

# Danbury Park Community Primary School Be wise, be happy, belong!

# Newsletter

Website: www.danburypark.essex.sch.uk

14th May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### **Reading Awards**

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

Poppy H - Ruby Harry B - Emerald Lexie F - Emerald Arabella E - Topaz Olivia H - Silver

Certificates will be presented in class by Mrs Gooding

#### **Weekly Update**

This week we were once again invited to help the Parish Council with their project to install a new playground at Dawson Memorial Field in the village. Before Easter the children in Class Budgerigar took part in a zoom meeting where Michelle Harper, the clerk to the council, showed the children various items of play equipment and asked the children for their thoughts on whether this would be good to include in a playground design. As ever the children had very definite opinions and backed these with their reasons. Michelle collated the information to give to the various companies as part of their design brief. From this work, it also made us think about our adventure play equipment and how we could start using this again. We are pleased that from this work we put in place a rota so that it is now back in use and the children are appreciating the extra space to play.

This week Michelle gave us large posters, which we displayed in the hall, from the four companies invited to tender for the project. Each class in turn visited the hall and the children studied the layouts, the variety of equipment and the suitability for all ages. They then voted for their favourite design and gave comments on individual items. This will help the Parish Council decide on the final design. We are pleased to be involved in local matters helping to shape the future of the village.





I hope that you have had the opportunity to read the letter from Clare Kershaw, ECC Director of Education, about the lifting of COVID restrictions that was sent out earlier this week. I attended a meeting for headteachers and we were informed that as schools we need to proceed with extreme caution over the next few weeks. Bubbles and staggered timetables still need to be in place. They also advised us that as parents and adults are gathering in groups of more than 30 at the school gates and we cannot guarantee they will be standing 2m apart, schools should continue to ask parents to wear face coverings for the time being. We would appreciate your support in working together to keep all our community as safe as possible. Remember infection rates may be low but the virus us still out there! Thank you.

### **Thoughtful, Caring Children**

As I'm sure some of you have seen, Poppy has had a haircut! Off her own back she decided to donate her hair to The Princess Trust for children with cancer. Her mum posted off 12inches (30 cm) of her beautiful hair which hopefully will be used by a child in need.

In the process the family has set up a *go fund me* page to raise funds for the DPSA and the School. So far she has raised an incredible £1,035 which is such an achievement and will be put to good use by the school.

Her *go fund me* page is still live so hopefully this might grow, here is the link if you would like further information: gf.me/u/zsgdyi

We are all very proud of Poppy.



#### **Safeguarding**

#### Live streaming on TikTok and other platforms

We have been asked to share with you some emerging concerns around involving TikTok. There is a facility on TikTok whereby 1000 followers enables a person to be able to broadcast live, and some children and young people at schools are broadcasting live using this and possibly other platforms. Live streaming is the broadcasting of live video to an audience or on a one-to-one basis in real time. During public live streams viewers can participate by 'liking' videos and adding comments which can be seen by the person broadcasting, and by other viewers. It is also possible for viewers to contact broadcasters who are live streaming or who have live streamed.

Any person with a TikTok or similar platform account can use live streaming. Many children and young people do this, for example to sing and dance and to talk about things, perhaps with the aim of attracting more viewers and to be someone who is 'trending' online. This type of activity is popular among children and young people, including primary school children.

There are risks for children and young people associated with broadcasting live online, and in engaging with other people's broadcasts, including:

- viewing inappropriate content (such as sexual or violent videos);
- communicating with people that are unknown to them;
- children and young people may be broadcasting from their bedroom, unsupervised making an additional forum in which abuse may take place;
- there could be thousands of people watching a live stream at any time, including those who are looking to harm children and young people it is possible to move a child or young person from a live stream to a private one;
- coercion or manipulation to create and share indecent images of themselves while live streaming;
- live videos can be recorded and shared.

Children and young people can be reassured that if something happens while live streaming it is not their fault, and reminded to seek support from parents and carers or school staff if they are worried about anything, or if something has happened. Resources are also available from various organisations including those referred to above, and others such as <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhi/happens">Thinkuknow</a>, and the <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhi/happens">NSPCC</a>.

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



Please remember to support our School lottery. Thank you to those parents who over the year have donated their winnings back to the school. We are very grateful! The funds raised help us proceed with projects such as the EYFS outdoor area that otherwise we couldn't afford!

#### Children's Well-being

This week is Mental Health Awareness Week and in our assembly on Monday, we talked about how we all need to acknowledge our emotions, whether good or bad, and share them. We used a PowerPoint put together by bccs, who provide an expert counselling service to the school.



