



NEWSLETTER

Thursday 19th September 2019

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Head Talk

What a busy week we are having in school. Reception children are now in school all day and are settling well into their new routines. We enjoyed Collective Worship with Eric on Tuesday, learning about our values of friendship and teamwork. We look forward to tomorrow's celebration assembly when we will recognise children who have demonstrated these values and others over the past week.

I would like to thank all the parents that came along to the Meet the Teacher meetings which have all now been completed.

What a wonderful Sunday morning for 'The Dedham Run'. It was a wonderful event with over 1000 runners, superbly organised by The Dedham Run Committee. It was lovely to see so many of our children and families involved, either supporting, running, or both! We are so very grateful that the run raises money for the school, enabling us to buy things for the children that otherwise would not be possible.

David Larner

Headteacher

School Dinners

LUNCH MENU FOR W/C 23rd September 2019 IS WEEK 1

A reminder that all dinner money must be handed in, on a Monday morning, to the class teacher. The money must be in an envelope, marked with the days the lunches are required, and the child's name. Thank you.

Macmillan Coffee Morning – Friday 27th September

On Friday 27th September, the staff at Dedham would like to provide cakes for children to buy at break time to raise money for Macmillan. The suggested donation for a cake is 50p and any remaining cakes will be sold after school. Thank you

School Photos - Family

Family photos will be taken on the morning of **Wednesday 25th September**.

NO Celebration Assembly 27th September

Please note that there will be NO Celebration Assembly on Friday 27th September.

Data Collection Sheets

Data Collection Sheets will be sent out to all children (via book bags) today. Please read our Privacy Notice for Pupils and Parents carefully to get a clear understanding of how we collect, use, protect or otherwise handle your data. Follow the link below;

<https://www.dedham.essex.sch.uk/the-info-hub/data-protection>

Please can you ensure that **ALL** Data Collection Sheets are returned, **signed and dated**, even if there are no amendments to be made.

Birthday treats

We kindly ask that no cakes, sweets, gifts etc are shared in school. Thank you.



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Break time snacks

All children are encouraged to have a snack at morning break to help them to remain focused on lessons until lunchtime. Please ensure that children only bring in fresh fruit/vegetables. All children in EYFS and KS1 are offered fresh fruit/vegetables at break time as part of the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme (SFVS).

School Council Elections

On Thursday next week (26th), years 1 to 6 have the opportunity to vote for their new school council representatives. If your child wishes to put their name forward, they should give some thought to the reasons why they would be good in the role and should be prepared to share their thoughts with their class before voting begins. Children may be a councillor no more than twice in their time at school and can not stand in two consecutive years.

Procedures if taking your child out of school during term time

Please be aware that if you decide to take your child out of school during term time, you will need to obtain an Application for Leave from the school office (one per child) and submit this to the school with a covering letter. Please ensure that this is done prior to your child's absence.

Harvest Festival – Dedham & Ardleigh Parishes

There is a Harvest Celebration at 11am at Dedham Church on Sunday 29th September with Songs of Praise at 5pm.

On Sunday 6th October at 9:30am there is a Harvest Rise'n'Shine at Dedham Church.

On Sunday 6th October at 11am there is a Harvest Celebration at Ardleigh Church.

The Festival of Flowers at Dedham Church is on from 27th-30th September.



Enrichment Activities and General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

Following advice regarding compliance with GDPR we will no longer be able to attach flyers regarding possible enrichment activities to our newsletter. We are able to and happy to share these opportunities with our parents and pupils on our display boards as you enter the school gate.



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Calendar dates for the autumn term

Date	Event
Wednesday 25th September - am	Family photographs
Thursday 26th September 9:15 – 10:30	School tour for parents of new entrants for admission 2020-21
Monday 30th September - 6:30pm	Full Governing Body meeting (Curriculum)
Tuesday 1st October – 10:00am	Harvest Festival at Dedham Church
Tuesday 15th October – 1:15 – 2:30pm	School tour for parents of new entrants for admission 2020-21
Friday 18th October – 3:15pm	Film Club
22nd October – 4:00 – 8:00pm	Parents' Evening
23rd October – 3:30 – 6:00pm	Parents' Evening
24th October	Non-uniform day for the DEN site
Friday 25th October	Non-pupil day
Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November	HALF TERM
Friday 8th November	Flu immunisation
Thursday 28th November – 9:15am – 10:30am	School tour for parents of new entrants for admission 2020-21
Tuesday 3rd December – 1:15 – 2:30pm	School tour for parents of new entrants for admission 2020-21

Thursday 5th December – 1:45pm	KS1 Nativity to parents
Saturday 7th December	Dedham Christmas Market (TBC)
Wednesday 11th December – 2:00pm	EYFS Nativity performance to parents
Friday 13th December – 3:15pm	Film Club
Monday 16th December – 7:00pm	KS2 Carol Service at Dedham Church
Wednesday 18th December	Non-uniform day (Christmas party day) Christmas Lunch at school EYFS/KS1 Christmas Party KS2 Disco – 3:00 – 4:30pm
Thursday 19th December – 10:00am	Final assembly of term at Dedham Church
Friday 20th December – 3rd January	School Holiday