



DILS News

Dunstable Icknield Lower School Newsletter Issue 2
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Apologies for the delayed publication of Issue 2 of DILS News due to internet connection problems beyond our control.

Reminders for all parents – We have had a very productive start to the new school year and it would seem the perfect time to remind everyone about some of the expectations at DILS.

Attendance – It has been wonderful to see so many children actively involved in their learning this week and is a reminder to me of how important school attendance is to an individual's progress. At DILS we want every child to learn and this happens most easily when children attend school.

Our school acknowledges that each family's circumstances are different and works in partnership with parents to provide the best education for every child. Children's welfare is of paramount importance to us and we believe that regular attendance throughout the year is essential for their success and fulfilment. Therefore, this year we will be closely monitoring absences and if we are concerned about the level of absence we will be writing to parents to let them know.

A copy of the schools' attendance policy can be found on the website; got to the school information tab and choose school policies from the drop-down menu.

Lost Property – There is already a huge collection of lost property and uniform in school. Please ensure that every item of clothing and all belongings are clearly marked with your child's name and class. This way the items can find their way back to the owner. At the end of each term we will be sending unclaimed lost property items to a local charity shop.

Treats and Cakes at School - Every day we encourage the children to eat well and live a healthy lifestyle. At home there are often many opportunities for children to have treats and cakes, so it is not necessary to have these things at school. Please do not send your child to school with sweets, treats or cakes to share with friends. The staff will not give them out to children as they may contain allergens which could be harmful to some children.

Parent Teacher Association – Did you know if your child is a pupil at DILS then you are automatically a member of the PTA? The PTA do a fantastic job in supporting the school and the money they raise benefits all children across the school every year. The PTA Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday 28 September at 7.30pm in the school hall. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the evening.

Parking Wise, Saves Lives - As part of our parking campaign, next week **3S** will be undertaking the 'Parking Wise, Saves Lives' car parking patrol. Children in **3S** should come to school a little earlier, enter school through the front door and meet in the Library at 8.40am. Remember there is a free car park on West Street where parents can park for drop off and pick up to also support this initiative and encourage a short walk to school. From Monday 25th to Friday 29th it will be the turn of 4C to be on patrol.

Letters sent home this week		
Letter content:	Who sent to:	Date sent:
Morning drop off	Foundation stage	12/09/2017