

Weekly Bulletin no.54

Friday 1st March 2024



This week, we welcomed the children back after half term and what a wonderful week it has been filled with lots of wonderful learning opportunities. Some of our Year 6 children enjoyed a day out at The Potteries Museum and Arts Gallery. Thank you to Mr Young for organising this trip. **Next Thursday, is World Book Day**—children can wear a book-related outfit to school this day if they wish. See details on our flyer for more information about this.



It is with great sadness that this week Mrs T shared the news that Mrs Carol Oakes, a much-loved dinner lady at Darnhall, has sadly passed away. Mrs Oakes worked at our school for 30 years until she retired in 2018.

For any parents, carers or ex pupils who knew Mrs Oakes, we welcome you to join some of our staff members who will be lining the pathway outside our Early Years building, on Darnhall School Lane, on **Tuesday 12th March at 11:25am**, ready for the funeral procession to pass by at 11:30am.

Coming

Thursday 7th March

Owl Class Residential to
Petty Pool

Year 6 watching Snap Trap performance in school.

Friday 8th March

Bear Class Parent / Carer Lunch—11:40am KS2 Hall

World Book Day

Thursday 7th March 2024



To celebrate World Book Day children can wear a book-related outfit to school - this could be their favourite book, or their most memorable character.

There will be a competition where we will be judging the most creative homemade outfit. We will have winners in Nursery, KS1 and KS2. This will be free to enter and is optional.

ATTENDANCE

Please don't forget to contact school before 8.30am if your child is too ill to attend school. We also need to be kept updated for any other days they are then absent. You can WhatsApp or text to: 07754559291, or contact school 01606 593315.

If you are uncertain advice could be too ill for school is available on the nhs.uk website:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Our school day starts at 8.30, this week alone we have had over 65 children who have arrived after this time. Please do everything possible for your child to have the best start to their day by being on the playground when the bell rings.

EXCITING NEWS!

Look out for our upcoming attendance competition!

How to get entries in our attendance draw!

1. No late marks this half term = 1 ticket
2. Full attendance 11th March to 28th March = 2 tickets
3. Full attendance every day from Monday until Easter = 3 tickets

You could win a £50 Entertainer Gift Card!
(a few to be won)

PRE-ORDERING SCHOOL MEALS

Log into ParentPay, click on the '**Make bookings**' button to identify which days you want your child to have a meal. Save and pay it's that simple! If you do not pre-order your child a meal, they will not be able to order one in school and so you will need to provide them with a packed lunch from home instead. You will not be able to order a meal if you have an outstanding balance on your account. This will need to be cleared in full before you can order further meals.

If you have any problems accessing your Parent Pay account, please email contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk and one of our admin team will happily assist you.

Meet our **Starting Well Nurse** **Sam Kennerley...**

Sam will be on hand for drop in coffee mornings soon!

8:30-10:00am, KS2

Tuesday 12th March 2024

Tuesday 16th April 2024

Tuesday 4th June 2024

Tuesday 9th July 2024



If you are wanting to come but can't make 8:30am let us know the time so Sam waits for you.

NHS Healthy Start Card



Get help to buy food and milk with the NHS Health Start Scheme.

What is Healthy Start?

If you're more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under 4, you may be entitled to get help to buy healthy food and milk.

If you're eligible, you'll be sent a Healthy Start card with money on it that you can use in some UK shops. We'll add your benefit onto this card every 4 weeks.

You can use your card to buy:

- Plain liquid cow's milk
- Fresh, frozen, and tinned fruit and vegetables
- Fresh, dried, and tinned pulses
- Infant formula milk based on cow's milk

You can also use your card to collect:

- Healthy Start vitamins – these support you during pregnancy and breastfeeding
- Vitamin drops for babies and young children – these are suitable from birth to 4 years old

For more information and to see if you qualify go to: www.healthystart.nhs.uk



A big well done to this week's attendance winners

OTTER CLASS

have won this week!

They have been rewarded with 15 minutes of extra outdoor play.

WELL DONE!



Darnhall's Dazzling Debrief by Journalism Club:

This week the students at Journalism club have been researching their favourite Dr Seuss books as it is Dr Seuss day on the 2nd of March!

Leap years!

By ZM

The Grinch is a character created by Dr Seuss. He is known as the boy in green and is made to look like a bad character but he turns into a good character at the end. The Grinch is also a very popular



By IF

This story is about the Grinch who stole Christmas.

There was once was a town called Whoville all the who people were so happy. But especially at Christmas time, they are all festive except for the Grinch who decided to steal Christmas for himself.

By PA and DM

THE LORAX BY DR SUESS

The characters of Ted and Audrey are named after Dr Seuss (whose real name was Theodor Seuss Geisel) and his second wife Audrey Geisel.

The Lorax, a small, moustached creature with a powerful message about environmental conservation, has become an iconic symbol of the importance of taking care of our planet.

By AR-S

The Grinch is a large green man who hates Christmas, he started to hate Christmas when he was little.

This is a funny film and you don't have to watch it just at Christmas either!

HOPE YOU ENJOYED THIS WEEKS NEWS.

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