



Dunchurch Boughton C of E Infant Academy and Nursery

Roots to grow. Wings to fly.



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This week has flown by, with lots of learning taking place. As part of our work as a church school, we have six school values. Nursery have built a display to demonstrate how we can live these values out in our everyday lives with some really thoughtful comments being made.

The staff have been working hard creating displays around school with our aim being to represent each curriculum subject within the corridor. More photos of the displays can be found on the school story on Dojo. Please do take a walk through the corridor when you are in school next week and have a look at the fabulous displays.



In Reception, the children have used the autumn leaves to support them in developing their core strength. Nursery have also been making the most of the outside area this week and have learnt about the season of autumn, including an autumn walk. In year one, the children had a visit from the firefighters at Rugby Fire station. The children learnt how to 'stop, drop and roll', how to evacuate a building and who to call if there is a fire. In year two, the children have started to create moon buggies in their DT lessons, which will be finished and displayed next week.



A reminder that next week is parents' evening. Please arrive via the school office entrance for your 10 minute slot. If you can please wait in the corridor outside your child's classroom, the class teachers will then collect you from there. If you would like to book a parents' evening slot and you are yet to do so, please contact the school office who will support you to make an appointment.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, fingers crossed for some sunshine!

Suzanne Marson

Headteacher



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

(these children will also sit on the golden table)

Little Owls: (Mrs Rawes & Miss Shrimpton)	Rosalind	Barn Owls: (Miss Lodge)	Lucia	Spectacled Owls: (Mrs Macauley and Miss Cowlen)	Emilia
Elf Owls: (Mrs Carrington)	Amelia-Faith	Tawny Owls: (Miss Ansell)	Ridhima	Snowy Owls: (Mrs Menzies)	Alexie

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

Little Owls: (Mrs Rawes & Miss Shrimpton)	Narula	Barn Owls: (Miss Lodge)	Alfie	Spectacled Owls: (Mrs Macauley and Miss Cowlen)	Mahika
Elf Owls: (Mrs Carrington)	Thora	Tawny Owls: (Miss Ansell)	Minahil	Snowy Owls: (Mrs Menzies)	Esme

LUNCHTIME STAR

Little Owls: (Mrs Rawes & Miss Shrimpton)	Piper	Barn Owls: (Miss Lodge)	Dylan	Spectacled Owls: (Mrs Macauley and Miss Cowlen)	George
Elf Owls: (Mrs Carrington)	Ellin	Tawny Owls: (Miss Ansell)	Oscar	Snowy Owls: (Mrs Menzies)	Magus

ACHIEVEMENT CHILDREN IN THE GOLD BOOK THIS WEEK (based on the half termly value):

Reception: Amelia-Faith Year 1: Ayla Year 2: Iris

Achievements from home:

Year 1: Sam, Eliza and India

Year 2: Esme, Darcy and Matilda

Spotlight on

Attendance

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

At Dunchurch Boughton C of E Infant Academy and Nursery, we are committed to ensuring that our children receive their full entitlement of teaching and learning opportunities, through working with parents and carers to overcome barriers to attendance and punctuality. We have a named senior leader who leads on attendance; this is Mrs Owen.

