

Danbury Park Community Primary School

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Newsletter



Website: www.danburypark.essex.sch.uk

6th September 2019

Dear Parents,

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

Oscar N – Diamond

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

Families are welcome to join us.

Welcome Back!

We hope that you all had a good summer holiday and made the most of the time together.

The new academic year has started well with the new children in the Reception year group joining us this week. This is a big step for them but they are settling in well and making many new friends.

This term we have been joined by Mrs Corin Evans, who is teaching Class Cuckoo, Mrs Sarah Smith, who is teaching Class Hummingbird, and Mrs Diane Jamieson, who is teaching Class Jay on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays whilst Miss Bridge is on maternity leave. We have also been joined by Mrs Lucy Williams as our new Get Active Promoter at lunchtimes organising the Daily Mile.

We have also had some changes of roles within the school and some teachers and teaching assistants have swapped year groups with Mrs Marsland, Mrs Wainwright and Mrs Backshall now teaching in Class Budgerigar, Mrs Crouch now teaching in Class Jay and Mrs Anstee moving to Class Cuckoo.

We hope that all the children and adults joining Danbury Park School will be very happy here.

Sadly we had some sad news over the summer with the passing away of Mrs Joyce Tickner. Those of you who have had older children go through the school, will remember that Mrs Tickner had a long association with the school and she volunteered on a regular basis supporting the teaching staff and the children in class through hearing the children read and teaching them traditional crafts. She was tireless and generous in giving of her time and every year she would run a lunchtime club to make items to sell at the DPSA fayres. After nominations from the school in Autumn 2011 she was awarded the British Empire Medal in recognition of her voluntary activities and support. In the last few years she became too frail to join us in school. She passed away peacefully in a nursing home after a long and busy life.

Clubs

Autumn 2019-20

We are in the process of getting our clubs and extra-curricular activities up and running with some starting next week. Our timetable so far is:

	Before School	Lunchtime	After School
Monday		French with Mrs Croucher, La Jolie Ronde Catch up lessons	Netball Club To be arranged
Tuesday	Cheerleading with Premier Sport 8.00am – 8.45am Year 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6	French with Mrs Croucher, La Jolie Ronde Years 3 & 4 Year 2	Football with Chelmsford City 3.30pm-4.30pm, Years 2 & 3 Tennis with Danbury Tennis Club 3.30pm – 4.15pm, Years 3 & 4
Wednesday		Spanish Mrs Mason Years 1 & 2	Multisports 3.25pm – 4.20pm Years 1- 6 Guides 7.00pm – 8:30pm
Thursday	Athletics with Premier Sport 8.00am – 8.45am Year 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6	French with Mrs Croucher, La Jolie Ronde Year 1 Girls Football 12.30pm to 12.50pm, Year 3, 4, 5 & 6	Boys Football 3.25pm to 4.20pm, Year 4, 5 & 6 Grundy Gym Club 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Friday		Spanish Mrs Mason Years 3 & 4	KS2 Tag Rugby with Maldon Rugby Club 3.30pm – 4.30pm Spanish Mrs Mason 3:30 pm – 4:14pm Years 5 & 6 Art Club with Mrs Butler 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Letters have already been sent home and most clubs will be up and running by next week. Please note French club starts week beginning 16th September.

We are pleased with the variety and range of clubs that we are able to offer and we hope that you will take advantage of this.

Contacting School on First Day of Absence And Keeping our Children Safe

There may be times during the year when your child is unable to attend school for a number of reasons. It is vital that you contact us promptly on the first day of absence and parents should always inform us of the reason. We have a dedicated answerphone on the school number so messages can be left at any time. We do ask that phone messages are followed up by a written note which can be handed in to the class teacher.

Last summer holiday, the Department for Education strengthened its regulations for keeping children safe and we are required to follow these. Our procedure is to check the registers every morning by 9.30am and if your child is absent, and we have not heard from you, we will phone you to establish why your child is not in school. Parents are required to provide at least two emergency contact numbers to the school, so we are able to communicate with someone if we need to. Later this term we will send out our data collection sheets so that you can check that the information we hold is still current and complete. In the meantime if there have been any changes, please let us know in writing.

Please note that where contact cannot be made, a referral may be made to another appropriate agency (Missing Education and Child Employment Service, Social Care or Police).

Let's work together to keep the children safe!

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

Netball Club

We are still hoping to continue with netball club after school this year in Miss Bridge's absence. We are looking for any parents who play netball who can support our teachers in running this club after school, otherwise we will approach Premier Sports.

