

Danbury Park Community Primary School

Be wise, be happy, belong!

Newsletter



Website: www.danburypark.essex.sch.uk

27th September 2019

Dear Parents,

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

Daisy P - Diamond Holly B - Gold

Our First Celebration Assembly of the year is on 9th October at 2.50pm

Families are welcome to join us.

Danbury Park School Lottery



We are pleased to announce the launch of the Danbury Park School Lottery.

The first draw will be on Saturday 9th November so this gives us plenty of time to rally support and for families and friends to buy their tickets. There are local cash prizes every week, extra cash prizes this term as well as a chance to win a £25 000 jackpot.

For every £1 spent by our supporters, the school will receive 40p with the rest of the money going towards the prize fund and administration cost. We hope you will agree that for an investment of as little as £1, our supporters have a chance of winning, whilst the school wins every time.

The money raised from the lottery will be used by the school to fund projects, activities and to buy resources that we wouldn't be able to do otherwise. There will be regular updates in the newsletter on exactly how the support is growing and how much money we have raised and what it has been spent on. At the moment we would like to purchase more reading scheme books throughout the school as well as new dictionaries, thesauruses and up-to-date atlases.

The whole process is very simple and to take part you need to go online at www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Danbury Park Community Primary School. We will also e-mail out a direct link to the website via Parentmail. Anyone can take part but supporters must be 16 years of age or older and we do ask that you gamble responsibly.



2019 Harvest Collection

This harvest we're again asking you to help local people by collecting tinned and dried food for the Chelmsford foodbank. The foodbank provides short term emergency food to people in crisis. Food is given as an intervention strategy which allows care professionals, such as Housing Support Officers, CAB advisers, Social Services, doctors etc, time to put longer term measures in place. People are given enough food for three days. Food is distributed from the foodbank centre based at the Trinity Methodist Church, Rainsford Road.

At the foodbank centre people also have access to information about other services and support organisations. It is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:00am to 12:30pm. All food given out by the foodbank is donated by generous members of the public. Everyday people experience crisis in our community for a variety of reasons from redundancy to ill health to an unexpected bill on a low income. Some simply struggle to make ends meet.

Harvest Shopping List

Tinned food

Fish
Fruit
Meat
Custard
Potatoes
Spaghetti
Tomatoes
Rice Puddings

Sachets

Mash
Soup
Pasta
Custard

Packets

Rice
Biscuits
Sponge Puddings

Other

Fruit Squash
Long life Milk
Chocolate Treats
Long life Fruit Juice
Jam/Honey/Spreads

Non-Food stuff

Shampoo
Handwash
Shower Gel
Deodorants
Tin Openers
Tooth Brushes
Washing up Liquid
Washing powder & liquid

Additional items

Printing paper
Permanent markers
Ball point/gel pens

We want to help our local foodbank feed people in need. Please join with us by donating food so that those less fortunate don't go hungry.

N.B Please make sure all food is packaged, in date and undamaged. Thank you!

All donations of food can be brought into school between **Monday 30th Sept and Friday 11th October 2019.**

If you have a car and are able to volunteer to deliver the food to please let the office know.

Thank you

Aldi Kit for Schools

The supermarket chain Aldi are running a competition for schools and we would like to take part. We could win an exclusive school sports kit, or even an amazing £20,000 cash prize.

All we need to do, is collect Team GB stickers!

Shoppers can now pick up Team GB stickers at Aldi stores nationwide, to send into school. All the school needs to do, is add the stickers to our Aldi's Kit for Schools poster - 300 stickers guarantees our school a sports kit and a shot at our £20,000 prize.

The poster will be on display in the main hall and we will give you regular updates in the newsletters.

Please support us!

Wanted!

Now that the children are back in school and you have time to tidy up the house and perhaps have a clear-out for the village jumble sale, we would just like to remind you to think about what toys might be useful to school.

We are particularly in need of Lego and Duplo as well as Playmobil and balance bikes and small bikes with stabilisers. If in doubt please ask, as we would hate to miss out.

Thank you

Mental Health and Well-being

This is a matter that is very much in the news at the moment and affects us all.

Danbury Parish Council are busy organising free half-day workshops for adults to explore common mental health challenges and how to spot them.

There is a poster on our notice board with full details but if you are interested please contact:

Danbury Parish Council Office on 01245 225111 or parish.council@danbury-essex.gov.uk

Governor News





I am pleased to inform you that we have received two nominations for the parent governor vacancy.

This means that we will now be holding a ballot. Voting papers along with information about the candidates will be sent home next week.

