

**Weekly Bulletin no.53**  
**Friday 16th February 2024**



This week was one full of celebrations! We enjoyed delicious Pancakes for **Pancake Day** and partied at our discos for **Valentines Day**.

Over half term, we have our **FREE gaming event** and our **Free Family Pizza Takeaway Night** thanks to our grant funding.

School reopens on **Monday 26th February**. Please ensure to order lunches in advance on ParentPay for the first week back.



**Next half-term...**

**Monday 26th February**

School re-opens

Reception Vision and  
Hearing Screen Checks

**Thursday 29th February**

Hare & Tortoise Ballet  
Workshop

**Friday 1st March**

Squirrel Cass Parent/Carer  
Lunch, KS2 11:40am

# Friday Night is Takeaway Night!

Have a family pizza night on us!



Thanks to Grant funding we are offering families the opportunity to order a takeaway **FREE!**

First come first served. You order via Eventbrite!  
All instructions are on there.

Collect from school on **Friday 23rd February**  
at time you have booked!

All stone baked pizza are being prepared and cooked by our friends at Blakemere Village Restaurant.



## PRE-ORDERING SCHOOL MEALS

Please ensure that you pre-book meals on ParentPay for when we come back next half-term. If your child is having a packed lunch from home, you still need to select this on the ordering system.

A big well done to this week's attendance winners

## BEAR CLASS

who have won this week with 97.6% attendance. They have been rewarded with 15 minutes of extra outdoor play.

It is important that you inform school if your child is absent from school. You can phone the absence line on 01606 593315 option 1 or you can Whatsapp or text Mrs Ashworth on 07754 559 291.

**Darnhall's Dazzling Debrief by Journalism Club:**

This week the students at Journalism club have been looking into leap years!

**What will you do on the extra day this month?**

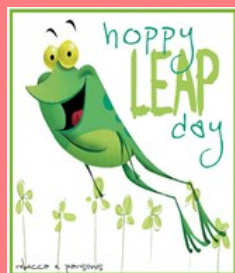
**Leap years!**

**By PA**

4 million people in the world are leap day babies. Leap day babies are called leapers or leap lings. There is a one in 1,461 chance of being a leap day baby.

A leap year is a year in which an extra day is added to the Gregorian calendar, which is used by most of the world. While an ordinary year has 365 days, a leap year has 366 days.

We have leap years because instead of 365 days, the Earth really takes a few minutes less than 365-1/4 days (365.24219) to go completely orbit the Sun. Without leap years, the seasons would start one day earlier on the calendar every four years.



**Leap years!**

**By A-RS**

Is leap day good luck?

In some countries it is bad luck.

In Scotland, it's believed that those who are born on leap day will live a life of untold suffering. Leap years in general are also a doomed year for farmers, this old rhyme states: "Leap year was never a good sheep year."

**Leap years!**

**By DM**

Those born on that day don't always get to celebrate their actual birthday — since that date occurs only every four years. Someone born on Leap Day typically celebrates their birthday on February 28th or March 1st. Leap years are important so that our calendar year matches the solar year — the amount of time it takes for Earth to make a trip around the Sun.





**PopCat's  
Music Time**



**FREE** Social interaction  
for parents and their little ones.

**MUSIC & MOVEMENT FOR 0 to 5 YEARS**

**Dates:**

Friday 5th January 2024	Friday 9th February 2024
Friday 12th January 2024	Friday 1st March 2024
Friday 19th January 2024	Friday 8th March 2024
Friday 26th January 2024	Friday 15th March 2024
Friday 2nd February 2024	Friday 22nd March 2024

**2pm - 3pm in the KS2 Hall**

12 places available. **To book your place please email:**  
[contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk)

Please note, in the rare event that a class is cancelled,  
you will be notified via the Darnhall Nursery and  
Primary School Facebook page.



sessions for parents  
and carers with babies and toddlers!