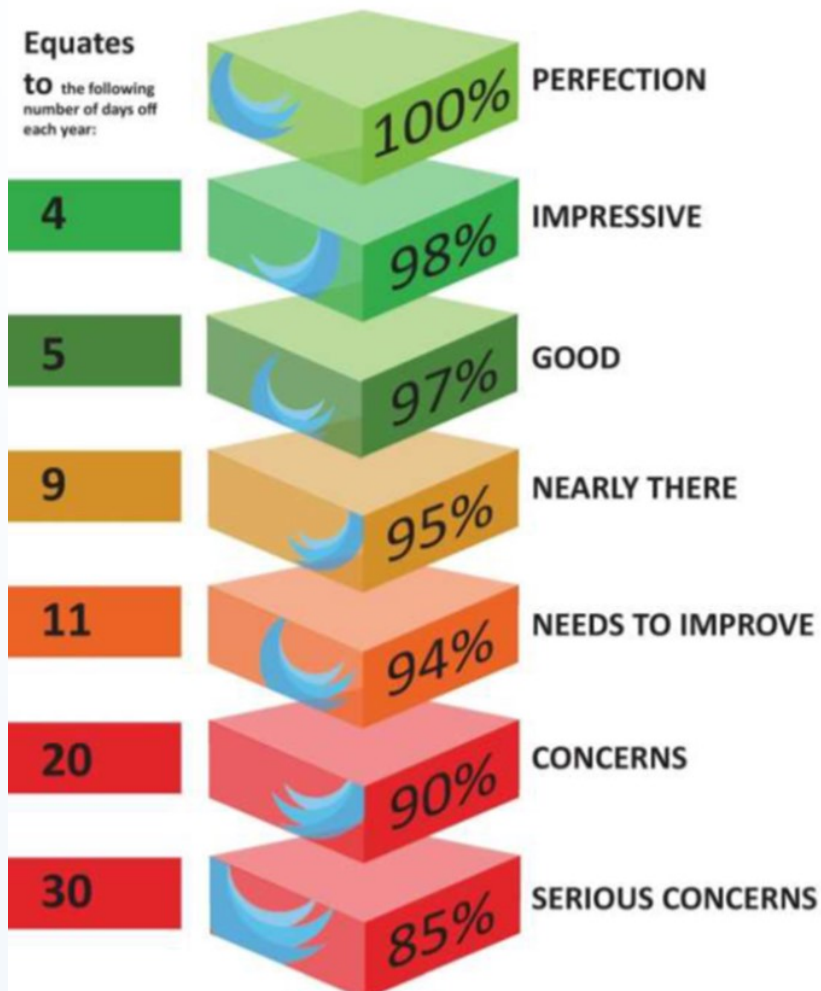
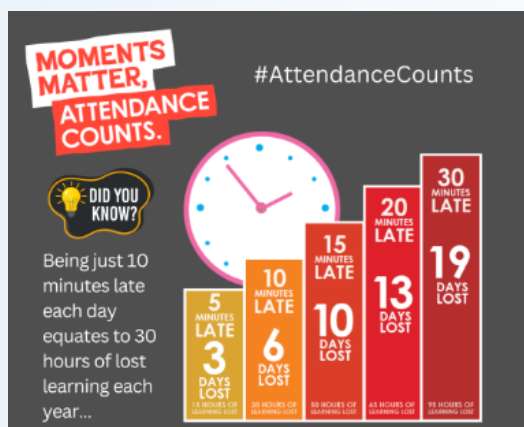
In each year group, lesson content is sequential and builds on prior learning. If children do not attend school regularly, this leads to lost learning opportunities and gaps in the children's learning.

Unless a child is unwell or has a medical appointment, we would expect children to be in school. Children are at school for 190 days per academic year, so we ask that events such as family holidays are taken outside of these times. We are unable to authorise absence requests for family holidays in term time.

We set a target of 97% for school attendance. If children have an attendance rate of below 90% this means that they are classed as a persistent absentee, and steps will need to be taken to ensure better attendance. Twenty days of school will have been missed over the course of the academic year, leading to four weeks of lost learning opportunities.

From August 2024, new attendance expectations become statutory from the Department for Education. We will be working alongside Warwickshire Attendance to ensure these expectations are met, including making referrals for support where needed.

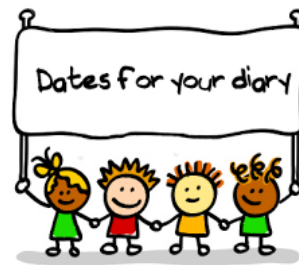
We are very happy to provide support to any family who are experiencing difficulties with attendance, please do contact the school office or Mrs Owen in confidence if this is the case.





Any new dates will be added in red

Upcoming dates next week:	
Thursday 22nd October	Passport to world views afternoon The school will spend an afternoon learning about a religious festival each half term. This half term's festival will be Diwali.
Tuesday 22nd October Wednesday 23rd October	Parents' evenings You are invited to come into school for a 10 minute slot to talk about your child's progress so far this academic year. Please book your slot via the information received from the school office from 7pm on Monday 30th September. Appointments are available from 3:30 pm—6:30pm. The online appointment booking system went live on Monday 30 th September and has now closed. Please contact the school office if you need to make an appointment.
Thursday 24th October	Reading for pleasure / vocabulary day As part of our promotion of adventurous vocabulary, we will be holding a vocabulary day in school. Children are invited to come to school dressed as an adventurous word. Previous examples have included illuminated, festive, floral, glamorous and athletic. We will also be holding a 'book bus' event on this day. Please see the information from Mrs Owen on Class Dojo.
Future dates:	
Tuesday 5th November	Individual Class Photos in School If parents would like to bring their children into school to have sibling photos taken before school starts (siblings that are not yet in our school or are at the Juniors) then parents are welcome to come into school with their children from 8:15am. Please enter and exit via the hall door. Where we have siblings within school, they will have a sibling photo taken during the school day.
Sunday 10th November	Remembrance service St Peter's invite the local community to attend their Remembrance service at 10:45am by the war memorial outside St Peter's.



