

Dunmow St Mary's Primary School

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Dear Parents

Thank you to our volunteers

We have a number of people to thank for their volunteering services over the year.

Thank you to Nicola Jones, Helena Bailey, Laura Trevillian, Sam Barno, Anna West, Barbara Sycamore, Laura Beedle, Sophie Chenery, Laura Balerdi and Morag Brown our volunteer readers. The children have really benefitted from the additional reading opportunities you are able to give them. We still require volunteer readers so if anyone is interested please contact the office. Thank you also to Josh Tyrell who has been volunteering in Y4.

A big thank you for Catherine Mummery for all her help with our gardens and outdoor space this past year. It has made a huge difference to the area.

Thank you to Mr Munson for providing all the recording equipment and producing our Y6 leavers DVD. Thanks also to the Willis family, Mr and Mrs Trevillian, Mr Whitehead, Mr Barno and Mr Lockett for their help and cooking skills at the Y6 BBQ evening yesterday.

Sports

We were so pleased that the weather was kind enough for us to hold all three sports days this year. Whilst they looked very different we know the children and parents enjoyed themselves. We can't wait to get back to our usual format next year.

Sport has been a constant throughout the lockdown and the children have been participating in a number of virtual competitions over this term. We have now received the results below. Well done to all of the children, we are very proud of you. The medals and certificates mentioned will follow in due course.

Virtual Quad kids athletics competition

The following Y1 pupils won gold in the Dunmow family competition and will receive a medal.

Theo	Elexia	Delilah	Dolly
Gabriel	Eli	Amahra	Leo

The following Y4 pupils won gold in the Dunmow family competition and will receive a medal.

George N	Jacob H	Liam T	Sebastian
George H	Harry LMc	William	Joe

The following Y5/6 won bronze in the Dunmow family competition and will receive a medal.

Ben H	Mac	Isla S	Alex I
George L	Ethan H	Andrew	Albie

Virtual Cricket competition

The following Y4 boys won gold in the Dunmow family competition, came 1st in the Uttlesford competition and came 1st in the Essex competition. A fantastic achievement. You will receive medals.

Joe T	Zach	Liam
George N	Flynn	Jacob H

The following Y6 boys won silver in the Dunmow competition and came 3rd in the Uttlesford competition. You will all receive medals.

Ben H	Archie	Charlie F
Alex I	Peter	

Virtual Archery competition

Y4_won gold in the Dunmow family competition and will receive medals.

Zach	Bethany D
Jacob	Molly

Y5_won gold in the Dunmow family competition and will receive medals.

Alex P	Ava P
Riley	Esme

Virtual Tennis competition

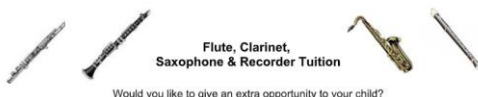
The following classes took part in the Dunmow family tennis competition. All will receive certificates.

Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
3SC 2nd	4LH/NT 1st	5SM 1st	6LR 1st
3RB 3rd	4LW 4th	5NR 3rd	6BH 2nd

Library support

We have purchased and been donated a large number of wonderful books for the library which need covering to protect them. If anyone is able to offer some help with this please email [Suzanne Wood](mailto:Suzanne.Wood). Any help would be gratefully received.

Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone and Recorder Tuition



I am an experienced professional music tutor (BA Honours Music graduate, ABRSM Advanced Certificate, ABRSM Grade 8) offering flute, clarinet, saxophone and recorder tuition at Dunmow St.Mary's Primary School.

I offer two different lesson options:

Solo 20 20 mins £110 for 10 lessons	Solo 30 30 mins £140 for 10 lessons
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Written progress reports will be provided at the end of each 10 lesson term.

If you are interested, please contact me for further details at rcatchpole@postmaster.co.uk

Mr. R. Catchpole B.A. Hons.

If you would be interested in your child receiving tuition in flute, clarinet, saxophone or recorder from September, we are lucky enough to have Richard Catchpole returning to deliver lessons in school. Lessons will take place on a Wednesday afternoon and the times will vary so your child will not miss the same lesson twice. If you would be interested in taking up the offer of lessons, please contact Richard directly on mrcatchpole@postmaster.co.uk

End of term

Children are able to bring in a game for the last day of term. These should not be electronic games/devices and should be named.

A reminder that we do not finish early on the last day of term. All children are expected to stay for the full day. If your child needs to leave early for any reason this must be pre-arranged and evidence of an appointment, as usual, must accompany any notification.

Wanted

If you have any farm animals your children no longer play with, 25+ piece complete jigsaws or age 9+ t-shirts the children no longer wear could you please send these into school with your child. Thank you.

September arrangements

In September we will be reverting to pre-Covid arrangements at the beginning and end of the day. This means that at the beginning of the day parents can use either entrance and can come onto the school site and drop the children to the playground or to the classroom door. The gates will still open at 8.40am. School starts officially at 8.55am and children are late after this time.

The end of the day will go back to 3.15pm finish for everyone. Again, parents can use either entrance. The gates open at 3.10pm and parents can come onto site and wait for the children in the playground. YR,1 and 2 will be handed to their parents from the classroom door and Y3 - 6 will be let out into the playground.

Please let us know if children are walking home on their own as we will hold children at the gate without an adult unless we have permission for them to leave unattended.

Events

Please find below the event calendar for the last weeks of term:

Week commencing Monday 19 th July	
MONDAY	Meet the new teacher sessions
TUESDAY 9.45	Y6 Leavers' Service at St Mary's Church
TUESDAY 3.10-3.30	Y5 Chocolate Sale – front playground for parents only
TUESDAY	New Reception 2021 parent information evening
WEDNESDAY	Last day of term – finish at usual time

There are a number of summer camps, clubs and activities taking place over the summer on our community noticeboard so do take a look

<https://dsmprimary.essex.sch.uk/parents/community-noticeboard/>

Yours sincerely
Clare Griffiths