Safeguarding

At Danbury Park School we take e-safety seriously. At the beginning of every school year, as part of our computing curriculum, our pupils are taught about e-safety. This is then re-visited every term to reinforce the message of personal safety. The elements of computing are embedded across all subjects in the curriculum and our pupils regularly use the internet as part of their learning. In school, we use a filtering system to protect children from accessing inappropriate sites, but we also teach them what they should do if they should access unsuitable material which could happen when using networks at home or at a friend's.

In the past we have organised parent information workshops to help you keep abreast of the new technology with the aim of helping you keep your children safe at home and we would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some tips to help you to keep your children safe online:

-  Set up your computer in a shared area at home so that you can see the sites they are accessing;
-  Set your security levels so that you can limit access to sites and time spent on electronic devices;
-  Talk to your child about what they are doing online and check their search histories and communication logs frequently;
-  Talk to your child about keeping their personal information private.

There are some excellent resources available and we would like to suggest the following sites which provide more detailed information:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/How-to-guides/>

http://old.kidsmart.org.uk/downloads/cn_parentleafletV2.pdf

Let's work together to keep the children safe!

School Lunches - Costs for Autumn Term 2019

1st Half Term: 4th September – 24th October = 37 days at £2.20 = **£81.40**

2nd Half Term: 4th November – 19th December = 34 days at £2.20 = **£74.80**

Total for Autumn Term £156.20

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.** You will only pay for those meals that your child has and any credits will be carried forward to the next term. Thank you.

Notices and Reminders

Sports Kits – Please ensure that all PE kits are brought into school.

Music lessons – Ms Davidson has spaces for individual recorder lessons starting in September. We run a waiting list for piano & guitar lessons if your child would like to have tuition. If you are interested, please contact the school office staff for details.

Piano lessons this week – sadly Mrs Long has not been very well this week. She will make up any missed lessons before the end of term.




Art club – Mrs Butler has a few spaces if anyone would like to join Art club. Please ask in the office for her contact details.

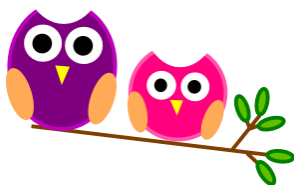
Curriculum Maps – Details of what your child will be learning this term has been uploaded to the class pages of school website today. These give you a snap shot of topics and areas covered in each class. We hope you find them useful.

Year 7 entry for September 2020 – Please check the secondary school websites for dates of their open days.

Harvest Lunch – Thursday 3rd October – Don't forget the special Harvest lunch next week. The deadline for the scarecrow colouring competition is Monday so please make sure your entries are in by then.

Letters sent home this week

-  Danbury Park School Lottery
-  Parent Consultation Meetings
-  Flu Immunisation Consent Forms



DPSA News



School disco tonight (Years 1-6)

We are holding a 'back to school disco' to kick off the new term. The DPSA run a disco every term but restrict the Autumn term disco to years 1- 6. The disco can be quite daunting to the EYFS children but we look forward to welcoming them to their first disco in January.

KS1 (years 1+2 only) 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.

DPSA AGM

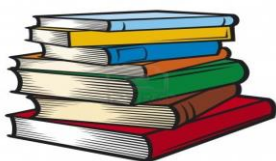
The DPSA AGM will be on **Tuesday 15th October at 7.30pm** in the school hall. Please do come along and hear about how much was raised last year and what the money has been spent on. Let us know what you thought and share any new ideas you might have. New parents are always welcome to join the DPSA committee.

Class H Rep

We have had 2 people volunteer to share the role of Rep for class Hummingbird. Their contact details are below. If you have a child in class H please do forward your contact details on to them.

Claire G clareg11bert@yahoo.co.uk
Ellie F ellie.fraser@outlook.com

The Big Book Collection



The Big Book Collection of donated children's books over the last couple of years has added **several hundred books** to the school library. The collection box is back to continue this term. If you have any **good quality books or audio CDs** your children no longer use or have outgrown please leave them in the box by the school office. We are looking for all types of books in good condition from Early Years Foundation up to year 6 - fiction, poetry, non-fiction. Thank you.

Craft Collection Box



We are also putting out a separate box looking for any unwanted craft items you may have at home such as colouring pencils, wax crayons, felt tip pens, coloured card, buttons, sequins, Pritt sticks, Sellotape, masking tape, laminating pouches. We don't need individual craft kits, paint or PVA glue. Items will be added to the school resource store and shared by all classes.

Christmas Wreath Making Workshops Thursday 28th November and Thursday 5th December in the school hall 7.30pm



This year we have arranged 2 opportunities to learn how to make an amazing Christmas door wreath under the supervision of a professional florist. The cost will be £35 per person payable on booking. All materials will be provided and you will have a lovely door wreath for Christmas to take home at the end of the evening. Forms will go out in book bags very soon so do save the dates.

