

Danbury Park Community Primary School

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Newsletter



Website: www.danburypark.essex.sch.uk

28th June 2019

Dear Parents,

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

Max F – Emerald Myah E – Ruby Joe F - Ruby
Imogen C – Diamond Bella G – Diamond Caleb H - Diamond
Serena D – Topaz Emily W - Platinum

*Our next Celebration Assembly is on
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 at 2.50pm.
The last Celebration Assembly of the year will be on Friday 19th July at 2.50pm*

Year 2 Presentation



On Tuesday the 25th June, the Year Two children performed *The Gingerbread Man*. They did so wonderfully, singing with gusto, acting and dancing beautifully. They were so confident and delivered their lines clearly so all could hear. I was very proud of each and every one of them. Well done Year Two!

Mrs Buer

Daily Mile

Sadly Mrs Burton is stepping down from her position as *Get Active Promoter* organising and supervising the Daily Mile at lunchtimes with our junior children. The children are keen and we would like this activity to continue so if you are interested or would like more details, please speak with Mrs Gooding on the school gate or contact her via the school Office.

We would like to thank Mrs Burton for all her enthusiasm, help and support in setting up this new venture.

School Council Young Persons' Conference at Hylands House



We arrived to a welcome by the Mayor of Chelmsford and Vicky Ford the MP. Vicky told us that she was going to London to change our laws for the better and that we are the only people in the world to do so.

Next Dawn Wood took to the stage and showed us a PowerPoint about when she sailed across the Atlantic Ocean. Her starting point was Grain Goiania and she finished in Barbados where her parents greeted her. The reason for going on this voyage was to raise awareness about plastic in the ocean. It took 51 days 17 hours and 15 minutes alone and she was really close to beating the world record which is 49 days. She rowed singlehanded 2829 miles altogether and 56.16 miles per day.

After her PowerPoint we had seven activities (one was refreshments) to get involved with about plastic and recycling and plastic. My favourite activity was asking Dawn Wood many questions because it was interesting and we got to see the small cramped boat that she was in. There was a small deck to row and a tiny cabin where she slept and I was surprised when she told us that she did not get lonely the whole time.

At the end Dawn Wood did her final but inspiring speech about what charity she donates her sponsorship money on. She donates the money to a charity called Marine Conservation Society and is trying to raise £20,000. She also became the 1 in 9 women that had rowed the Atlantic Ocean solo. Her day job is a Police Officer on a boat and every day she finds bits of rubbish in the ocean. When she was in Barbados she got to go out on a boat with the Police Officers there. As soon as I knew it the afternoon was over and Mrs Edom Backer had stopped speaking we were back at school.



By Lucy H

Well done to Maddie, George, James, Emma, Lucy and Christopher who represented the school so well. They were complimented on their polite and respectful responses and the depth and quality of their thinking about global issues. Thank you to Mrs Rackliff and Mrs Parker who accompanied the children.

Summer Events

We have lots of events for the second half of the summer term so please make sure you put dates which are at the end of this newsletter in your diaries.

Monday 22nd July Sports Day



This year we will be using the same format for our Sports Day and Open Afternoon as in previous years. To save busy parents having to take two days off work we combine the two events on the same day with a traditional picnic lunch in the middle. The provisional timetable for the day is:

9.15am	Front gates will be opened to visitors
9.30am	KS2 opening ceremony on the playground Sporting events for Key Stage 2 (Classes E, D, C, B & A)
10.30am	KS1 and Early Years opening ceremony on the playground Sporting events for Key Stage 1 and Early Years (Classes J, H, G & F)
11.30am	Whole school running events on the field
12.30pm	Awarding of cups and trophies followed by picnic lunch on the field
1.30pm	Children return to class to change out of PE kits and for registration
2.00pm	Open afternoon in classes with an opportunity to look at your child's work and then visit their new class for next year.
3.25pm	End

The events will start with a carousel of activities stationed around the field in which all the children participate. At 11.30am the whole school will come together for the races on the main track. We are already holding practices and trials in school so that for these races the fastest boys and the fastest girls in each year group will compete against each other. In keeping with the Olympic legacy the children will be earning points for their houses so that in Key Stage 2 we will have a house winner for each year group and then an overall winner. In the infants we will pool the points and have one overall house winner.

We hope to offer a tea and coffee station for parents. Drinks will be charged at a nominal rate to cover costs. For your comfort if you would like to bring blankets, seats and even gazebos, you are most welcome

Please remember to send the children in with water bottles and caps and apply a high factor sunscreen. All pre-school children must be kept under your direct supervision at all times and please note that the climbing tower and galleon will be out of use.

In the event of adverse weather we will make a decision as early as possible on the day as to whether events can go ahead. Please check the school website home page, scrolling news for the latest information. Regardless we will still hold the lunch for families and we will picnic in the school building if needs be and hold the open afternoon.

Bank Holiday Change May 2020

Please note that the government has changed the early May Bank Holiday 2020 from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May to coincide with VE Day commemorations. The school calendar on the website has now been changed to reflect this.