Please let the school office or Mrs Gooding know if you can help.

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.

Governor News

Sadly at the end of last academic year Ms Emma Sanford stepped down from her role as parent governor. Letters will be sent out next week regarding the election of a new parent governor.

If you have any questions. Please do not hesitate to contact either Mrs Gooding or one of our existing governors, if you require any further information. This is a very rewarding and interesting way of giving something back to the school.





Notices and Reminders

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

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

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.

Letters sent home this week

-  Permission to walk home for Year 5 & 6
-  Class D Visit to Sutton Hoo
-  Class C Visit to Colchester Castle
-  Class B Visit to Audley End



DPSA News



Class Reps for this year

Thank you to all our Class Reps from last year who did an excellent job. The Class Reps act as a link between the DPSA, school and parents to hopefully improve communication. Class Reps are a great way of making sure you never miss important things like dress down days and disco! The Reps we have so far are:-

Class A	Louise E	louise.chandler@yahoo.com
Class B	VACANT	
Class C	VACANT	
Class D	Michelle P	michelle@s4b.online
Class E	Claire G	clareg11bert@yahoo.co.uk
Class F	Ellie F	ellie.fraser@outlook.com
Class G	Susan C	susan.caulfield@hotmail.co.uk
Class H	Sarah W	mrssarahwhite@outlook.com
Class J	Bonnie	bonniet2011@hotmail.co.uk
	Kim U	Kimberly.underwood87@gmail.com

Please email sallyj@doctors.org.uk or message on Facebook if you'd like to volunteer for classes B or C. Please email your Reps so they have your contact information to add to their list.

School disco – Friday 27th September (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)

We need helpers for both discos so please let Sally Pain (sallyj@doctors.org.uk) or your class rep know if you can help or post on Facebook. Thank you.

Adventure Island Wrist Bands

Adventure Island is open October half term and every weekend until 16th November;

Blue Bands (over 1.2m height) **DPSA cost £18** - saving £4.50 on the internet price and £12 on the 'on the day'

Green Bands (1.0 -1.2m height) / **Red Bands** (under 1m height) **DPSA cost £15** – saving up to £3.75 on the internet price and up to £10 on the 'on the day price'

To buy wristband vouchers (valid until the end of the year) contact Nicky at nickythomason@me.com who will arrange to get them to you. Payments can be in card, cash, or cheque (made payable to The DPSA.) Family and friends are welcome to buy too!

Dates for the diary 2019



<u>September</u>	Fri 27th	School Disco
<u>October</u>	Sat 19 th	Jumble Sale
	Tues 22nd	Bag2school
<u>November</u>	Sat 30 th	Christmas Fayre

Did you know we have a DPSA Facebook page?

Like us on Facebook and make sure you know what's happening when. Our page is constantly updated so you never forget things important things like non-uniform day and cake sales!!

Have a good weekend! The DPSA



Owl's Barn School Meals

Week commencing Monday 9th September

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 Bolognaise or Vegetarian Quorn Bolognaise	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	Sticky chicken or Macaroni Cheese	White and Wholegrain Rice , Broccoli Sweetcorn Green Salad	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Angel Delight with Fruit 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 9th September 2019

Mon 9th

Tues 10th

Weds 11th

Thurs 12th

Fri 13th

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

Yours sincerely

Carol Gooding
Headteacher

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Dates for Autumn Term 2019

Date	Time	Event
September		
14 th		CCHS 11+
19 th	2.45pm	EYFS Reading meeting for parents
	7.00pm	Full governing body meeting
21 st		11+
23 rd		Class D to Sutton Hoo
24 th		Class C to Colchester Castle
25 th		Class B to Audley End
27 th	2.50pm	Class A Assembly
		Macmillan Fundraising Event
	6.00pm 7.15pm	DPSA KS1 Disco DPSA KS2 Disco
October		
2 nd		Individual school photos
	Am Pm	Yr 5/6 Girls' Football Tournament tbc Yr 5/6 Boys' Football Tournament
3 rd	4.30pm	Curriculum Committee Meeting
4 th	2.50pm	Class B Assembly
7 th	6.30pm 7.00pm	Pay Committee meeting Personnel Committee meeting
8 th	Am	Pre-school Activity Morning
9 th	2.50pm	Celebration Assembly
11 th		Yr 3/4 and 5/6 Tag Rugby Tournaments
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	12.00 – 2.00pm	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		
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