

# Danbury Park Community Primary School

*Be wise, be happy, belong!*

## Newsletter



Website: [www.danburypark.essex.sch.uk](http://www.danburypark.essex.sch.uk)

**22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019**

Dear Parents,

**Congratulations** to the following children who have recently achieved their reading awards:

William R – Emerald Eloise T – Emerald Darcy B – Ruby Harry B – Ruby Ben B – Ruby Caleb H – Ruby  
Abigail M – Ruby Max S – Ruby Emily B – Diamond Lily B – Diamond Serena D – Diamond  
Thomas P – Diamond Henry R – Diamond Zachary C – Topaz Jessica M – Silver Lucy R – Gold Emily W – Gold

**Our next Celebration Assembly is on  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 2.50pm.**

### Healthy Packed Lunch Competition



You may remember that some time ago we invited the children to participate in the competition to design a healthy packed lunch. We had more entries than ever this year and the children have been eagerly awaiting the announcement of the winners.

We are proud to announce that Emmy P in Class Dove was runner-up in the 8 -11 age group and that she has won £150 worth of gardening equipment for the school. Over the coming months, Emmy and her friends are going to work with me in the school garden and we will be trying to grow the plants she needs to make her *Perfect Packed Lunch*. We will take lots of photographs as we go and share them with you via the newsletter.



**Well done Emmy!**

## Book Week Reports

### Class Eider

Book Week was a very fun week because we had the whole week packed with fun!

To start the week on Monday we were introduced to the book we were going to be reading. Class Eider read *Sir Cumference and the Fraction Faire*. Don't forget, we also had paired reading with children from various classes in the school. We got to read with children in Class A and Class J.

On Tuesday our parents and grandparents spend half an hour of their time reading to us. In the afternoon we did our top copy of some descriptive writing as our characters went into the Fraction Faire. Our characters learnt all about fractions.

On Wednesday we could choose which book we listened to as a school adult read to us. We wrote an explanation about what fraction are using the story we were reading. In the afternoon, we did a book hunt and there were books with numbers on hidden around the school we had to find.

On Thursday it was World Book Day and you had to dress up as a book character from any book you have read. Some of the characters in our class were Sherlock Holmes, Harry Potter, Pippi Longstocking and Greg from *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*. We also did oil pastel pictures of the Fraction Faire.

On Friday we drew and painted our characters in watercolours. At the end of the day in assembly each class shared the book they were reading.

Book Week was really fun and we really enjoyed it!

**Taken from reports by: Lucy, Poppy, Sophia, Daisy, Fern, Eve, Henry and Tommy**

### Book Week in Class Flamingo

Last week we had lots of fun in our class for book week. Our chosen books were *The Guinness World Record* books. We loved reading all the different records of which some were really clever and some really unusual.

We found out about a range of records, then wrote to record-holders to ask them about their records. We found the most interesting ones in different categories and had great fun trying to set our own records. We did timed challenges such as speed stacking and how many jumps and hops in a minute. We competed as a class and then recorded the timed results in a table to show who was the Class Flamingo's record holder.

We hope you will enjoy looking at our Guinness World Record work in the new hall display we are putting up.



## Book Week Class Hummingbird

Last week it was book week. Everyone had to dress up. The costumes were amazing. We enjoyed finding book characters around the school and we enjoyed as a class reading the Great Pet Sale.

**By Jayden and Zoe**

Last week it was book week. We enjoyed learning about the Great Pet Sale. We enjoyed dressing up as book characters and our mums and dads came into class to read with us. We enjoyed book week.

**By Luke and Teigi**

## World Book Day

**Thank you** for your donations for our dressing up day on world book day.

We raised a fantastic £243.21 which will be used to buy new books for our school.

## Comic relief - Red Nose Day

We also raised a fantastic £288.51 on our 'wear something red' for Comic Relief Day last week.

Thank you

## Class Hummingbird's Assembly

The children in Class Hummingbird did a great job of telling us all about their learning in last Friday's assembly. Their owl pictures were so detailed and captured the shape of the bird very well. They tested the audience's knowledge of herbivores, carnivores and omnivores and nocturnal animals and then they amazed us by re-telling the whole of *Peace at Last*.

Well done!



## Boys' Football Match v Priory

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019, Danbury Park played Priory at the Priory Fields. On paper, it looked a hard game as Priory gave us a test last year. The team line up was: Sam (making his debut), Charlie, Ben, Henry P, Henry B, George S, Harry, Beau, Toby and George B.

