeting
15 th		Class Eider to visit Colchester Zoo
	2.50pm	Class B (Year 5) Assembly
20 th	9.45am – 11.45am	Year 6 Crucial Crew
	2.50pm	Celebration Assembly
21 st	2.45pm	Year 2 Assembly to rest of school
	6.30pm	Governors' Resources meeting with site walk
22 nd		Year 5 taster day at Sandon School
	2.50pm	Year 2 Assembly to parents
23 rd		DPSA Summer Fayre
25 th	1.00pm	New entrant in for lunch and meet your new teacher
26 th		Year 6 Induction Day at Sandon
28 th	6.30pm	World Cup Screening England v Belgium

29 th	2.50pm	Class H Assembly
3 rd	Am	Sandon School art group – willow weaving activity
	4.30pm	District Sports
5 th	1.00pm	District Sports
6 th	9.30am	New entrants in and meet your new teacher
	2.50pm	Class G (Year 1) Assembly
	6.00pm 7.15pm	EYFS & KS1 DPSA Disco KS2 DPSA Disco
10 th	Pm	Governors to meet with Year 6 for pupil questionnaire
11 th	1.15 – 2.45pm	Pre-school Activity Afternoon
	2.50pm	Celebration Assembly
12 th	7.00pm	Full governing body meeting
13 th		Year 4 Immersive Day at Sandon School
	2.50pm	Class Jay Assembly
16 th	9.30am	Year 6 Presentation to school
	Eve	Year 6 Presentation and Celebration to parents
17 th		Sports Day Picnic Lunch Open afternoon
18 th		Year 6 Leavers' Activities
19 th	12.00pm	Year 6 Leavers' Lunch
	Pm	DPS's got Talent
20 th	9.15am	Leavers' assembly
	3.25pm	School closes for summer

KS2 SATS

Week beginning 14th May 2018

Date & Time	Test	Location
Monday 14th		
9.15 – 10.00am	English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 1 – short answer (45 minutes)	Hall and Class A
10.15 – 10.30am	Paper 2 – spelling (approx. 15 minutes)	Hall and Class A
10.30 – 10.45am BREAK		
Tuesday 15th		
9.20 – 10.20am	English Reading (1 hour)	Hall and Class A
10.30 – 10.45am BREAK		
Wednesday 16th		
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 17th		
9.20 – 10.00am	Maths Paper 3 - Reasoning (40 minutes)	Hall and Class A
10.30 – 10.45am BREAK		
Friday 18th		
9.15am – 10.00am	Science Test A (internal test)	Hall and Class A
10.30 – 10.45am BREAK		
11.00– 11.45am	Science Test B (internal test)	Hall and Class A