Monday 11th November	Remembrance Day Children will learn about Remembrance Day in an age appropriate way, and take part in a one minute silence at 11am.
Monday 11th November	Anti-bullying week: Choose respect Children are invited to wear odd socks to school on Monday, demonstrating that we are all unique.
Tuesday 12th November	Open evening for prospective parents Is your child due to start reception in September 2025? Prospective reception parents are welcome to join us for a presentation and a chance to look around the school. Please arrive for a 5pm start .
Friday 15th November	Children in need Children are invited to come into school in non-uniform, including wearing spots. Parents are welcome to make a voluntary donation on this day.
Monday 25th November	Christmas play / carol concert bookings open Two tickets per child (across the two performances) can be booked via the information sent home from the school office from 7pm today.
Sunday 1st December	St Peter's open air Nativity service Join Mrs Marson, Mrs Owen and other staff members in the nativity crib service outside St Peter's church at 4pm.
Tuesday 3rd December	Nasal Flu Spray in School Reception, Year 1 and Year2 will receive their nasal flu spray in school for those that have parental permission.
Wednesday 4th December	Year 2 trip Year 2 will be visiting St John's museum to take part in a Victorian Christmas trip. More information will be sent home via the year 2 Class Dojo pages.
Wednesday 11th December	Christmas plays Parents are invited to see their child perform their Christmas play in the school hall. Two tickets per child (across the two performances) can be booked via the information from the school office from Monday 25th November. Reception at 9:30am Nursery at 10:30am Year 1 at 2:30pm

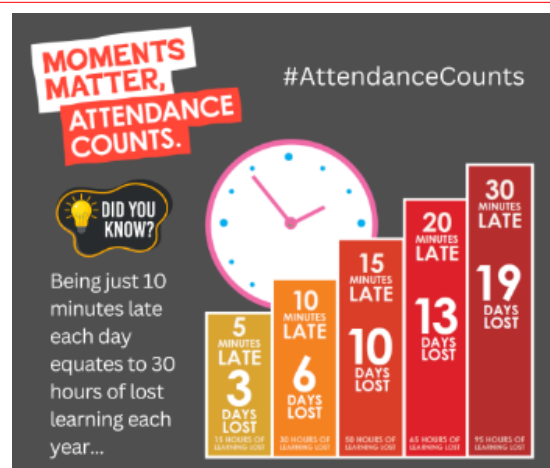


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Friday 13th December	Christmas jumper day / Christmas craft day Children are welcome to come into school wearing non-uniform, including a Christmas jumper, for Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day. Any voluntary donations are welcome. Children will take part in a Christmas craft day on this day. (Please note that this is on Friday not Thursday) Christmas Lunch
Monday 16th December	Visit to St Peter's Church All children in school will take part in a Christmas service at St Peter's church. If anyone is able to support walking the children to and from church, please let the school office know. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite other parents to attend due to space in the church. Exact time to be confirmed once final details are arranged with the church.
Monday 16th December	Passport to world views afternoon The children will be learning about the festival of Hannukah in school.
Tuesday 17th December	Warwick Arts Centre visit—The Smeds and the Smoos The whole school will visit the Warwick Arts Centre in the afternoon to see The Smeds and The Smoos as a theatre performance. More details to follow.
Wednesday 18th December	Year 2 carol concert Year 2 parents are invited to take part in a carol service performed by the year 2 children at either 9:15am or 2:30pm. Two tickets per child (across the two performances) can be booked via the information from the school office from Monday 25th November.
Friday 20th December	Christingle Service The whole school will take part in a Christingle service in the school hall. Please be aware that your child will bring home a Christingle at the end of the school day.