The main character was Horace who was trying to manage his own feelings but they grew and got out of hand until he shared them with an adult.

Bccs is a charity organisation that supports schools and families with specialist counselling services. Their details are:

bccs - Brentwood Catholic Children's Society 01268 784544

www.bccs.org.uk





### PHEW!

**Parenting Help for Emotional** Wellbeing

"I cannot stop worrying" "I don't want to go to school" "They don't seem very happy" "They seem to be unable to cope with their emotions and I don't know how to help them"

The Essex Child and Family Wellbeing service are offering a 30 minute virtual appointment for you to discuss your current challenges and offer strategies to best support your child or young person's emotional wellbeing.

We can signpost you to online resources and recommend services that best support your child or young person's needs.

www.essexfamilywellbeing.co.uk

Last Monday of the Month (excluding Bank Holidays) Appointments available throughout the day Please contact 0300 247 0014 to book









# **Brown Tailed Moth Caterpillars**

We have been asked to pass on some information from the local village facebook page as it would seem that there is a sudden large number of Brown Tailed Moth caterpillars in the lower back car park of Danbury Sports and Social. These caterpillar hairs can cause rashes and breathing difficulties, so please be vigilant and let the older children know to stay away.

#### School Lunches - Costs for Summer Term 2021

 $1^{st}$  Half Term:  $12^{th}$  April –  $28^{th}$  May 2021 (excluding May  $3^{rd}$ ) = 34 days at £2.25 = £76.50  $2^{nd}$  Half Term:  $8^{th}$  June –  $21^{st}$  July 2021 = 32 days at £2.25 = £72.00

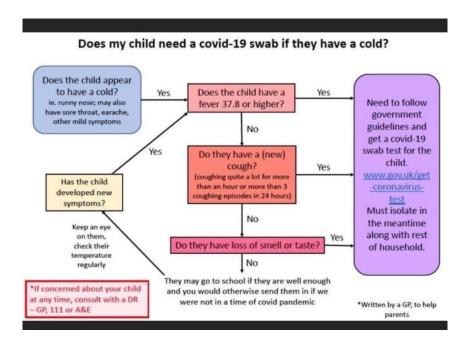
Total for the Summer Term = £148.50

Please send monies in with your child via the book bags in a named envelope making cheques payable to Danbury Park Primary School. Please note the change of payee as we now have our own bank account and no longer come under the ECC umbrella. This change also means that meals should be paid for in advance 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 note Key Stage 1 and EYFS are entitled to Universal Free School Meals.

#### **COVID-19 Support**

Now that we are back in school and households are mixing within class bubbles, it is vital that parents are vigilant for signs of COVID and act promptly. Please inform us if your child has suspected COVID or tests positive for COVID-19.

We thought this might be useful to parents in trying to decide if their child needs a test.



#### **Notification and Reminders**

**After-school multi-sports -** Sessions for classes B, E and H start the week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> May so please make sure that you have signed up on the Premier Sports website.

**School Reading Books** - Can parents please check at home for any school reading books. We are missing quite a few new books from the infant selection. Thank you!

Free School Meals — Due to Covid-19 we understand that your circumstances may have changed or may change in the near future and you may now be eligible for free school meals. To check eligibility please contact Essex County Council on 0345 603 2200 or for more information and online application go to <a href="https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals">https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals</a>

#### Letters/Parentmail sent out this week

- Class A Residential Trip to Wat Tyler Country Park
- Letter to Parents from Clare Kershaw, ECC Director of Education



# **DPSA News**



## 2<sup>nd</sup> DPSA Charity Golf Day – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June



Would you like another chance of a day out in the fresh air, socialising with friends in a Covid secure way on a beautiful gold course with a chance to win a fantastic prize?

Join us then on the second DPSA charity golf day at The Warren Golf Club, Woodham Walter.

The cost is £50 per person including breakfast and this time includes automatic entry into the longest drive and nearest the pin competitions.

For more information and to book a place contact Nick Moore at GOLF.DPSA@GMAIL.COM

#### Adventure Island Wrist Bands Vouchers - valid until the end of 2021



DPSA Adventure Island wristband vouchers are now available to buy from the main tills at the Danbury Co-op. The Co-op are kindly doing this to support the school free of charge and each time we sell a voucher we raise much needed funds for the school.

The vouchers are again exceptionally good value as they are <a href="mailto:now £15">now £15</a>
<a href="mailto:each">each</a> and there is only one band for all ages - you are saving £5 per voucher on the internet price and £10 on the 'on the day' price. Height restrictions do still apply on the individual rides.

