

Dear Parents/Carers,



British Legion Poppy Appeal 2019

Thank you to everyone who bought a poppy at school over the last couple of weeks. Your generous donations raised a grand total of £139.43! Every penny raised has gone directly to the British Legion Poppy Appeal 2019.



Last Friday the School Ambassadors invited the children, for a £1 donation, to come to school wearing spots or stripes, some children even wore a combination of the two!!! With your support, the children raised an amazing £250!



Science Day



Last week the children had a very engaging and inspiring visit from the scientist 'Professor Bubbleworks'. Professor Bubbleworks worked with the children throughout the day, mixing potions, launching rockets, testing hypothesis and drawing conclusions, whilst also teaching children about the scientific knowledge and skills behind the experiments and investigations! We have had many comments from parents saying how much their child enjoyed the whole experience and are wanting to carry out their own investigations at home!



Dance Festival

Well done to our amazing year 2 children who took part in the Dance Festival on Wednesday evening at Ivanhoe College. Miss Morton, Mrs Locker and Miss Weir were so proud of all of the children throughout the whole evening. Their behaviour was outstanding! Thank you to those parents who were able to come along and enjoy the fun, without your continued support events such as this would not be possible. Please see our school Facebook page to watch the children's performance.

Beyond Bullying

As a school we are committed to providing a caring, friendly and safe environment for our pupils, so they can learn and play in a secure environment. To further improve the culture within the school we have been explaining to pupils, during assemblies and in class discussions, more about what is meant by bullying and what to do if they think they or someone else is being bullied. The children also had a visit from a performing arts company that delivered workshops for the children with a focus on 'Making it Better'.

Reminders

PTFA Clothing Collection on Tuesday 26th November - please drop clothing bags off at the school gate before 9am

Friday 29th November - All school run clubs finish for the Autumn Term

End of Key Stage SATS

SATs week for our current Year 6 children will take place in the week beginning Monday 11th May 2020. National testing for Year 2 children will take place during the month of May 2020. We will be holding information meetings regarding testing arrangements for Year 6 and Year 2 later on in the school year.

Apply for a School Place – Primary/Secondary

The deadline for applying for a *Primary School* place is **15th January 2020**. For applications, the simplest way is online at: www.leics.gov.uk/admissions. If you need any further information, please contact the Admissions team on admissions@leics.gov.uk or 0116 305 6684.

Contact Information

Please remember to regularly update the school office in writing if there are any changes to the contact details we have on record for your child, including people on your contact list who have permission to collect your child from school.

At Donisthorpe Primary School, we respect your need for privacy and protect any personal information, including but not limited to, any 'personal data' defined in the General Data Protection Regulation 2016 that you share with us. If you would like to find out more information about how we and/or the DfE collect, use and store your personal data, please visit our website Donisthorpe Primary School to download our GDPR Data Protection Policy or request a copy from the school.

As always, if you have any questions or queries, do not hesitate to talk to me or to your child's class teacher.

Sylvie Newman

Executive Headteacher

Donisthorpe School Diary Dates

Date	Event	Time
26 Nov	Year 5/6 Dodgeball Ashby School	3.15pm
27 Nov	Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Final	11.00am
28 Nov	Year 6 Swimming	pm
28 Nov	Sports Award – Hermitage Leisure Centre	6.00pm – 8.30pm
30 Nov	Choir singing in Ashby	11.45am
3 Dec	Year 5/6 Kirby Shield at Donisthorpe	3.30pm
5 Dec	Year 6 Swimming	pm
5 Dec	PTFA Christmas Craft and Shopping Evening	6.30pm – 9.00pm
6 Dec	PTFA Breakfast with Santa	8.00am
11 Dec	Year 5/6 Kirby Shield at Woodcote	3.30pm
12 Dec	Year 6 Swimming	pm
12 Dec	EYFS & Year 1 Nativity	1.30pm & 6.00pm
13 Dec	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day	
16 Dec	Year 3/4 Christmas Party	pm
17 Dec	Christmas at Church KS2 & Year 2	9.30am
17 Dec	EYFS & Year 1 Christmas Party	am
17 Dec	Year 2 Christmas Party	pm
18 Dec	Year 5/6 Christmas Party	pm
19 Dec	Christmas Dinner	
20 Dec	Robin Hood Pantomime	am
20 Dec	School closes for Christmas Holidays	3.10pm
Christmas Break		
6 Jan	School reopens to children	8.40am