



Dunchurch Boughton C of E Infant Academy and Nursery *Roots to grow. Wings to fly.*



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We have enjoyed having more children in the school building this week, along with making regular visits to our year two children. We are so proud of how the children have coped with the changes over the past two weeks. The cleaners will be in school over the half term break as they continue to deep clean the areas of the school that are not yet open to staff and children. We are hoping to have all the children back in school from the first day back after half term. Some of the Senior Leadership Team are meeting with contractors on Thursday morning next week and we will then be able to confirm this with you.



We met with the PTA on Monday morning. Lots of parents across the different year groups in school have offered to make donations towards the purchase of new equipment for the children to use in their classrooms. The PTA will coordinate this for us through a donations link on their quiz poster (see next page).

The children enjoyed taking part in Pyjamarama on Thursday, promoting a love of reading and bedtime stories. We hope that the children all enjoyed reading their new bedtime stories on Thursday evening! Thank you for your support with donations of books. If you would like your child to access school reading books in the absence of our physical books at the moment, please don't forget to fill in the online form [here](#).



We are sad to share that as of this week, Mrs Darcy will no longer be a full time Teaching Assistant in school as she is moving onto pastures new outside of education. However, we are delighted that she will still be with us on a supply basis, and that Elf Owls will continue to have her as a part time Teaching Assistant until the end of June. We would like to thank Mrs Darcy for all her hard work over the past four and a half years. We will miss seeing her every day!

We would all like to wish everyone a lovely half term break, and to thank you again for all the support you have shown to the school over the past two weeks.

Suzanne Marson

Headteacher





QUIZ NIGHT



Raising money to help support the school after the Fire.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND..... If you didn't attend it last time, you missed out! Join us for a fantastic evening filled with fun, friendly competition, and school community spirit.

Can't attend? But would still like to support the school at this time, please consider making a donation to us instead. Please use the QR Code below. Every penny raised makes a difference, now more than ever.

Friday 6th June

? 7.15pm - 9.15pm

Venue: Dunchurch Village Hall

Entry £10.00 per person - includes a drink voucher & nibbles.

Licensed bar will be available throughout the evening.

HOW TO ENTER:

1. Get a team of UP to 6 people together
2. Pick a name (prize for the most original)
3. Email the details of your team to disn.pta@gmail.com - we will then send a payment link to you (do not use the QR code below).

Please bring some loose change with you, as during the rounds you will have the opportunity to 'buy' some help (this was very popular last time).



Thank you for your continued support.
We look forward to seeing you there!

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

(these children will also sit on the Golden Table)

Little Owls: (Mrs Rawes & Miss Shrimpton)	Everyone	Barn Owls: (Miss Lodge)	Everyone	Spectacled Owls: (Miss Cowlen)	Everyone
Elf Owls: (Mrs Carrington)	Everyone	Tawny Owls: (Mrs Preston)	Everyone	Snowy Owls: (Mrs Menzies)	Everyone

LEARNING BEHAVIOUR OF THE WEEK (children will share a piece of work they are proud of)

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Elf Owls: (Mrs Carrington)	Everyone	Tawny Owls: (Mrs Preston)	Everyone	Snowy Owls: (Mrs Menzies)	Everyone

Lunchtime Stars

Little Owls: (Mrs Rawes & Miss Shrimpton)	Everyone	Barn Owls: (Miss Lodge)	Everyone	Spectacled Owls: (Miss Cowlen)	Everyone
Elf Owls: (Mrs Carrington)	Everyone	Tawny Owls: (Mrs Preston)	Everyone	Snowy Owls: (Mrs Menzies)	Everyone

Nursery Learner and Lunchtime Star of the Week

Owlets	Learner & Lunchtime:	Spotty	Learner & Lunchtime:	Stripy	Learner & Lunchtime:
	Vinnie		Aphra		Calister

Achievements from home:

Reception:

Year 1:

Year 2:

Spotlight on

Early Years Good Level of Development (GLoD)

A Good Level of Development refers to a summative assessment judgement which is made for each early years child towards the end of their reception year.

