



DORDON DELIVERS

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Next Weeks Assembly Theme: Safer Internet Day / UNICEF Day for Change

Reminder: Can you please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.

What's on Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3.00 - 4.00 KS1 Multi Skills 3.00 - 4.00 KS2 Football	3.00 - 4.00 KS2 Multi Sports			Celebration Assembly 2.40pm 3.00 - 4.00pm Y2-6 Embody Dance Club

Parking at Dordon

At Dordon we take the safety of our pupils very seriously. We ensure that our site is safe and that we teach pupils how to stay safe in many different ways including fire safety, online safety and personal safety.

Like many schools in our local area, Dordon has very limited parking near the school. This is something we have no control over. However over recent weeks, it has come to our attention that the situation is getting worse with many parents parking irresponsibly on the school zigzags or on the pavements surrounding school. This behaviour is endangering the safety of your children. With so many parked cars, children have limited places to cross and restricted views of the roads. We have spoken to our neighbourhood police team and have asked for their advice and support.

One solution is for parents who have to drive to school to park at the surgery and walk the rest of the way into school. This would mean less cars in the immediate vicinity of school. Drivers would also be parking legally. For families who can walk to school, I would urge you to do so to reduce the traffic on the roads during the school run.

I am aware that many of you are concerned about the issue and have brought it to my attention. I know the suggestions may add time on to an already hectic morning but I would hate to be in a position of having to visit a child in hospital who had been hurt on the roads around school or worse.

Thank you for your continued support. Let us keep our children and community safe.

Mrs Cross
Executive Headteacher



Enjoying Young Carers day in Peacock class

All photographs can be purchased via ParentPay for £3 per A4 colour copy.

Spot Light on Excellence...

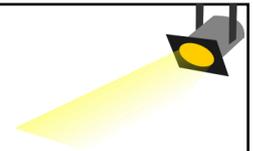
National Storytelling Week

As it is National Storytelling Week, we have been enticing our children into the world of make-believe, of pirates, faraway lands, fairy tales and graphic novels. Storytelling is the perfect way to enrich the lives of children and we have been promoting this throughout the week.

Not only have we had lots of storytelling fun in our classes, but teaching staff across school shared a story with a different year group today. Miss Thorpe had fun with Year 6, Miss Rutter made it to KS2 and was smiling from ear to ear and I read a story all about a greedy tiger to Peacock class. I enjoyed it so much; I did not want to leave.

Here at Dordon we value reading for enjoyment with our children and promote the practice of sharing a book at home too. At bedtime, in the bath or instead of reaching for that IPAD, why not take the opportunity to enjoy a book together?

Miss McGroarty



Heart Bookmarks

This week we have celebrated National Story Telling Week and Inspire your Heart with Art Day by creating our own heart inspired bookmarks. The children were given an artist to base their bookmark on and will be given an opportunity to bring a donation for their bookmark next Friday 9th February ready for Valentines Day. All donations will be given to our school charity, The Buddy Bag Foundation.



IPad App of the week

Kodable Pro by SurfScore
(£4.99 / £2.49 VPP)



Kodable is an iPad game offering a child-friendly introduction to programming concepts and problem solving. The fuzzFamily crashed their spaceship and need your help to explore the planet's Technomazes.

Charity Update

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Money raised so far for



£219.79

Please note that although we check the suitability of applications, they can be changed without notice.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of Platt v Isle of Wight Council which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who are absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority

Contact Information

Could you please ensure that you keep the school office informed of your contact details, especially mobile phone numbers as we often send out information and reminders via the text message service. Any changes of address also need to be reported to the school office as letters to parents and postcards home are sent via royal mail.



Understanding your child –
for parents of 0–18 year old children – a FREE online guide

- Want to feel reassured as a parent that you're doing the right thing?
- Want to make sense of your child's development and behaviour?
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Dordon Primary School Website

Want to know what's happening in school? Go to www.dordonprimaryschool.co.uk there is so much information for you from; school policies, newsletters, copies of letters sent home, curriculum pages, events calendar, class pages, lunch menu, sporting events and much more.

Dates for your Diary

- 13/02/18 - Y5/6 Cross Country at Polesworth field 3.45-5.15
- 14/02/18 - 1.20pm Owl class performance of 'James and the Giant Peach'
- 15/02/18 - Swift Viking Day
- 19/02/18 - 23/02/18 - Half Term
- 26/02/18 - Staff Inset Day
- 29/03/18 - End of term
- 16/04/18 - Summer Term Starts
- 07/05/18 - Bank Holiday
- 14/05/18 - SATS week
- 28/05/18-01/06/18 Half term
- 08-06/18-11/06/18 Manor Adventure
- 22/06/18 - Staff Inset Day
- 20/07/18 - End of term

These dates may be subject to change if necessary. Details and times to be confirmed nearer each event.

Hawk



This half term Hawk class are enjoying their theme African Skies;

"I like learning about plants and flowers in science!" Ebony

"I like reading our class book 'Journey to Jo'burg' and finding out what will happen to Naledi and Tiro." Isla

"I really like listening to our story because it gives us interesting facts about what South Africa used to be like." Kyle

"I've enjoyed researching Nelson Mandela on the iPads and learning new things about him." Daniel W

"I liked writing a job advertisement for a house maid in English." Natalla

Supporting Parents & Carers: Learning more about ADHD

There is a free workshop on **Saturday 10th February** at Avon Park School, St Johns Avenue, Rugby, CV22 5HR.

The day will be delivered by the ADHD Foundation and is aimed at developing a parents understanding of ADHD and their child's behaviours. Covering the topics: What is ADHD and dispelling myths and the impact on learning, achievement and behaviour.

For further information and to book a place on the workshop please contact Clare or Rukiya on events@witherslackgroup.co.uk or 015395 66081.

Reminder: Dogs should not be brought into school at any time, even if carried. We also DO NOT permit dogs to be tied to the school gates outside school. Please leave your dog at home.

Last weeks Postcards Home

- Peacock = Olivia S
- Kingfisher = Jessica
- Swan = Olivia
- Owl = Daniella
- Swift = Charlie
- Hawk = Ebony
- Falcon = Shyron

Attendance

	Last Week	Year
Peacock	93.8%	94.6%
Kingfisher	93.3%	94.4%
Swan	96%	96.5%
Owl	96.3%	96.1%
Swift	98%	95.6%
Hawk	86.1%	95.1%
Falcon	98.2%	97%



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Jack & Jill Preschool Before and After School Club

Breakfast Club 7.30-8.35am.
After School Club 3.00-5.30pm.
Monday - Friday, term time only.

For more information please contact Jack & Jill Preschool on 01827 899551

(Please note that once a session has been booked you will be charged even if your child does not arrive.)