Adventure Island is now open (check their website for times) and all vouchers bought can be exchanged at any time in 2021 for a wristband at the Adventure Island entrance. Anyone can buy them so please do spread the word to neighbours, work colleagues, family and friends.

#### The Big Childrens' 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. If you have any **good quality books or audio CDs** your children no longer use or have outgrown please leave them in a bag 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.

#### **Donated School Uniform**

Thank you all for your kind donations of school uniform. Going forward we are only taking uniform with the school emblem on it, no grey skirts or trousers.

#### Other ways to help raise money for the school



easyfundraising





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#### Did you know we have a DPSA Facebook page?

Like us on Facebook to make sure you know what's happening and when. If you'd like to join our team organizing events and raising money for the school, please message us on Facebook and we'll be in touch. Have a good weekend.

The DPSA



#### **Owl's Barn School Meals**

#### Week commencing Monday 17th May

Week 3 Monday	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake or Vegetable Nuggets	Garlic Bread Cucumber Sweetcorn	Key Stage 2 only Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Chocolate Brownie Fresh Fruit Fruit Yoghurt
Tuesday	Homemade Minced Beef Wrap or Roasted Vegetable Wrap	White and Wholegrain Rice Peas Carrot Sticks	Key Stage 2 only Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Giant Oaty Cookie Fresh Fruit Fruit Yoghurt
Wednesday	Local Butcher's Pork Sausages with or Yorkshire Pudding Cheddar Whirl	Creamy Mashed Potato Baked Beans Green Salad	Key Stage 2 only Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Apple crumble and custard  Fresh Fruit  Fruit Yoghurt
Thursday	Homemade Pork Meatballs or Vegan meatballs both in tomato sauce	White and Wholegrain Pasta Sweetcorn Green Salad	Key Stage 2 only Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Shortbread Biscuit with fruit Fresh Fruit Fruit Yoghurt
Friday	Omega 3 Fish Fingers or Cheese and Tomato Quiche	Chips Peas Cucumber	Key Stage 2 only Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Iced Sponge Cake Fresh Fruit Fruit Yoghurt

### Dates for the Diary Week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Mon 17<sup>th</sup>

2.45pm Whole school assembly via zoom

7.00pm Governors Personnel Committee Meeting

Tues 18th

3.20 - 4.20pm Class B Multi-Sports

Weds 19th

2.45pm Let's Present

3.20 - 4.20pm Class E Multi-Sports

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup>

3.20 - 4.20pm Class H Multi-Sports

Fri 21st Chance to Shine Cricket for classes E, D, C and B (as part of PE lessons)

2.45pm Whole school assembly via zoom

Full term dates for this academic year 2020-21and for next 2021-22 are available on the school website. Dates for this term will follow shortly once we have a clearer understanding of what and how school events can be held during this time.

Yours sincerely

Carol Gooding Headteacher

# CHELMSFORD CITY FC FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY







#### WHITSUN INDOOR/OUTDOOR SOCCER COURSES

COURSE CODE	DATE	TIME	AGE	VENUE	COST				
SOCCER COURSE									
CF1	1-2 JUNE (2 DAYS)	9.30-2.30	4-14	CHELMER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL COURT RD, BROOMFIELD, CHELMSFORD	£35				
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GK1	1-2 JUNE (2DAYS)	9.30-2.30	6-14	CHELMER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL COURT RD, BROOMFIELD					
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."YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE THE BEST, JUST THE BEST THAT YOU CAN BE."									
COME AND HAVE FOOTBALL FUN WITH QUALIFIED, DBS CHECKED COACHES. YOU WILL BE COACHED ACCORDING TO AGE AND ABILITY.									
PLEASE LIKE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CHELMSFORDCITYFCFOOTBALLINTHECOMMUNITY									
PLEASE BRING SUITABLE CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR FOR INDOORS AND OUT ON GRASS, PLENTY OF NON-FIZZY DRINK, A HEALTH' MORNING SNACK AND A PACKED LUNCH.  PLEASE FILL IN THE APPLICATION BELOW AND RETURN IT WITH PAYMENT TO:  CHRIS FINCH, FITC, 3 CLARK WAY, BROOMFIELD, CHELMSFORD, ESSEX, CM1 7ZS.  (IF CONFIRMATION IS REQUIRED PLEASE ENCLOSE A S.A.E OR TICK THE BOX FOR E-MAIL CONFIRMATION)  CHEQUES SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO CHELMSFORD CITY FC.  BANK TRANSFER DETAILS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST  For further details contact Chris Finch, Community Officer on 07990673213 or  Stoppercoach@aol.com									
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