Children's attainment and progress is assessed using their learning outcomes in relation to Early Learning Goals (ELGs) encompassing the curriculum areas of:

Communication and Language

Physical Development

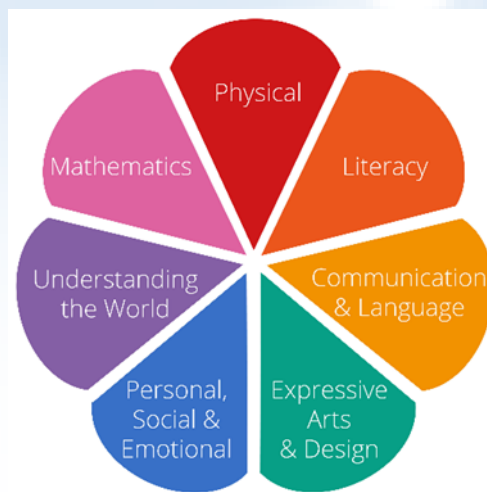
Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)

Literacy

Maths

Understanding the World

Expressive Arts and Design



The Early Learning Goals are interconnected, and children can display their knowledge and skills across a range of areas of learning when engaging in a task or an activity.

A Good Level of Development is defined as reaching the expected level in the prime areas of learning (see below), along with the specific areas of mathematics and literacy.

Some children may have an outcome of 'emerging' for some, or all, of the Early Learning Goals. This may be because they are developing a little later than their peers, have missed considerable class time that has impacted their learning or have a special educational need or disability (SEND). This does not mean that a child has 'failed' their reception year but provides useful information that can inform the needs of the child as they move into Key Stage One. This promotes a smooth transition and informs the teacher of any extra support that may be required, so every child is nurtured and catered for.

Your child's end of year report will inform you if they have met their Early Learning Goals and have achieved a Good Level of Development. If you have any questions about this, please speak to your child's class teacher.

The Prime areas of learning		
Communication and Language	Physical Development	Personal, Social and Emotional Development
Specific areas of learning		
Literacy	Mathematics	Understanding the world
		Expressive arts and design



Upcoming dates:

Any new dates will be added in red

Friday 6th June	PTA Summer Quiz Night (19:15—21:15pm) see flyer attached to newsletter above.
9th—13th June	Phonics Screening Check Week Children in year one and some children in year two will be taking part in the national phonics screening check.
Thursday 5th June	Passport to world views afternoon Children will be learning about Eid-UI-Adha during the afternoon.
16th—20th June	Sports week All children will take part in a daily mile during this week.
Friday 13th June	World Music Day Children are invited to come into school dressed like their favourite rock star or musician.
Friday 13th June	Bring a male role model to school—year one children only We would like to invite Dad's, or a male representative, to come into school to join in with a year one learning event from 2:30pm. Only one representative per family please.
Friday 13th June	PTA Fathers Day sock shop—all day! More details to follow
Wednesday 18th June	New to reception evening If your child is due to start reception in September 2025, you are invited to join us for an information session from 5pm in the outdoor marquee on the playground. More information will follow in a letter.
Wednesday 25th June	Sports Day Children from reception to year two will be taking part in a sports morning on the Junior School field. Parents are invited to join us and should make their way over to the Junior School after dropping off their children. We will start at approximately 9:15am.
Friday 27th June	School Fete Our amazing PTA will be running a school fete after school. More details to follow.
Wednesday 2nd July	County Transfer Day Children will spend time in their new classes during this day. Current year 2 children should be taken directly to their new school for the day. If your child does not have a transition visit on this day, please let us know. Current reception and year 1 children should be dropped off and collected from their usual classroom doors. They will spend most of the day in their new classrooms. Current preschool children will have information sent home in a letter.
Wednesday 9th July	Year two leaver's event Save the date and time - 9:30am or 2:30pm. More information to follow.