When the game kicked off, we looked like we were dominating them with Henry B scoring his first of the afternoon. We looked much stronger than last game against St. John's. However, about a minute later, a Priory player evened the tie then to only go and score one more, making it 1-2. Just before half time, George B crossed in a beautiful floating corner, which then caused havoc. George S sliced the ball into the net, making it 2 all for half time.

After 15 minutes of great football, Henry B ran across the left wing of the pitch and into the box and scored the most impressive solo goal this season, making it 3-2 to us! Two minutes later, Henry B received a magnificent ball from debut man Sam, only to achieve his hat trick! To wrap it up, George S volleyed the ball at the goalkeeper; only to be saved and rebounded in by Henry B.

Soon came the whistle and celebrations erupted. The final score was 5-2 to us! We thought that we definitely improved from the last match.

**George B and Sam B.**



## Tree Planting

On Thursday we had a special tree planting ceremony in which our Year 4 children participated. You may remember that last July Mrs Parkington and Mrs Waring, Class Eider's job-share teachers, and Mrs Jackson, Class Avocet's learning support assistant, left Danbury Park School. They wanted to give the school a tree as a leaving present to remember them by and this week they returned to plant it. The children who were in Year 3 and worked with the teachers last year joined us and helped put soil around the roots. The School Council will have the responsibility of watering the tree every week until it gets established. Over the years the Swedish Whitebeam will grow and provide shelter from the sun on the field for the children.



Thank you Mrs Parkington, Mrs Waring and Mrs Jackson!

## Safeguarding - Keeping Safe

This week the children in Year 6 were visited by an education link officer from the Essex Fire and Rescue Service. They have been delivering cyber-safety talks in schools now for several years but this is the first time that they have visited Danbury Park School for this purpose.

They reminded our older children about keeping safe in the digital world and the children have brought home a poster with useful tips and reminders. We hope that they will discuss some of the issues raised with their parents.

In our assemblies I reminded the children about the analogy that the two Johns used last year. They talked about using the internet as being on a train journey and that it's better if adults travel with the children as they find out and explore what is out there, so that adults can guide the children and help them negotiate the unknown and deal with the unexpected. So I hope that the children understand why adults ask them what they are doing on their tablets and phones and why they are checking the browser and messaging history.

Useful links:

<https://www.esafetytraining.org/>

thinkuknow.co.uk

internetmatters.org

ceop.police.uk

**Let's work together to keep the children safe!**

## Parking

On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March between 10.50am and 2.15pm a member of staff had the driver's door of her red Peugeot 307 damaged by the driver of a light coloured car. Unfortunately they did not leave their contact details.

If you have any information, please speak with Mrs Jacki Brooke, our Office Manager.

**PLEASE USE THE CAR PARK WITH CARE AND CONSIDERATION FOR OTHERS!**

## School Lunches Costs for Spring Term 2019

2<sup>nd</sup> Half Term: 25<sup>th</sup> February – 5<sup>th</sup> April = 30 Days at £2.20 = **£66.00**



Please send monies in with your child via the book bags in a named envelope making cheques payable to Essex County Council. We would encourage parents to pay in advance for meals and if possible for the whole half-term. You will only pay for those meals that your child has and any credits will be carried forward to the next term. Due to the financial year end we request that you bring your dinner money account into credit.

Please remember school dinners were increased at the beginning of this academic year and cost £2.20 per day. Thank you.

## Notices and Reminders

**Data Collection sheets** – If you were given a second copy of the data collection sheet at a parent consultation meeting recently, please check the information carefully and return the sheet to us as a matter of priority, even if there are no changes. We do need up-to-date contact details in case of emergencies. Thank you.

### Letters sent home this week:

-  Key stage 2 Spring Celebration
-  Dinner Money request for Summer Term

## Staff Vacancies

Sadly at the end of this academic year Mr Brown, Class Budgerigar's teacher, will be leaving Danbury Park School. He has been successful in obtaining a position in a school nearer to his home and we wish him the very best for the future. The recruitment process is already underway and we will update you in due course.

The vacancy for a **Catering Assistant** working Thursdays and Fridays 12.00 – 1.30pm closes on 25<sup>th</sup> March. Duties include supporting the team in washing up and clearing away and keeping the kitchen on track during our busy serving times. If you want to be part of our happy school community supporting the children at lunchtimes, then you are the person we are looking for. An application form is available on [www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk](http://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk)



# DPSA News



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## Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday 30th March 2-4pm One week to go!