**Wednesdays in the Key  
Stage 2 Hall from  
9:00am - 9:45am**



**Dates for sessions are:**

- 10th January 2024
- 17th January 2024
- 24th January 2024
- 31st January 2024
- 7th February 2022
- 14th February 2024
- 28th February 2024
- 6th March 2024
- 13th March 2024
- 20th March 2024

**Sessions are FREE. No need to book**

Please note, in the rare event that a class is cancelled, you will be  
notified via the Darnhall Nursery and Primary School Facebook page.

# Darnhall's Dinkies Playgroup

Is a totally **FREE** Baby and Toddler Group where you  
will have the warmest welcome!

**Every Thursday** (Term Time only) **8:45am - 10:00am**

**Key Stage Two Hall, Sandyhill Road site CW7 1JL**

No need to book just come along and join the fun with Mrs Eaton!

Includes a healthy snack

Please note, in the rare event that a class is cancelled, you will be notified via the Darnhall  
Nursery and Primary School Facebook page.



# Parent/Carer Lunch



We would like to invite you along to a special lunch with your child's class. Please refer to the menu for that week for options. Menus are on the website. The cost of the meal will be **£2.80** to be paid on ParentPay.

Class Name	Date of Lunch
<b>Butterfly Class</b>	Friday 13th October 2023
<b>Dragonfly Class</b>	Friday 10th November 2023
<b>Grasshopper Class</b>	Friday 17th November 2023
<b>Centipede Class</b>	Friday 24th November 2023
<b>Bumblebee Class</b>	Friday 5th January 2024
<b>Spider Class</b>	Friday 12th January 2024
<b>Beaver Class</b>	Friday 19th January 2024
<b>Hedgehog Class</b>	Friday 26th January 2024
<b>Otter Class</b>	Friday 2nd February 2024
<b>Rabbit Class</b>	Friday 9th February 2024
<b>Fox Class</b>	Friday 16th February 2024
<b>Squirrel Class</b>	Friday 1st March 2024
<b>Bear Class</b>	Friday 8th March 2024
<b>Badger Class</b>	Friday 15th March 2024
<b>Owl Class</b>	Friday 22nd March 2024

If you cannot attend yourself, grandparents or other family members are of course welcome but due to limited space, only one adult per child will be able to attend. We cannot accommodate any babies or toddlers.

If your child's class is in the Early Years building, then you will have your lunch in this building with them. If your child's class is in the KS2 building, then your lunch will be in the KS2 Hall.

You will need to arrive at school, at the correct building, at 11:40am on the day of the special lunch.



# Spring Term 2024 Uniform Time Table



Please note, this rota will start from Wednesday 3rd January 2024.

Class	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Ladybird Nursery	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Forest School	Uniform
Caterpillar Nursery	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Forest School
Butterfly Class	Uniform	Uniform	Forest School	PE Kit	Uniform
Dragonfly Class	Uniform	Uniform	Forest School	PE Kit	Uniform
Centipede Class	Forest School	PE Kit	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform
Grasshopper Class	Forest School	Uniform	Uniform	PE Kit	PE Kit
Spider Class	Uniform	PE Kit	Forest School	PE Kit	Uniform
Bumblebee Class	PE Kit	Uniform	Forest School	Uniform	PE Kit
Beaver Class	Uniform	PE Kit	PE Kit	Forest School	Uniform
Hedgehog Class	Uniform	Forest School	Uniform	PE Kit	PE Kit
Otter Class	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit	Forest School	Uniform
Rabbit Class	Uniform	Forest School	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit
Squirrel Class	PE Kit	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform	Forest School
Fox Class	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform	PE Kit	Forest School
Badger Class	Uniform	PE Kit	PE Kit	Uniform	Forest School
Bear Class	PE Kit	Uniform	Uniform	Forest School	PE Kit
Owl Class	PE KIT	Forest School	Uniform	PE Kit	Uniform