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Thursday 10th July	National Teddy Bear's Picnic Day Children are invited to bring a named teddy bear into school for a picnic lunch, along with donation towards Birmingham Children's Hospital. We have families in school who have been supported by Birmingham Children's Hospital and would like to raise as much money as we can for this worthy cause.
Thursday 10th July	Year Two Maypole evening Save the date—more information to follow
Monday 14th July	Open evening Parents are invited to come into school with their children to view their children's work and to visit new and existing classrooms from 3:30—5. Class teachers will be available to speak to about reports if you would like to. Mrs Owen will be available for SEND drop ins.
Tuesday 15th July	Nursery leaver's performance: Pre-School Parents are invited to come into school to see their children take part in a leaver's performance at 9:30am or 2:30pm. Details regarding tickets will be sent home via the school office.

Lunches after half term

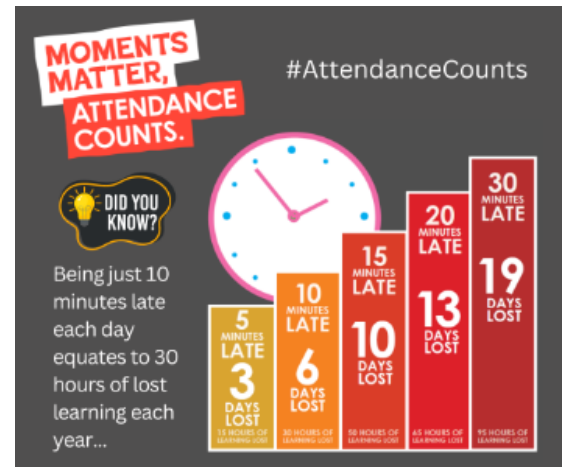
Our caterers are pleased to be able to offer children a variety of hot and cold lunches from after the May half term. Please see the attached menu below:

Week 1				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese (D,G), Ham (G) or Tuna (F,G) Sandwich	Cheese & Tomato Pasta Pot (G,D)	Pizza Finger (G,D) or Ham Salad Roll (G)	Cheese & Tomato Pasta Pot (G,D)	Chicken (G), Cheese (G,D) Tuna Mayo (F,G,E) Wrap
Tortilla Chips (G)	WITH (vg) Quorn Dippers (G)	Tortilla Chips (G)	WITH Mini Pork (G) or (vg) Veggie Sausage	Tortilla Chips (G)
Veggie Sticks	Veggie Sticks	Veggie Sticks	Veggie Sticks	Veggie Sticks
DESSERT OF THE DAY	DESSERT OF THE DAY	DESSERT OF THE DAY	DESSERT OF THE DAY	DESSERT OF THE DAY
Shortbread (G)	Fruit Wedges	Ginger Cookie (G)	Fruit Wedges	Iced Sponge (G,E)
Special diets for Allergen, Religious or Life Style Preferences will be catered for in the normal way.				
		KEY C = Celery D = Dairy E = Egg F = Fish G = Gluten		M = Mustard S = Sesame SB = Soya Bean SU = Sulphites v = Vegetarian vg = vegan

Attendance Weekly Summary

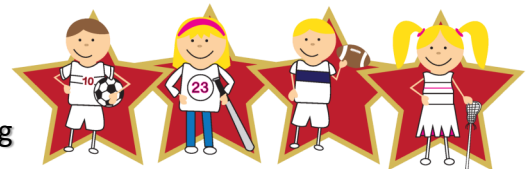
Whole school: % (Target 97%)

		
Little Owls	Elf Owls	Snowy Owls
98.47%	95.56%	91.85%
		
Barn Owls	Tawny Owls	Spectacled Owls
97.41%	93.33%	95.56%



PE Days

Children should wear their P.E. kits to school on the following days. On other days, normal uniform should be worn.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Tawny Owls Barn Owls Little Owls Elf Owls	Tawny Owls Barn Owls	Snowy Owls Spectacled Owls		Snowy Owls Spectacled Owls