Working Party

As we approach the end of the summer term and hopefully some better weather, we are looking at tidying up the school grounds. We would like to set up a working party of adults to clear the old PE equipment from behind the sheds and to tidy up the Early Years area. We want to repaint (inside and out) and refurbish the Wendy house and repaint the sheds with preservative. We can provide all the materials and tools. If you are able to volunteer a few hours one afternoon over the coming weeks, we would be most grateful. Please let the school office know your availability and we will co-ordinate the efforts.

Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered. We will be in touch shortly!

We are also seeking donations of well-cared for toys for the Early Years area that your children may have outgrown. We are looking for small bicycles, dolls prams, toy cars (all sizes), building blocks (large and small), large beads for threading, toys for the sandpit and puzzles.

School Crossing Petition

You may remember that last year Mrs Pain and members of the DPSA were putting together a petition regarding the dangers faced by pedestrians when crossing Well Lane to access and leave the school premises. We are now seeking the support of the Parish Council to request that the Chelmsford Local Highways Panel review the crossings in both Well Lane and on the Main Road.

If you haven't yet signed the petition, please come into the school office where you can find the document on the front desk. The more signatures we have the better!

We would remind parents not to park or drop off on the yellow zigzags marked with "school keep clear" and not to park on the pavement at the top of the car park on the left or where there are "no parking" signs on the tarmac road down into the carpark itself. We have been informed that there are some drivers repeatedly stopping on the zigzags and this week a parent was manoeuvring their car on the pavement while others were waiting to cross the road with their children!

**Please drive and park safely and with consideration for pedestrians.
The safety of our children is paramount!**

School Lunches - Costs for Summer Term 2019

2nd Half Term: 4th June – 24th July = 37 days at £2.20 = **£81.40**

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

Safeguarding - Keeping Safe

It's now a year ago that the two Johns visited us to talk about keeping our children safe in the digital world.

What was really useful were the strategies they gave parents to support your children: i.e. **NOT** taking devices away or closing down apps, when things go wrong. The approach of talking to your children, exploring new apps together, talking through the dangers and helping them be part of this world is so much safer. Of course negotiating time spent online and establishing ground rules are also vitally important right from the start and this way you can help your child be part of something all their friends will be involved in, but in a safe way. This won't stop situations arising but we hope that the children will be able to talk to you (or us at school) should they encounter difficulties.

The analogy of the children being on a train journey when accessing the exciting digital world and how parents can choose to go along and help them interact with this new way of life or leave them to be exposed to risks and dangers on their own, was very apt.

There are many useful resources for parents on the two Johns' website and please remember they are a non-profit making organisation: <http://www.esafetytraining.org/> . Please take time to have a look.

If you missed the meeting, find a friend who did and spend some time finding out more. As the two Johns suggested, why not have a regular get-together and try out some of the apps that your children are using, yourself.

Let's work together to keep the children safe!

DPSA Summer Fayre

Thank you to everyone who supported the DPSA Summer Fayre last Saturday. The sun shone and we had an enjoyable afternoon. Everyone worked incredibly hard to put this together and it was a huge success.

Without your help and support, we would not have been able to raise such a fantastic sum and this will go towards resources for the children, which we could not otherwise provide.

**Thank you!
Mrs Gooding and Mrs Wray**





Notices and Reminders

Music lessons – Ms Davidson and Mr Calabro, our peripatetic teachers, have spaces for individual recorder and guitar lessons starting in September. If you are interested, please contact the school office staff for details.

11+ Registration – The registration for the 11+ tests with CSSE for admission in September 2020 opens on 14th May. The deadline is 1st July 2019. Please see their website for full details: www.csse.org.uk

KEGS are holding the following tours for prospective students & parents of Year 5 boys to see the school in action: - Tuesday 2 July (am), Wednesday 3 July (am), Thursday 4 July (pm), Friday 5 July (pm)

Letters sent home this week

-  Class C British Museum Visit
-  Class E Colchester Zoo Visit
-  Year 6 Leaver's Trip & Human Biology Meeting
-  Class D Local Danbury Visit & DT Meeting



DPSA News



Summer Fayre Thanks



Thank you to everyone who supported us at the School Summer Fayre last Saturday donating items, shopping, organising the brochure and raffle prizes, setting up, running stalls, clearing away,. We had beautiful weather and everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves. We were able to raise **in excess of £4200** which is a fantastic result.

