



# NEWSLETTER

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021

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## Head Talk

Dear families of Dedham CE Primary School,

I have been really impressed by the way the children have returned to school very keen to learn after the summer break and there has been a very happy, positive atmosphere around the school.

Monday was a very important day in Reception as our newest pupils experienced their very first moments at school in their pristine school uniforms. It has been such a positive start for all of our new entrants. As well as our newest pupils, I would also like to welcome to the school all the families who are new to Dedham Church of England Primary School.

Of course, after regular communication this week, we are hopefully all aware of the changing landscape regarding Covid-19 and the significant changes to protective measures in order to prioritise children's education in school. Already, the Local Authority have amended their useful flowchart which I shared this morning. I have attached the updated copy. Please disregard the previous version.

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you soon.

My very best wishes,

Mr David Lerner  
Headteacher

## School lunches

LUNCH MENU FOR W/C 13th September 2021 IS WEEK 3.

Please note that the cost for lunches, for this half term, will be £85.10, if paying in full. (37 days x £2.30 per lunch - £85.10).

Please make cheques payable to DEDHAM COFE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

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.

The menu is available on our school app and via our website [here](#).

## More good news! Clubs for the autumn term

We are now in a position to begin to offer after school clubs. The following clubs will begin in the week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Please look out for letters coming home next week.

### KS1:

Tuesday – Food and Cookery Club with Mrs Duah and Miss Jones (Class 1 and 2 - 3:15 – 4:15pm)

Friday – French Club with Mrs Proctor (Class 1 and 2 - 3:15 – 4:15pm)

### KS2:

Monday - Football with Mr Osborn (Class 5 and Class 6 - 3:15 – 4:15pm)

Monday – Netball with Miss Hall (Class 5 and Class 6 - 3:15 – 4:15pm)

Friday - KS2 Choir with Miss Valentine (Class 3 to 6 - 3:15 – 4:15pm)

We are awaiting confirmation from ASM (Anglia Sports Management) regarding additional clubs they are able to offer.



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### French Club starting next week – Class R-6

Excellent news! La Jolie Ronde French Classes are returning at Dedham Church of England Primary School. The popular lunchtime French Club will be starting again from week commencing 13th September. This is a paid club and is booked directly with La Jolie Ronde. Please see the attached leaflet for further details.

### Meet the Teacher meetings using Zoom

Thank you to those of you who attended our 'Meet the Teacher' meetings using Zoom for Class 3 and 4 on Tuesday. The meetings continue today with Class 5 and 6. Here is a reminder of the remaining meeting links.

#### Class 5 - Meet the Teacher

Time: Sep 9, 2021 04:00 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89762900687?pwd=aWw0ZTlhZmorcndvRFp0OHh1R1ZRQT09>

#### Class 6 - Meet the Teacher

Time: Sep 9, 2021 04:30 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83587037021?pwd=RUlSdk0vVDYyaHQ5bld6aE9tRXREQT09>

#### Class 1 - Meet the Teacher

Time: Sep 13, 2021 4:00 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89620947980?pwd=TEZxalF4bHZCNnZiWXFqTFN2WFF6QT09>

#### Class 2 - Meet the Teacher

Time: Sep 13, 2021 4:30 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87526712134?pwd=NTFZUFpoNE9pd2xlQzIDdlZvRGVudz09>

After each meeting the presentation will be uploaded to our website [here](#) for those parents unable to attend;

Class	Date	Time
5	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	4:00pm
6	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	4:30pm
1	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	4:00pm
2	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	4:30pm

### REMINDER - Notice for Parents of Children in Year 3 from September 2021 - Free School Meals

Automatic entitlement to a free school meal finishes at the end of Year 2.

Your child may be able to continue to get free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household



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income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

**Applications should be made online as soon as possible at**

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

### Dedham School App



Please do download our app. It is a great place to easily access this newsletter, other school news and much more!

### How to purchase our new school uniform with logo



Please follow the link below to purchase school uniform with our logo. You can also access our uniform shop by clicking on links in our school app.

<https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/dedham>

A bi-monthly delivery to school is free or items can be delivered directly to your home for a charge of £3.95. Please note that deliveries to the school can only be arranged during school time. If you make purchases during the school holidays you will be charged £3.95 for delivery.

### News from St Mary's Church, Dedham

We now have a dedicated page on our website where you can find out more about upcoming services and events at St Mary's Church, Dedham.

To find out more please follow the link below;

<https://www.dedham.essex.sch.uk/news-from-st-marys-church-dedham>



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### Calendar dates 2021 - 2022

Date	Event
<b>Autumn Term</b>	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Non-pupil day
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	First day of autumn term for children
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September @4:00pm	Meet the teacher meeting via Zoom for Class 3
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September @4:30pm	Meet the teacher meeting via Zoom for Class 4
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> September @4:00pm	Meet the teacher meeting via Zoom for Class 5
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> September @4:30pm	Meet the teacher meeting via Zoom for Class 6
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September @4:00pm	Meet the teacher meeting via Zoom for Class 1
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September @4:30pm	Meet the teacher meeting via Zoom for Class 2
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Individual school photographs
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Open tours for prospective new parents 2022-23
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Sibling/family school photographs
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October	Half term
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Non-pupil day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Children return to school
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term

### Spring Term

Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Non-pupil day
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	First day of spring term for children
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Children return to school
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Last day of term

### Summer term

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Non-pupil day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of summer term for children
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May (Bank Holiday) to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Half term
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Non-pupil day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return to school
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last day of term