After School Clubs: Summer Term 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Martial Arts Y1—Y2 3:20-4pm	Spanish Y1-Y2 3:20—4:20pm	Football Y1-Y2 3:20– 4:45pm	Football Y1-Y2 3:20-4:45pm	Musical Theatre Rec—Y2 3:20—4:20pm
	Bounce and Beat Rec—Y2 3:20-4:20pm	Ukelele Club Yr 1 and 2 3.20-4pm		

TERM DATES

Summer Term 2025

Bank Holiday: 26th May
Half Term: Monday 26th May to
Friday 30th May
End of Term Friday 18th July
Disaggregated Teacher Training Day:
Monday 21st July

Autumn term 2025

Teacher training days: Monday 1st September & Tuesday 2nd September
Children return to school Wednesday 3rd September
Teacher training day: Friday 24th October
Half term: Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October
End of term: Friday 19th December

Spring term 2026

Start of term: Monday 5th January
Half term: Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February
Teacher training day: Monday 23rd February
End of term: Friday 27th March

Summer term 2026

Start of term: Monday 13th April
Half term: Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May
Teacher Training Day: Monday 1st June
End of term: Friday 17th July
Disaggregated Teacher Training Day: Monday 20th July

For Warwickshire school term dates please
[click here.](#)



#SALUTEOURFORCES

Saturday 28 June 2025



I'm supporting

ARMED FORCES DAY

FREE Community Event

Free activities & food for children - hot dogs, burgers and ice creams*
Free Indian vegetarian food (Sikh Langar)*
Paid food & drink vendors including coffee, pizza and a bar
Music from Ruby Ann Sings | Military reenactors & vehicles
Military heritage village | Tri-Service competition
Find out more about a career in the military
Flypast from the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight - Avro Lancaster

Saturday 28 June, 11am to 3pm
Pump Room Gardens,
Leamington Spa, CV32 4AA

For further information visit: warwickdc.gov.uk/armedforcesday



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& Museum

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YEARS

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21 June 2025, 11am – 3pm
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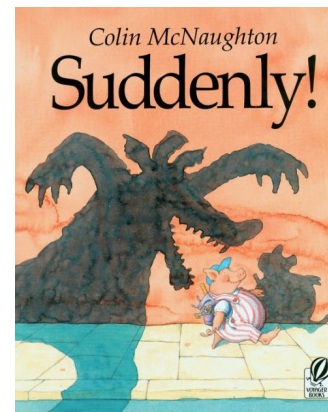
LOVE RUGBY FESTIVAL

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Title: Suddenly!

Author: Colin McNaughton

Recommended by: Mrs Rawes



Little Owls LOVED reading 'Suddenly!' by Colin McNaughton. They all joined in with the repeated phrases- 'silly me!' 'SUDDENLY!' Little Owls thoroughly enjoyed making predictions about the adventures the pig goes on. We couldn't believe that Preston the pig kept wiggling out of trouble without even realising it! We giggled a lot and at times we even felt just a little bit sorry for the wolf! We hope you enjoy this story just like we did ☺

FREE Move with Nature Trail at Draycote Water, Rugby

Sat 24th May-Mon 2nd June

10.00am-5.00pm

Get ready for a day of fun and learning. Exciting nature quiz and movement trail for little ones. Follow the markers and let the adventure begin.



CHRISTIAN VALUE THIS HALF TERM



LEARNING BEHAVIOUR THIS HALF TERM

Effort elephant



⚽ TJ SPORTS ACADEMY is back in the holidays for **3 DAYS** of action-packed sporting **FUN!** We are running Multi-sport days on Tuesday 27th Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th May. Letters have been handed out at the Junior and Infant schools. Thank you to everyone who has signed up already! There are still spaces remaining on all 3 days, letters are available from either school office or myself (Mr James). We are **SUPER EXCITED** for this one with all our usual sports (plus more) and brand-new **PRIZES!**

ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS PLEASE DONT HESITATE TO CONTACT US.