Raffle Prize winners

1st Prize	£100 Cash prize donated by Church and Hawes	D Smith
2nd Prize	£50 John Lewis Voucher donated by Woodland Montessori	Josh T
3rd Prize	Family of 4 Meal Voucher for Five Guys Restaurant	H Harlowe
	£50 Facial voucher from Chantal at Natural Beauty	A Frost
	£25 Perrywoods Voucher donated by Colin Goodchild painter and decorator	Caleb H
	£25 voucher Sarah Banks Beauty	Ben B
	Gin and glasses set donated by Danbury Bookkeeping Services	Mrs Armstrong
	Gin making Kit donated by Danbury Bookkeeping Services	Charlene
	Marsh Farm 4 person family pass	P Berry
	Marsh Farm 4 person family pass	Emily W
	Marsh Farm 4 person family pass	Evie
	Danbury Sports and Social Gym Membership 1 month	A Biggs
	Cut and blow Dry – Laura Parsons	Pauline
	Barrett & Coe family photo shoot	C Newell
	Barrett & Coe family photo shoot	S Packham
	Barrett & Coe family photo shoot	Heather
	Chelmsford Equestrian Centre child's long rein ½ hr lesson	Keilthy Family
	Polaris Performing Arts School 4 free child sessions	C Herrett
	Meat line £10 voucher	Jack

Thank you to our generous raffle prize sponsors. Thank you also to Michael Fordham for his amazing accordion playing, Irene + John for their teddy stall, Jan Ulmer for her work on the brochure, Alex Hensman and the team of Dads on the BBQ, Professor Joe for the Punch and Judy show and Owen Lyons for the advertising boards.

If you weren't able to collect your prizes at the end of the fayre please collect them from the school office.

End of Year School disco – Next Friday 5th July

The end of year school disco is on Friday 5th July in the school hall. All children are welcome to attend from EYF to year 6. We look forward to seeing you there.



Please let Sally Pain (sallyj@doctors.org.uk) know if you can help or post on Facebook. Thank you.

KS1 (EYF and years 1+2)	6.00 – 7.00pm (£2)
KS2	7.15 - 8.30pm (£2.50)

Sweets and crisps (ranging from 5 -30p) and glostix (20p each or 3 for 50p) will be on sale at both discos. There is also a raffle (20p per ticket) at the KS2 disco. Please do make sure you are aware of how much money your child is bringing to spend.

Adventure Island Wrist Bands - are still available to buy from Nicky Butcher (who does now have a card machine available to use) Contact her on nickythomason@me.com and she will arrange to get them to you. Payments can also be in cash or a cheque made payable to 'The DPSA'. Family and friends are welcome to buy too!

Have a lovely weekend. The DPSA

Owl's Barn School Meals

Week commencing Monday 1st July

Week 1 MONDAY	Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza Or Homemade Pepperoni Pizza	Pasta Twists Sweetcorn Cucumber	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Shortbread Biscuit with Fruit Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
TUESDAY	Local Butchers pork sausage or Vegetarian Quorn Sausage	Creamy Mashed Potato Baked Beans Peas/ Green Salad	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 Rustic Tomato Sauce	White and Wholegrain Rice Garlic Bread Sweetcorn / Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Apple Crumble and Custard Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit
FRIDAY	Harry Ramsden's Fish Fillet or Oven Baked Vegetable Fingers	Chips Mixed Vegetables / Peas Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Flapjack Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit

Dates for the Diary Week beginning 1st July 2019

Mon 1st
All day
10.10am

History Day
TechnoGames at WDF School (invited Year 5 pupils)
Assembly with the local librarian about the Summer Reading Challenge

Tues 2nd
All day
Am
Pm

TechnoGames at WDF School (invited Year 5 pupils)
Road Safety talk and walk for Year 5 pupils
EES English Competition Finals

Weds 3rd
2.50pm

Celebration Assembly

Thurs 4th

Fri 5th
9.30am
6.00pm
7.15pm

New entrants to visit; meet the teacher class swaps
DPSA Infant Disco
DPSA Junior Disco

**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

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Dates for Summer Term 2019

Date	Time	Event
July		
1 st		History Day
		TechnoGames at WDF (invited Year5 pupils x3)
2 nd		TechnoGames at WDF (invited Year5 pupils x3)
		Road Safety Walk Year5
		EES English Competition Finals
3 rd	2.50pm	Celebration Assembly
4 th	4.30pm	Year 6 Human Biology meeting for parents
5 th	9.30am	Meet your new teacher for next year and new entrants to visit
	6.00 – 7.00pm 7.15 – 8.30pm	DPSA Infant Disco DPSA Junior Disco
8 th		Classes Goldfinch and Flamingo Africa Day
9 th	9.00am	Class Dove Local Area Walk
10 th	2.50pm	Class Hummingbird Assembly
11 th	9.15am	Welcome to Year 3 meeting for parents
11 th	7.00pm	Full governing body meeting
12 th		Class Cuckoo to British Museum
	2.50pm	Class Jay Assembly
16 th	9.30am	Year 6 Presentation to school
17 th	9.15am	Year 6 Leaver's Trip
17 th	1.30pm	New entrants activity afternoon
18 th	8.45am	Class Eider to Colchester Zoo
19 th	2.50pm	Celebration Assembly
22 nd		Sports Day Open afternoon
23 rd	12.00pm	Special Year 6 Leavers' Lunch
	1.30pm	DPS's got Talent
24 th	9.15am	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
	3.25pm	School closes for the summer break