



Dalton St Mary's CE Primary School

Autumn Term
Newsletter 5
2nd October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

I would like to thank everyone who made a donation for the Y6 MacMillan Coffee Morning. This virtual event raised £685.00 for this wonderful cause. Thank you again to Y6 and Mrs Woodburn(Y6) for making this happen.

The routines at the beginning and end of the school day continue to run smoothly. We are going to try, from Monday, to shorten the times which will help as we move to colder and wetter days. This will continue to be reviewed. We have had a few complaints about parents gathering at the school gates to chat after dropping their children at school, please can I ask parents not to congregate on the journey to and from school? Thank you for your support with this.

Drop Off Times will change for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 from Monday 5th October 2020

Your Child's Year Group	Drop Off Time	Pick Up Time
Nursery	8.50 – 9.00	3.10 – 3.20
Reception	8.50 – 9.00	3.10 – 3.20
Year 1	8.50 – 9.00	3.10 – 3.20
Year 2	8.50 – 9.00	3.10 – 3.20
Year 3	8.50 – 9.00	3.10 – 3.20
Year 4	8.50 – 9.00	3.10 – 3.20
Year 5	8.40 – 8.50	3.00 – 3.10
Year 6	8.40 – 8.50	3.00 – 3.10

As always please adhere to your drop-off collection times to ensure this continues to run smoothly. Also remaining the same; if you have more than one child you are dropping off/collecting please arrive at the time for your oldest child.

Reading Books

A reminder that reading books should have been returned to school today and a new book will be sent home with your child on Monday.

Showbie

We are trying to reduce the amount of paper we send home/receive into school. To ensure we still have open channels of communication whilst not sending letters we are going to develop communication systems on Showbie.

It is important that parents join classes and groups that are relevant to them. Please see the table on the next page for classes and groups.

Showbie Groups/Classes (A Class is used for children's learning and a Group is used for communication)	Code	Who should join this class/group? What information will I find in there?
Nursery Group	GQ82T	All parents of children in Nursery In this group you will find information about events in your child's class, class newsletters, class messages and other class communication.
Reception Group	T23UW	All parents of children in Reception In this group you will find information about events in your child's class, class newsletters, class messages and other class communication.
Year 1 Group	FJKGD	All parents of children in Y1 In this group you will find information about events in your child's class, class newsletters, class messages and other class communication.
Year 2 Group	U88N7	All parents of children in Y2 In this group you will find information about events in your child's class, class newsletters, class messages and other class communication.
Year 3 Group	H3NEE	All parents of children in Y3 In this group you will find information about events in your child's class, class newsletters, class messages and other class communication.
Year 4 Group	C9W59	All parents of children in Y4 In this group you will find information about events in your child's class, class newsletters, class messages and other class communication.
Year 5 Group	DGAEW	All parents of children in Y5 In this group you will find information about events in your child's class, class newsletters, class messages and other class communication.
Year 6 Group	29RT5	All parents of children in Y6 In this group you will find information about events in your child's class, class newsletters, class messages and other class communication.
IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE CHILD HERE AT DSM YOU SHOULD JOIN THE GROUPS FOR ALL YOUR CHILDREN'S YEAR GROUPS		
DSM Parent Group	HZ3W5	ALL PARENTS/CARERS OF ALL CHILDREN IN ALL YEAR GROUPS Weekly newsletters (each Friday), whole school letters, any whole school information.
DSM Family Class	CWHK6	ALL PARENTS/CARERS OF ALL CHILDREN IN ALL YEAR GROUPS This will be used for any whole school learning projects.

Thank you for taking the time to read this Newsletter. Remember I am here if I can help you or your family in any way: l.woodburn@dsmprimary.com
Kind regards

Mrs L Woodburn

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Parents who are familiar with our weekly Newsletter know this section includes important dates for parents for the term ahead.

Event	Date	Arrangements
Parent Drop-in Week	Week Beginning - 02/11/2020	This week we would normally invite parents into school between 3.10 – 3.30 to visit classes and share your child's learning. In the current climate this is not possible. Instead of a visit we are preparing a series of videos which each class will prepare and these will be shared on Showbie – Further information will follow nearer the time.
Parent Evening	06/11/2020	Parents would normally be offered an appointment to discuss the early weeks in your child's new class. This year we will be sending home a short written report to enable us to share how your child has settled into their new class.

The current guidance which is clear is that the symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- High temperature
- New continuous cough
- Change to/loss of sense of taste or smell

If anyone in the family has one or more of these symptoms the advice is to isolate and access testing. We can support parents and offer advice around Government guidelines but if you are concerned about your child's (or a family member's symptoms) it is always best to seek medical advice:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>

If you do not have access to the internet you can call 119

If you cannot access an appropriate test through these two contacts, please ring school and we may be able to help you access an appointment.