PHONE- 07979800418
EMAIL- tjssportsacademy1@gmail.com



Mental Health in Schools Team
Tips For Wellness



Listening

Listening is an important skill that helps us to feel connected to others and the world around us. When we listen, we can learn new things, solve problems and interact with people around us. This is great for our mental health as we are using our minds and connecting with people.



Try out these games to test your listening skills:

1 - Sound hunt!

Close your eyes and listen carefully to the sounds around you. See how many sounds you can identify in a minute.

This type of listening activity helps us to connect with the world around us, which can help us to feel calm.

2 - Weekend catch up

In pairs, partners should take it in turns to talk for 1 minute about their weekend. The children should then ask each other questions about their weekend, to see if the listener could remember what they did. Each partner can score points for each question they answered correctly.

3 - I went to the supermarket, and I bought a...

As a class, sit in a circle. The first person says, "I went to the supermarket, and I bought a..." and they choose an item, for example an apple. The next person has to repeat that sentence and choose their own item to add. For example, "I went to the supermarket, and I bought an apple and a book". Keep going around the circle adding items. If someone forgets an item, you move onto the next player. It gets harder as you go!

These two games encourage 'active listening', where you are taking in the information you are hearing. This is a useful skill to practice. You can also practice this at home, trying to remember what you have heard on a programme or video!

In Coventry and Warwickshire, for any urgent mental health concerns, contact the RISE Crisis Helpline available 24/7, by calling NHS 111. Alternatively, call 999 or visit A&E in an emergency, for example if medical attention is required.

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays.

Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.

E-SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK :

How to best use location tracking apps within your family...

Location tracking gives us the ability to see where somebody is via their smart device and is often one of the reasons children receive their first device.

Internet Matters have published an article discussing location tracking, including the benefits and risks and provide links to other supporting resources.

You can read the article here: <https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/expert-opinion/how-to-use-location-tracking-apps-in-your-family/>



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www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families



Connect for
Health

Find lots of useful links click [here](#).



Warwickshire Local Authority SEND newsletter can be found here. [Click link](#)

Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme

The council's Local Welfare Scheme continues to help our most vulnerable residents at times of unavoidable crisis when they have no other means of help and can provide financial support and advice for people in crisis who need support to access food and utilities. The scheme also signposts to further support available from other public, community and voluntary services around the county.

On 30 October 2024, the Chancellor of the Exchequer announced that the Household Support Fund (HSF) would be extended for a further twelve months, from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026. The primary objective of the Department for Work and Pensions' Household Support Fund grant is to provide crisis support to vulnerable households in most need with the cost of essentials, in particular food, energy, and water bills

Please see below the contact details for families who are struggling financially and need support:

Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme - 01926 359182 or 0800 4081448

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme

For information about wider support from the council and other services, go to:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/costofliving>



HOLIDAY CAMPS

Tuesday 27th to Friday 30th May
8.30 to 9am drop off
3.30 to 4pm collection

May Half Term

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Allsorts Magazine – May/July

Here is the link to the May/July (half-term) digital version of All sorts magazine

https://bit.ly/ALLSORTS_MAYJULY - you can **tap** straight to advertisers' websites too when viewing the magazine on your phone (please mention Allsorts). There are lots of attractions to visit, services and articles to help your family. You can view this issue at www.allsortsmag.com too or on the Allsorts Facebook page soon. Take care - Michelle Love (Editor).

CHILDREN'S AUTHOR VISIT

ROSIE PICKERING



HALF TERM TUES 27 MAY
11AM - 12PM
DUNCHURCH LIBRARY

STORYTIME ♦ ACTIVITIES ♦ GAMES ♦ BOOK SIGNING

 **DUNCHURCH COMMUNITY HUB & LIBRARY**

Get outdoors in May half-term

May half-term is just around the corner, with fun family activities to get involved with t Ryton Pools and Kingsbury Water Park – click link below for details and booking:

[Whitsun Fun by Warwickshire Country Parks |](#)