Attendance Weekly Summary

Whole school: 93.5% (Target 97%)

		
Little Owls	Elf Owls	Snowy Owls
94.6%	96.1%	94.3%
		
Barn Owls	Tawny Owls	Spectacled Owls
96.0%	89.3%	90.7%



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	-	Snowy Owls Spectacled Owls Little Owls Elf Owls	Tawny Owls Barn Owls	Snowy Owls Spectacled Owls

After School Clubs: Autumn term 1

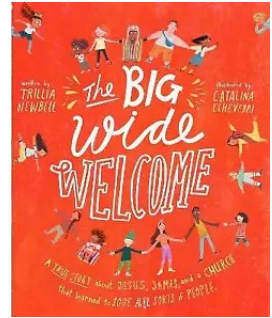
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Martial Arts Y1—Y2 3:20-4pm	Spanish Y1-Y2 3:20—4:20pm	Football Y1-Y2 3:20– 4:45pm	Football Y1-Y2 3:20-4:45pm	
	Bounce and Beat Rec—Y2 3:20-4:20pm	Musical Theatre R—Y2 3:20—4:20pm		

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Title: The Big Wide Welcome

Author: Trillia Newbell

Recommended by: Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.



On Thursday, Mrs Owen read us the story 'The Big Wide Welcome' in Collective Worship. We loved it! You would never have known that there were almost 180 children in the school hall! The book discussed how sometimes we have favourite things. Favourite toys, sweets, games.. and that's okay! But if we play favourites with people, it can sometimes make them feel a little upset and lonely. So, we talked about how Jesus loves us all and how he doesn't play favourites because he loves everyone regardless of how sporty they are, the colour of their skin, what clothes they wear and how clever they are. It was lovely reading this story and it was definitely one that we would all recommend!

TERM DATES 2024/2025

Autumn Term 2024

Half Term: Monday 28th Oct to Friday 1st Nov

End of Term: 20th December

Spring Term 2025

Teacher Training Day Monday 6th January

Half Term: Monday 17th Feb to Friday 21st Feb

Teacher Training Day Monday 24th February

Term Starts Tuesday 25th Feb

Term Ends Thursday 10th April

Teacher Training Day Friday 11th April

Summer Term 2025

Term Starts Monday 28th April

Spring Bank Holiday: 5th May

Bank Holiday: 26th May

Half Term: Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May

End of Term Friday 18th July

Teacher Training Day Monday 21st July

CHRISTIAN VALUE THIS HALF TERM



LEARNING BEHAVIOUR THIS HALF TERM

Team Meerkat



*I can listen to a partner carefully.

**I can share my ideas with a small group.

*** I can explain tasks to other people.

Week three

Warwickshire, Coventry: 9/9, 30/9, 21/10, 11/11, 2/12, 6/1/25, 27/1, 24/2, 17/3, 7/4
Oxfordshire: 9/9, 30/9, 21/10, 11/11, 2/12, 6/1/25, 27/1, 24/2, 17/3, 7/4

Choose a main meal...

Southern Style Chicken Strips in a Wrap with Potato Wedges (G)

Vegetarian Only

(vg) Quorn Dippers in a Wrap (G)

MONDAY

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v)(h) Chocolate Orange Cookie with Orange Wedges (G)
or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...

Beef Burger in a High Fibre Bun with Crispy Diced Potatoes (G.SB.SU)

Vegetarian Only

(vg) Veggie Plant burger in a High Fibre Bun with Crispy Diced Potatoes (G)

TUESDAY

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(vg) (h) Shortbread (G)
or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal... **WEDNESDAY ROAST**

British Roast Pork Loin, Apple Sauce and Gravy

Vegetarian Only

(vg) Quorn Roast with Gravy (G)
Crispy Roast Potatoes

WEDNESDAY

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v) Strawberry Swirl Mousse (D)
or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...

(h) Chicken Pasta and Baguette (G)

Vegetarian Only

(vg) Quorn Dippers with Seasoned Wedges (G)

THURSDAY

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v) Pancakes with Fruit (G D E)
or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal... **FISHY FRIDAY**

(msc) Fish Fillet Fingers (G.F)
with Chipped Potatoes

Vegetarian Only

(vg) Breaded Vegetable Fingers with Chipped Potatoes (G)

FRIDAY

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Peas or Baked Beans

For dessert...