Dates for the diary 2019




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| <u>September</u> | Fri 27 th | School Disco |
| <u>October</u> | Tues 15 th | AGM |
| | Sat 19 th | Jumble Sale |
| | Tues 22 nd | Bag2school |
| <u>November</u> | Thurs 28 th | Xmas Wreath Making Evening |
| | Sat 30 th | Christmas Fayre 2-4pm |
| <u>December</u> | Thurs 5 th | Xmas Wreath Making Workshop |

Have a lovely weekend. The DPSA



Owl's Barn School Meals

Week commencing Monday 30th September

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| 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 | Homemade Sausage Roll Vegetarian Sausage Roll | Potato wedges Sweetcorn Peas and Salad | NO Jacket Potato | Decorated Chocolate Harvest Cake Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit |
| FRIDAY | Local Butchers Sausage in a roll or Quorn Sausage in a roll | Chips Baked Beans Peas Salad | Jacket Potato with a choice of filling | Chocolate Crispie Bar Organic Fruit Yoghurt Selection of Fresh Fruit |

Dates for the Diary

Week beginning 30th September 2019

Mon 30th

Tues 1st Oct

Weds 2nd

Am

Pm

Individual School Photos

Girls' Football Tournament at GBHS

Boys' Football Tournament at GBHS

Thurs 3rd

4.30pm

School Census Day

Governors' Curriculum Committee meeting

Fri 4th

2.50pm

Class Budgerigar's assembly

**Full term dates for the academic year 2019-20
and for 2020-21 are available on the school website.**

Yours sincerely

Carol Gooding
Headteacher

Danbury Park Community Primary School

Dates for Autumn Term 2019

| Date | Time | Event |
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| October | | |
| 2 nd | | Individual school photos |
| | Am | Yr 5/6 Girls' Football Tournament tbc |
| | Pm | Yr 5/6 Boys' Football Tournament |
| 3 rd | 4.30pm | Curriculum Committee Meeting |
| 4 th | 2.50pm | Class B Assembly |
| 7 th | 6.30pm | Pay Committee meeting |
| | 7.00pm | Personnel Committee meeting |
| 8 th | Am | Pre-school Activity Morning |
| 9 th | 2.50pm | Celebration Assembly |
| 10 th | 6.30pm | Welcome to Year 6 meeting for parents |
| 11 th | | Yr 3/4 and 5/6 Tag Rugby Tournaments |
| 15 th | 7.30pm | DPSA AGM |
| 17 th | | Classes Jay and Hummingbird to Barleylands |
| 18 th | 2.50pm | Class C Assembly |
| 21 st | | Flu Vaccination |
| 22 nd | 10.00am | EYFS & KS1 Autumn Celebration to KS2 & Visitors |
| | 3.40 – 6.10pm | Parent Consultations – all classes |
| 24 th | 2.45pm | EYFS & KS1 Autumn Celebration to parents |
| | 6.00 – 8.30pm | Parent Consultations – all classes |
| 25 th | | School closed for staff training |
| 28th Oct – 1st Nov | | Half-term |
| November | | |
| 4 th | Pm | CSSP Tag Rugby Tournament at Writtle |
| 6 th | 9.30 -11.30am | Open Morning for prospective parents |
| 8 th | 2.50pm | Class D Assembly |
| 12 th | 1.45pm | Open afternoon for prospective parents |
| 14 th | 6.30pm | Resources Committee meeting |
| 15 th | 2.50pm | Class E Assembly |
| 15 th tbc | | Children in Need |
| 19 th | 9.30 -11.30am | Open Morning for prospective parents |
| 20 th | 2.50pm | Celebration Assembly |
| Week beg 25 th Nov | | End of Term Assessment Week |
| 30 th | 2.00pm – 4.00pm | DPSA Christmas Fayre |
| December | | |
| 11 th | | Christmas Lunch |
| 13 th | tbc | Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsals |
| 16 th | Tbc | Filming of Christmas plays |
| 17 th | 2.15pm & 6.00pm | EYFS & KS1 Christmas Performance |
| 18 th | 1.45pm & 6.30pm | KS2 Christmas Performance |
| 19 th | 9.10am | Celebration Assembly |
| | Pm | Christmas Party |
| | | End of Term |

| Spring Term 2020 | | |
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| 11 th February | 3.40 – 6.10pm | Parent Consultations – all classes |
| 13 th February | 6.00 – 8.30pm | Parent Consultations – all classes |
| 9 th March | Am | NSPCC Assemblies and workshops <u>Assembly x 2 – Monday 9th March</u> KS2 = 9:05-9:35am KS1 = 10:50-11:10am <u>Year 5/6 workshops x 2 – Monday 9th March</u> Workshop 1 = 9:35-10:30am Workshop 2 = 11:20-12:20pm |