



Dereham Church of England Junior Academy



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Dear All

Firstly welcome to everyone, welcome back to those who have already been members of our school community and a very warm welcome to those of you who are joining us for the first time. The first week of the new school year is always one that comes with a range of feelings for all of the children. For some excitement will be the strongest feeling, other children may be feeling more anxious. Walking around school there have been many happy faces which is a pleasure to see. We have also had some tears from other children. We know that some children will find starting at a new school or in a new class more difficult than others. We will always do all we can for as long as necessary to help the children to settle. If you do have any concerns at all please do get in touch with your child's class teacher at the first opportunity.

A reminder about uniform. Please help us by ensuring your child is coming to school in the correct school uniform. Although many of the children are now wearing the purple and white uniform, green and gold is still okay again we would ask that you purchase the purple and white when the uniform needs replacing. All children should be wearing plain back shoes please. And no jewellery except one pair of stud earrings which must be removed or covered for PE. PE kit is a plain white round neck tee shirt (no logos or badges please) and a pair of shorts.

Those of you who already know the school know what a busy place the car park is at the start and particularly at the end of day. My best advice would be to avoid bringing your car into the school at all if you can. If you do need to bring your car in please do be patient and respect our one way system (even if that does mean waiting for others) priority in the car park will always be given to the school bus and any school taxis.

We encourage the children to bring a water bottle to school and also a snack is very valuable at break time. Please remember, no biscuits, crisps, sweets, cake or chocolate please.

I wish everyone a successful and enjoyable year

Neil Toplis

Well done to Lara Costa
for being this year's first
'Star of the Week'.

The next Newsletter will be sent
home on Monday 26th September

House Points Certificates

Well done to the following children who have received House Point awards recently:

50 HPs: Headteacher's Award:- Masie Tey & Leila Moon

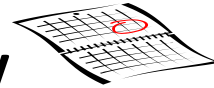
100HP:- Bronze Award:- Imogen Holley

250HP Platinum Award:- Ben Beardon

300HP Amethyst Award:- Ryan Walpole



Dates For Your Diary



Autumn Term 2016

Monday 19 th September	Y6 Brazil Day
Tuesday 20 th September	Y5 Our World (Young Enterprise Day)
Wednesday 21 st September	Roald Dahl themed reading café 9.30am
Wednesday 28 th September	Y4 Egyptian Day (Norwich Castle Museum)
Wednesday 5 th October	Parents Evening
Thursday 6 th October	Parents Evening
Thursday 13 th October	Y3 & 4 Harvest Service (St Nicholas Church)
Friday 14 th October	Y5 & 6 Harvest Service (St Nicholas Church)
Friday 21 st October	Last Day of the half term
Monday 31 st October	First Day of the New Half term
Tuesday 8 th November	School Photographs
Thursday 10 th November	Parents' Café 9am
Monday 14 th – Friday 18 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 12 th December	Parents' Café 9am
Tuesday 13 th December	Y3 & 4 Christmas Service (St Nicholas Church)
Thursday 15 th December	Y5 & 6 Christmas Service (St Nicholas Church)
Friday 16 th December	Last day of Term

Spring Term 2017

Thursday 5 th January	First day of the Spring Term
Wednesday 25 th January	Parents Evening
Thursday 26 th January	Parents Evening
Tuesday 7 th February	Internet Safety Day
Friday 3 rd February	Parents' Café 9am
Friday 10 th February	Last day of the half term
Monday 20 th February	First day of the new half term
Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day
	Parents' Café 9am
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th March	Y4 Horstead Residential Week
Tuesday 28 th March	Y3 & 4 Easter Service (St Nicholas Church)
Thursday 30 th March	Y5 & 6 Easter Service (St Nicholas Church)
Friday 31 st March	Last day of the Spring Term

Summer Term 2017

Tuesday 18 th April	First Day of the Summer Term
Monday 8 th – Friday 12 th May	Y6 End of Key Stage (SATs) test week.
Monday 15 th May	Parents' Café 9am
Friday 26 th May	Last day of the half term
Monday 5 th June	First day of the new half term
Tuesday 16 th May	Y6 Individual and Class Photographs
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th June	Y6 Lake District Residential Week
Monday 3 rd July	Sports Day and Family Picnic
Monday 10 th July	Reserve Sports Day and Family Picnic (will only go ahead if previous week does not)
Tuesday 11 th July	Y6 Leavers Service
Wednesday 12 th July	Parent's Café 9am
Friday 21 st July	Last day of the school year.

All dates correct as of 9th September 2016. We will let you know of any changes and extra days in future newsletters