(v)(h) 'School Favourite' Sprinkles
Sponge Cake (G.E)
or Fresh Fruit

NIGHT AT YOUR MUSEUM

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FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 10.30AM - 12PM
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COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

In collective worship this week, we focused on our school vision of *Roots to grow. Wings to fly*. We considered the phrase '*Mighty oaks from little acorns grow*' and linked this to the children starting as little seeds like the mustard seeds, growing through gaining knowledge and spreading their wings to fly onto the next stage of their education. We discussed how we value each other for being unique and we want everyone to grow and flourish. We also read the story *he Big Wide Welcome*. We considered how Christians believe that everyone is made in God's image, and that everyone should be valued for their own uniqueness. Nobody is left out, and everyone is valued and welcomed despite similarities and differences.



Mental Health in Schools Team
Tips For Wellness



Be You

'Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind' - Dr Seuss

Being You is about being comfortable with who you are. Everyone has different talents, interests and dreams and it's important to remember that we are all unique. Exploring your own interests can help you develop a sense of identity, which is essential to building on your confidence.

Our tips for 'being you':

- 1) **Do something you love.** Make sure, at least once a day, you have some time set aside to do something you love. Whether that's reading, drawing, listening to music or playing sports, it's important to do things for yourself to improve your wellbeing.
- 2) **Take time away from social media if you need to.** Try to keep your social media account a positive space that celebrates everyone's differences! If you need to take a step back from social media at times, that is okay.
- 3) **Embrace what you enjoy and follow your interests.** Listen to the music you love and watch the TV shows and Films you love, even if your friends like to watch different things.
- 4) **Positive Self-Talk.** It is normal to talk to ourselves in a negative way at times, instead, try to recognise and believe in your strengths and your abilities. Saying and doing kind things for yourself is an important part of 'being you'.

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

Communication matters!

Keep having those conversations with your child about online safety, teaching them to recognise any risks. Remember to encourage them to speak to a safe adult they trust if anything doesn't feel right.



Click on [Family Information Service](https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families) for a wide range of information to support families, or to request support.
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](#)

The Directors of the Diocese of Coventry Multi Academy Trust are currently determining proposed admission arrangements for admissions to its academies in September 2025. As determined by the School Admissions Code, we are required to consult on these arrangements at least once every 7 years or when significant changes are made, and are inviting comments on the proposed changes. A copy of the covering letter and proposed admissions policy is available on our website at <https://www.covmat.org/multi-academy-trust-policies/> for your information. Alternatively if you require a hard copy of the policy please email info@covmat.org to request. Whilst this is a trust wide policy, the individual school admissions arrangements are included as Appendix 1.

If you wish to comment on the proposed admissions arrangements, please send your response in writing for the attention of Louise Beale, either by post to the address at the bottom of this email or by email to info@covmat.org. Comments should be received by no later than 9am on Wednesday 18th December 2024.

TJ SPORTS ACADEMY HALF TERM HOLIDAY MULTI-SPORTS CLUB

 TJ SPORTS ACADEMY is back this half term for **4 DAYS** of action-packed sporting **FUN !** We are running **3 DAYS OF MULTI SPORTS, AND 1 FOOTBALL FUN DAY**. The club is running multi-sports days on **Monday 28th October, Tuesday 29th October, Wednesday 30th October, and the Football fun day on Thursday 31st October**. 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 4 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 !**

Thanks again for all your continued support. Mr James and the TJ SPORTS ACADEMY team

Email-tjsportsacademy1@gmail.com Phone-07979800418



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WARWICK - CV34 5LY ALL SAINTS JUNIOR SCHOOL
MULTI SPORTS

(CHILDREN CURRENTLY IN NURSERY AND RECEPTION ARE ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND LITTLE LACES BETWEEN 9AM-1PM EVERY DAY)

TIMINGS

EARLY DROP OFF - 8:30AM - 9:00AM - **£4.00 EXTRA (BREAKFAST INCLUDED)**
DROP OFF - 9:00AM - 9:30AM
PICK UP - 3:00PM - 3:30PM
LATE PICK UP - 3:30PM - 4:30PM - **£5.00 EXTRA**

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- ✦ Questioning in a professional and respectful way in order to hold the school to account;
- ✦ Challenging and supporting in equal measure;
- ✦ Ensuring children within the school develop both academically and spiritually within a distinctively Christian ethos;
- ✦ Using your skills to support the school team.

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helen.gibson@coventrydbe.org

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