

GREAT DUNHAM GAZETTE

Issue 1 ~ 6th September 2019

Growth Mindset Mantra of the Month ~ 'The capacity to learn is a gift, the ability to learn is a skill; the willingness to learn is a choice ~ Brian Herbert

Welcome Back

Hope you all had a fantastic holiday. We would like to welcome our new reception children Ava, Leo, Connor, Cosima and Harry. They have all settled into school life quickly and are enjoying their learning.



Children have made a great start, settling quickly back into routines and showing a wonderful attitude to learning. We are looking forward to a super year. Already the teachers are busy planning visits and visitors to enhance the learning and provide some memorable moments. Curriculum newsletters are being sent out today and available on the school website.

MacMillan Coffee Morning:



9.00-10.30~ Friday 27th Sept in school. Any donations of cakes would be appreciated, please bring to the office on the day. Y6 pupils will be

acting as waiters. Any remaining cakes will be sold at the end of the day. **Please remember that we cannot accept cakes with nuts.**

Harvest Festival

The Harvest Festival will take place on Wednesday 3rd October @ 2:30pm (venue to be confirmed). If you would like to donate any tinned/packed food or toiletries, please leave in the office w/b 1st October. All donations will be sent to Dereham Foodbank.



Hickling visit to Castle Acre Priory/River Nar



Hickling visited Castle Acre this week as an introduction this term's topic 'The Rare River Nar'. During the visit children completed a river study, counted fish, looked at the various types of habitat and explored the Priory. Also sketches were drawn of the Priory and river.

Aldi's Kit for Schools



Aldi will be issuing stickers between 6th September and 3rd November. Twenty schools will be given the chance to win £20,000 to kick start a health legacy for their school. We are collecting the stickers and would be grateful if you could bring your stickers to the office. Tell your friends and family too!

Reminder



A message from the Parish Council

Great Dunham Parish Council is currently raising funds to have a defibrillator fitted outside the Village hall which will be of benefit to both the village and the school.

Breckland lottery are offering the funding if we can get a minimum of 30 people signed up at 5 tickets for £1 each ticket. Just log onto the Breckland lottery site and click on the link. Thank you to all who support this initiative

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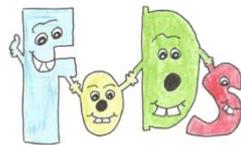
National Lottery Awards for All Bid

We have just been notified that our bid for Lottery Funding has been successful. We have been awarded £10,000 which, when combined with money raised by FoDS, will be used to install new play equipment for the children. This will happen in the very near future. Below are pictures of the equipment that we have opted for.



Friends of Dunham School

Friends of Dunham School (FoDS) is our fundraising group. Led by parents FoDS organises fundraising events and activities throughout the school year. The money is then used to contribute to the cost of school trips and purchase equipment for school (wooden play equipment; dictionaries).



FoDs are always keen to recruit new members (Many hands make light work!). They meet once each half term, more frequently in the run up to events, at school. Refreshments are provided. The next meeting will take place in school on Wednesday 12th September at 2:30.

Log on to www.easyfundraising.org.uk to help raise funds for school while you shop.

FoDs have organised a School Lottery. If you would like to purchase a ticket, log on to www.yourschoollottery.co.uk.

If you are interested in joining FoDs come along to the MacMillan Coffee Morning and not only support a very worthy cause but also meet the current committee and find out more about the plans for the year.

Office Hours

The school office is open 8.30-3.30. Outside of these times the school answer phone will be switched on. Please leave a message.

Dates for September 2019

- 9th Meet the Teacher – Year R/1/2 end of year expectations
- 18th Maths workshop for parents @ 3:30pm
- 25th Rec Height, weight, vision and hearing check
- 25th Y6 Height and weight check
- 27th Macmillan Coffee Morning @ 9am-10:30am

October 2019

- 1st Parents RWInc session 9am-10am
- 3rd Individual and sibling photos
- 4th Greshams Cross Country Championship
- 8th Open morning - prospective parents 9:30-10:30am
- 10th Open afternoon for parents to share learning @ 2:30pm
- 15th Open afternoon - prospective parents 2-3pm
- 16th Parent Teacher Consultations 3:20-5pm
- 17th Parent Teacher Consultations 3:20-6pm
- 19th-27th School Closed – half term
- 29th KS1 Cross Country 10am-2pm
- 31st KS2 Cross Country 10am-2pm

No After School Club Reminder

- 13th December
- 18th December
- 1st April
- 25th and 26th June
- 9th July
- 21st July



Are you the parent of a child or young person with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)?

Join us for coffee at an information and feedback session about

SEN Support and Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs)

We've invited Norfolk SEND Partnership Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) and a representative of the Local Offer to join us so you can:

- Find out more about SEN Support and EHCP assessments
- Tell us about your own experiences of support for your child with SEND
- Ask questions in a relaxed setting
- Share ideas with other parent carers



Tuesday 17 September 10.00am – 1.00pm
Community Room, South Lynn Community Centre, 10 St. Michael's Road, King's Lynn, PE30 5HE

Monday 23 September 10.00am – 1.00pm
The Suite, Dereham Football Club, Aldiss Park, Norwich Road, Dereham, NR20 3PX

Tuesday 24 September 10.00am – 1.00pm
The Noble Hall, The Priory Centre, Priory Plain, Great Yarmouth, NR30 1NW

Monday 30 September 10.00am – 1.00pm
The Colman Room, South Norfolk House, Cygnet Court, Long Stratton, NR15 2XE

Wednesday 2 October 10.00am – 1.00pm
Main Hall, Aylsham Care Trust, St. Michael's Avenue, Aylsham, NR11 6YA

If you can come, please email us at events@familyvoice.org.uk or call/text on 07535 895748.

