Thursday 13th February

News





Dear Parents & Carers,

Even though it has only been a four-day week it has been as busy as ever.

Class J and H enjoyed a fantastic animal workshop on Wednesday, where they met, stroked and even held a wide range of animals. The children had some interesting questions to ask and all learnt some new facts.

I hope you enjoyed the opportunity to look at your child's work and discuss their learning with their class teacher this week.

After half term, we are looking forward to celebrating Book Fortnight and the start of our class assemblies. Further information will follow from your class teacher closer to your event.

Thank you to everyone who entered the DPSA's Valentine's Day Competition. There were so many fantastic entries, it was difficult to choose a winner from each class. Prizes were given out in Celebration Assembly this morning.

Enjoy your family time over the half term. Sam Jones

House Point Winners:

Congratulations to Snowy Owls!

Danbury Park Book Fortnight

The staff are very busy planning lots of activities for this year's book fortnight, which, this year, is titled 'Get Ready to Read Your Way'. Each class will study: stories, non-fiction texts or poems. The learning activities will help to encourage your child to continue to have a love of books, poems, non-fiction texts and reading!

During the fortnight there will be many exciting activities and events around the school. These include:

Reading half hour

This year we are pleased to be able to hold our popular reading half hour. This is a great reading experience when we have the opportunity to invite you to join us in our celebration of reading. To enable us to do this we are asking for parents and grandparents to join us for a session to read children's stories with your child/children. We hope to see as many of you as possible. The children will have chosen a selection of books to share with you.

Please see the information below for further details.

As in previous years, to ensure we have sufficient space, each class has been allocated a time in the hall.

	9:05-9:35	2:50-3:20	
Monday 24 th February	Class Goldfinch	Class Hummingbird	
Wednesday 26 th February	Class Dove	Class Flamingo	
Friday 28 th February		Class Avocet	
Monday 3 rd March	Class Eider	Class Cuckoo	
Tuesday 4 th March	Class Budgerigar		
Wednesday 5 th March		Class Jay	

Friday 28th February (Infants)

Friday 7th March (KS2)

Story time

All staff in school will bring in their favourite children's book or poems and the children will be able to choose which story or poems they want to listen to.

Tuesday 4th March

Paired reading

During the morning each junior class will pair up with an infant class to enable the children to share books with a reading partner. This is an activity that the children all enjoy and look forward to.

Friday 7th March

<u>Dressing up day 'World Book Day'</u>

As part of our drive to maintain, promote and engage pupil interest in reading we are celebrating our book week with a dressing up day. On this special day your child can come to school dressed as their favourite character from a story book. We look forward to seeing your child dressed up for our special day.

We are asking for each pupil to donate £1 on this day to help us purchase new books for our libraries and classroom book corners. The reading council have been busy compiling lists of books that they would like to purchase for our libraries and for classroom book corners this means all children will benefit from the money we raise. I am sure you can imagine they are very eager to recommend new books to purchase! The request list from the Reading Council includes: non-fiction books for all the KS2 reading stages, graphic novels, and series of Junior fiction books. Reading books for the infants and guided reading sets for KS1.

I would like to thank you for your support for Book Week activities in previous years and hope that this one will be just as enjoyable.

Dates for your diary:

14/02 - INSET Day

17/02-21/02 Half Term

24/02 - Children return to school

28/02 9.00am – Class G Assembly

07/03 – World Book Day

14/03 9.00am – Class H Assembly

School Lottery



https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/danbury-park-community-primary-school

The weekly School Lottery raises much needed funds for the school. February's Super Draw is now open!









Thursday STEAM Club at Danbury Park

If you are interested in joining STEAM Club as a team member, or would like further information about what STEAM is and how it benefits your child's development, please contact Lindsey by email at steamaheadinfo@gmail.com

Places are restricted to pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 for this group, which is held straight after school on Thursdays until 4.30pm.

Next half term we are building vehicles, and powering them in different ways (ramps, rubber bands, balloon/wind power, and electric circuits). We will also introduce driving/controlling and programming a robot.

Essex County Council hold 'Local Offer Roadshows' where a wide selection of services related to SEND will be present. The next date is 25th March, see link below for more details. https://send.essex.gov.uk/local-offer-roadshow-mid-essex#

Muddy Weather means muddy clothes:

Do you have old trousers, skirts or jogging bottom please?



Owl's Barn School Meals

Spring Menu Week I

Fresh bread and milk available daily

Monday	Homemade Cheese and Tomato Pizza	White/Wholegrain Pasta Cucumber Sweetcorn	Key Stage 2 Only Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Shortbread Biscuit Fresh Fruit Fruit Yoghurt
Tuesday	Local Butcher's Pork Sausages or (V) Vegan Sausages	Creamy Mashed Potato Baked Beans Green Salad Mixed Vegetables	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayo	Chocolate Brownie Fresh Fruit Fruit Yoghurt
Wednesday	Mild Beef Chilli with Nacho's or (V) Vegan Chilli with Nacho's	White/Wholegrain Rice Carrots, Peas Green Salad	Key Stage 2 only Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Peaches and Ice Cream Pot Fresh Fruit Fruit Yoghurt
Thursday	Chicken Nuggets or (V) Macaroni Cheese	Crispy Potato Wedges Sweetcorn Cucumber	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayo	Apple Crumble and Custard Fresh Fruit Fruit Yoghurt
Friday	Omega 3 Fish Fingers or (V) Omelette	Chips Peas Green Salad	Key Stage 2 only Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Iced Sponge Cake Fresh Fruit Fruit Yoghurt