

NEWSLETTER Friday 24th May 2019

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Head talk

Here we are at the end of the first half of the summer term. I really can't believe how quickly the year has gone. For Year 6 there is only 7 weeks of school left before they move on to new schools. For Year 2 there are only 7 weeks until they become junior pupil. Also, we look forward to welcoming the children that are joining us in Reception from September to enjoy a little experience of being at school after half term.

Over the next half term, we have an enormous number of events taking place! However, now is the time for children and staff to recharge their batteries!

A reminder that Monday 3rd June is a Nonpupil day. We return to school on Tuesday 4th June.

I wish you an enjoyable half term with your families.

Mr. David Larner Headteacher

LUNCH MENU FOR W/C 4th June 2019 IS WEEK 1.

A reminder that all <u>dinner</u> money must be handed in to the class teacher. The money must be in an envelope, marked with the days the lunches are required, and the child's name.

It would be helpful to the office staff if the exact money is paid. Change will not be given but will be carried forward as a credit on the dinner register and returned each half term. Please find attached the menu – the trial has worked well so the menu attached has been amended to carry through to October 2019.

The cost for the half term for lunches is: £85.10 (37 days x £2.30 per day – Tuesday 4th June – Wednesday 24th July) Thank you.

Year 6 – Half Term Cost for Lunches Due to the Mersea residential trip in June the half term cost for lunches will be £78.20 – and for those visiting their new secondary school for induction days please remember to deduct accordingly.

Year 5 – Half term cost - £ 82.80 (due to visit to London)

School photos

School photos have been sent out with the children this week – please note that the deadline for orders to be returned to the school office is WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE. Thank you. The school office have large versions of the photos that are available for you to view if you need to.

Office e-mail

If you are needing to contact school urgently please call on 01206 322242 or use the office@dedham.essex.sch.uk e-mail address. Any member of the office staff can access the office e-mail address to read those e-mails. Please be aware that if you directly e-mail a member of the office staff and they are not in that day/at that time, then the e-mail will not be read. Thank you.



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KS2 Choir

Please note that the KS2 Choir club will not be continuing after half term.

Father's Day - Surprise Room - Thursday 13th June

Please look out for a 'Surprise Room' slip in children's book bags and ensure the completed slip and money (£3 per child) is returned in a marked envelope. Copies of the slip will be available in the school office. We would be extremely grateful if completed slips and money are returned to the school office by Monday 10th June.

Parent Group News!

Preparations for the Summer Fair on July 5th are officially underway! This year's event will see the return of some favourites, including the ever-popular inflatables, a range of refreshments, hair and tattoos and pony rides. We will also have more games than ever before and for the first time are introducing a theme to the Fair... drum roll please for the Summer Beach Party!

In an effort to refresh the raffle, we are setting aside the hampers for the summer and instead will be raffling a Barrow of Booze and a number of beach bags containing essential items for summer fun. We also hope to add some summer days out to the list of prizes. Watch this space! As ever, there will be a range of ways you can lend your support to making the day a huge success. Your class reps will be in touch soon.

Volunteers Required

The parent group are seeking volunteers to kindly display advertisement boards outside their properties to promote the 'Summer Beach Party' on Friday 5th July. The boards will be set up the 1st week of June and the collect them company will after the event. Kinasleiah Residential has kindlv offered to sponsor the event again and we require 30 addresses.

And finally, we are delighted to announce that Christine Niarchos has agreed to take over as Chair of the Parent Group from September. She will be ably supported by Kate and Lara who will continue as Treasurer and Secretary respectively. Please join us in giving Christine our thanks and ongoing support.

Helen, Fiona, Kate, Natasha and Lara

Class R Showcase Assembly – Monday 17th June at 2:30pm

The Class R Showcase Assembly will be on Monday 17th June at 2:30pm in the school hall.

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Enrichment Activities

Attached to this Bulletin are flyers regarding possible enrichment activities. These are organised by external organisations. Whilst Dedham Primary School is happy to share these opportunities with our parents and students we have no responsibility for them.



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Essex's First Major Green Festival – Planet Essex on 22nd June

Please find attached details of Essex's first Green Festival taking place on the 22nd June at Cressing Temple Barns.

Dedham Tennis Club

Please find attached information regarding Half Term Holiday Camp at Dedham Tennis Club.

Volunteers Mentors Needed

Please find attached a poster from CAVS Essex Children & Young People's Service asking for volunteer mentors.

Calendar dates for the summer term

Date	Event
27 th May	Half Term week
3 rd June	Non-pupil day
10 th June	Phonics Screening week
14 th June	Sports Day
17 th June	Class R Showcase Assembly
Tr June	at 2:30pm
20 th June	Class 5 trip to Elizabeth Selby
	Primary School and St Paul's
	Cathedral
21 st June	Reserve Sports Day
26-28 th	Year 6 residential to Mersea
June	
1 st and 2 nd	Manningtree High School
July	Induction
5 th July	Summer Fair
17 th July	KS2 Production at 6:00pm
18 th July	KS2 production at 7:00pm
19 th July	Music recital at 1:30pm
	Reports home
22 nd July	Assembly at Dedham Church
	Open afternoon from 2:00-
	6:00pm
23 rd July	KS1 & KS2 Celebration and
	Awards Assembly at 9:15am
	Leavers' party 5:00 – 7:00pm
24 th July	Leavers' Assembly at 9.15am