Don't forget to pre-book your tickets using the form sent out in book bags for £2.50 each. Tickets will cost £3 per child on the day.

**Helpers on the day** – please let us know at [sallyj@doctors.org.uk](mailto:sallyj@doctors.org.uk) run a stall 2-3pm (**3 people still needed**) or 3-4pm, (**5 people still needed**) or help tidy away at the end.

### We are also looking for:-

**Donations of Easter Eggs for the Egg Tombola** – please leave in the donation box by the school office.

**Donations of Gifts suitable for the Mothers Day Secrets Room** e.g. toiletries, jewellery, please also leave those in the donation box by the school office.

**Easter Hamper Items for the class hamper raffle**– Class Reps will let you know a list of suggested items. Please leave these in the black bucket in your child's class.

**Cakes** – if you are happy to bake a cake for the refreshment stall please let me know at [sallyj@doctors.org.uk](mailto:sallyj@doctors.org.uk)

**We are currently raising money to replace the class tablet computers which are used by all children at the school so please do come along and support this event.**

### Summer Fayre Grand Raffle and Brochure

We are already starting to plan the school summer fayre. This year the theme is 'The Seaside'. If you own or know of a business that would like to sponsor a raffle prize in our Grand Raffle or would like to advertise in our professionally printed summer fayre brochure then please let us know at [sallyj@doctors.org.uk](mailto:sallyj@doctors.org.uk) or inform your Class Rep who will pass on your message.

### Dates for the diary 2019



<b>March</b>	<b>Sat 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Easter Egg Hunt 2-4pm</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>DPSA committee meeting 8pm, The Bell</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>Tues 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Bag2school</b>
	<b>Sat 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Summer Fayre 12 -3pm</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>School Disco</b>

**Have a lovely weekend. The DPSA**



## Owl's Barn School Meals

Week commencing Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March

<b>Week 2</b> <b>MONDAY</b>	Pasta Carbonara or Vegetarian Carbonara (V)	Homemade Fresh Bread Mixed Vegetables Carrot Sticks Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Cornflake Tart and Custard Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
TUESDAY	Homemade Spaghetti Bolognese or Quorn Bolognese (V)	Garlic Bread Sweetcorn Peas Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Giant Cookie with Fruit Wedge Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
WEDNESDAY	Local Butchers Roast Gammon served with Yorkshire pudding and gravy or Cheesy Stack Wrap (V)	Roast Potatoes Freshly sliced carrots Whole Green Beans Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Strawberry Fruit Jelly Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
THURSDAY	Kentucky Chicken Drumsticks or Macaroni Cheese (v)	White and Wholegrain Rice Broccoli, Sweetcorn Green Salad Chips Baked Beans Peas	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Jam Tart and Custard Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
FRIDAY	Local Butchers Beefburger in a Floured Bap or Vegetable Burger in a Floured Bap (v)	Chips Baked Beans Peas Cucumber	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Chocolate Rice Crispy Cake Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit

## Dates for the Diary

### Week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Am**  
**4.00pm**

**EES Inter-schools Year 6 English Competition**  
**High 5 Netball Tournament at GBHS**

**Tues 26<sup>th</sup>**

**9.15am**

**Year 2 SATs meeting for parents**

**Weds 27<sup>th</sup>**

**12.30pm**  
**2.50pm**

**School Council Meeting**  
**Celebration Assembly**

**Thurs 28<sup>th</sup>**

**3.30pm**

**Class Eider's visit to the National Maritime Museum**  
**Girls' Football Match v Gt Leighs Primary School (away)**

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> 2.00 - 4.00pm DPSA Easter Egg Hunt**

**Full term dates for this academic year 2018-19**  
**and for next, 2019-20 are available on the school website.**

Yours sincerely

Carol Gooding  
Headteacher



**Danbury Park Community Primary School**  
**Dates for Spring Term 2019**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>March</b>		
27 <sup>th</sup>	2.50pm	Celebration Assembly
28 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	National Maritime Museum Trip Class E
30 <sup>th</sup>	2.00-4.00pm	DPSA Easter Egg Hunt
<b>April</b>		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00am	Spring/Easter assembly for guests & infants
5 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Spring/Easter assembly for parents
		Break up for Easter holidays