

# DBJS Newsletter

## 11th May 2018



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Events for week commencing Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018:

Day		Time	Event
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>			<b>SATS WEEK</b>
	Lunch time	12.30pm	Recorder Club
	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3KB- Swimming (£3.83 per week)
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Fit 2 Dance Kidz Gardening Club
3.30-5pm		Year 5 and 6 Girls Football Year 6 Boys Football	
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Afternoon	2-2.30pm	3J- Swimming (£3.83 per week)
	After School	3:30-4:30pm	Orchestra Chess Club Rock Solid Club Year 5 and 6 Netball Club
		3.30-5pm	Year 3 Boys Football
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Lunch time	12:30pm	Choir
	After School	3.30-4.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 3 and 4)
		3.30-4.30pm	Cookery Club
		3:30-5pm	Film Club Year 3 and 4 Girls Football Year 4 and 5 Boys Football
		4.30-5.15pm	Hotshots Basketball (Year 5 and 6)
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Lunch time	12:30pm	Brass Band
		12.30pm	Cru Club (3J)
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	CCFC Football Club Play on Theatre Imagineering Club
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Morning	8.55am	Celebration Assembly
		9.15am-12.30pm	<b>Draycote Water Sponsored Walk</b>
	After school	3.30-4.15pm 3.30-4.30pm	Cheerleading Club Spanish Club Athletics Club

#### STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who have achieved their 'Star of the Week' awards: Elliott Shelbourne, Jacob Morris, Liam Murphy, Isla Turner, Jack Bate, Harrison Chen, Lance Hughes, Vicky Misiewicz, Ruby Burke, Bruno Chabi, Arthur Shaw and Matthew Carr.

## **MESSAGE FROM MR DEWES**

Children in year 6 will be sitting their SATs (Standard Attainment Tests) next week. Children are assessed at the end of each Key Stage (end of reception, year 2 and year 6) in an attempt by schools and the government to see how much they have learnt. Schools are very accountable for the results of these tests, but it is important that pressure isn't passed on to the children and all of our staff work hard to ensure our pupils are not unduly worried about the tests. There has been quite a lot of negative media coverage of SATs and I am sure I speak for all of my colleagues when I say there are aspects of the tests which could be improved. However, tests themselves are not bad; it is important that we assess children - we need to know what they have learnt to know what to teach them next - and research has shown tests are more accurate than teach assessment. Testing can be bad when it is administered in the wrong way. While I cannot promise Year 6 will greatly enjoy all of next week, we will make it as positive an experience as possible for them.

## **ASSEMBLIES**

Due to SATS there will be no assemblies next week on Monday-Thursday. Celebration assembly will take place as normal on Friday morning.

## **NEW LUNCH MENU**

The children were given the new school lunch menu to bring home earlier this week. Please note that there are a few amendments as follows:

Week 1 (Wednesday) – Green choice will be quorn fillet in gravy instead of vegetable and lentil korma.

Week 2 (Tuesday) – Red choice will be chicken fillet in a bun instead of chicken korma.

Week 3 (Monday) – Green choice will be Birdseye vegetable fingers instead of vegetable risotto bake.

## **SCHOOL EVENTS**

### **INSTRUMENT LESSONS DURING SATS WEEK**

All instrument lessons will take place next week with slight changes to the timetable. String lessons will be on Friday instead of Wednesday and Monday morning's guitar lessons will take place on Tuesday. All other lessons will remain the same.

### **WALES RESIDENTIAL**

The Year 5 children who were in Wales last week had a fantastic, fun-filled week! Well done to the children who were so well behaved, it was great to hear that they had a lovely week. Thank you very much to the staff who ensured the children were kept safe and made sure that the children had an enjoyable week.

### **CASTLETON MEETING- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018 - 6.15pm.**

Parents of children in Year 6 who are taking part in the forthcoming residential visit to Castleton are invited to an information meeting on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May at **6.15pm** in the school hall. As well as receiving more information about the visit, parents will also have the opportunity to raise any queries or concerns they may have. The meeting is not expected to last more than half an hour and children may also attend if you wish.

### **SUMMER CONCERT – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018**

Children who have been invited to perform have all been given a letter with details of the concert.

Children should arrive in school no earlier than 6:40pm and be wearing school uniform. No tickets are needed to attend the concert, which should last until 8:30pm.

### **PTA DISCO – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

The PTA have organised a children's disco which will take place in the school hall on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May. The disco, for children in years 3 and 4, will take place from 6.30-7.30pm and the year 5 and 6 disco will run from 8-9pm. We currently have enough helpers for the year 3 and 4 disco, however we still need helpers for the year 5 and 6 disco.

**Please let us know if you are able to help.** Cost is £2 which includes a drink and crisps. Candyfloss will be available at 50p each for the children to purchase on the night. If you think your child will be interested in attending the event please return the slip below together with the entry fee of £2 by Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018. Children who arrive on the night and who have not paid in advance will not be allowed entry to the disco. Please note that parents must collect their child from inside the school hall at the end of the disco, children will not be allowed outside on their own. **Strictly no mobile phones to be brought into the disco and no caps or hats to be worn.**

## **SCHOOL SPORTS EVENTS**

### **FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April, a team of year 3 and 4 and a team of year 5 and 6 girls took part in a football tournament at Rugby Town FC, Kilsby Lane. They all played really well with the year 3 and 4 finishing in second place and the year 5 and 6 team finishing in first place. Well done to all! Thank you to Mrs Clusker and Mrs Tildesley for being in attendance.

### **YEAR 5 ATHLETICS FESTIVAL – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

Our year 5 children went to Harris Academy on Tuesday afternoon to take part in the Rugby Schools Athletics festival. They were able to take part in a range of activities based around athletics skills. The children had an enjoyable afternoon.

### **YEAR 3/4 MINI RED TENNIS COMPETITION – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

A team of boys and girls from year 3 and 4 went to Harris Sports Centre after school on Wednesday to take part in the mini red tennis competition. They played 3 matches in their group and won them all. They made it to the final and came first! Well done to all!

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- Summer concert on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018 at 7pm.
- Leamington Festival on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 (letter has been given out this week- **reply slips should be returned as soon as possible please**).
- Dunchurch Fete on the afternoon of Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2018 (letter given out this week- **reply slips should be returned as soon as possible please**).
- Sports Day is 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018 (morning).

## **OTHER MESSAGES**

### **VACANCY**

We currently have a cleaning vacancy in school. Please see the following link for further information.

<https://www.wmjobs.co.uk/job/35331/cleaner/> Please note that the closing date for applications is next Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> May.

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

### **KWIK CRICKET WILLOUGHBY CC**

A busy summer of Kwik Cricket is set to get underway on Sunday (13<sup>th</sup> May) at Willoughby CC. Kwik Cricket is the fun-based softball format of cricket and the ideal starting point for boys & girls aged 6-10 years. Willoughby CC has successfully run Kwik Cricket for over 20 years as it provides a fantastic opportunity for children of those ages to try out cricket for the first time in a fun, exciting way. Willoughby are offering weekly coaching and game sessions run by club's ECB-qualified coaches on a Sunday morning from 10am, starting this week. Sessions are £2 per child and all kit and equipment is provided. For further details, contact Matt on 07842 419486.

Yours sincerely,

**Mrs T Miller**

Assistant Head Teacher

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### **PTA DISCO - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

My child.....in class.....has permission to take part in the above event.

I enclose payment of £2 and I understand that I must come into the building to collect my child as they will not be permitted outside on their own.

**SLIPS MUST BE RETURNED BY TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> MAY 2018**

Signed.....Parent / Carer

Date.....