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‘Great to be Inspired, Inspired to be Great’

Friday 11th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

1. Allergy awareness
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1. Allergy awareness

Due to a recent change in legislation regarding the management for the prevention of allergic reactions in schools, we are now an 'allergy aware' school. This means that we implement policies, training and risk management strategies to prevent and manage allergic reactions, including anaphylaxis, while supporting pupils to fully participate in school life.

We continue to be a 'nut free' school and would appreciate if you could all ensure that you do not bring nut products on to the school site for lunches, snacks, etc. Whilst nuts are not the only allergies we manage, we do have pupils on site who have extreme nut allergies, so we really appreciate your consideration in helping to keep them safe.

If your child has an allergy and requires medication to be on site, please contact the school office to discuss our procedures if you haven't already done so.

Many thanks. Regards, Martine Denny (SBM)

2. Parking

If you drive to school, please ensure that you park considerately and respectfully. We have had a number of calls and emails from local residents already! Thank you.

3. Facebook Account

We have a school Facebook account where we will be sharing information about our daily school life and the many, many events we have that children enjoy everyday. Please follow us!

4. Clubs

The school offers a variety of clubs during the day as well as after school. These are the clubs that are available this term:

Choir

Dunmore Choir is open to children in Years 4, 5 and 6. We meet in the Music Room every Tuesday from 12.00–12.30pm. As rehearsals are during the school day, there's no need to sign your child up in advance. The choir list will remain open throughout September, so children

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who would like to join are encouraged to come along. After September, the next opportunity to join will be in January. We look forward to welcoming lots of enthusiastic young singers!

Library

The library is open to children in Years 3-6 during lunchtimes. This is led by the Year 6 librarians. It will start next week (Monday 14th September).

Computing

Computing Club begins next week on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday lunchtime. This is open to all children in Years 3-6. There is a rota that is publicised to the children.

Sports Clubs:

This term we are offering:

- Gymnastics (open to Years 1-6)
- Yoga (open to Years 3-6)
- Friday football (open to Years 1-6)

There will be more sports clubs offered for after half term.

5. Sporting Events

All children in Key Stage 2 will take part in the annual Dunmore Primary School Intra-house Cross Country Cup. These events take part in the school day. From this competition, children will be selected to take part in the Abingdon Partnership Inter School Cross Country at Tilsley Park.

During the early part of the Autumn term, there will be football trials and the start of the football leagues for both boys (mixed) and girls (only) teams in Year 6.

We are also going to be setting up an after-school darts club for children and hosting the Abingdon Schools partnership training. More details to follow.

In addition, we will be organising the Oxfordshire Schools Flag football coaching day in November.

6. Dates of Key Events

Please find below the list of key events for the year ahead. Watch out for separate information from the Friends of Dunmore about fund raising and community events throughout the year and the Curriculum Newsletters that contain information for each year group.

There are dates for prospective parents to come for a tour therefore, please feel free to share these dates with parents/carers who have a child due to start in Reception 2027 so we can show them around our lovely school.

Date	Event	Time
Thursday 3 rd September	Term begins for Years 1-6	
Thursday 3 rd September	Reception pupils start mornings until 12pm	
Monday 7 th September	Nursery pupils begin mornings	
Monday 14 th September	Year 4 Roald Dahl Dress Up day	
Tuesday 15 th September	Open Morning: prospective parents/carers	9am – 10am
Monday 21 st September	Year 4 Mexico – swimming begins for ten weeks	10am – 11am
w/b Monday 21 st September	Music Flood Week – musical activities taking place throughout the week	
Thursday 24 th September	Individual photographs	
Wednesday 30 th September	Year 4 Trip to Bucks Museum	
Friday 2 nd October	Flu vaccinations in Music room	
Friday 2 nd October	KS1 Author visit: Alice Hemming and Nicola Slater	1.30pm
Thursday 8 th October	Coffee morning for current parents/carers: Curriculum	8.45am – 9.45am
Tuesday 13 th October	Meetings for Y4 parents re Stone Farm Residential	6.30pm
Wednesday 14 th October	Open Morning: prospective parents/carers	9-10am
Thursday 15 th October	Open Doors: Phonics/Reading scheme for Early Years	2pm
Monday 19 th October	International week: children learning about the name of their class	
Friday 23 rd October	Open classrooms from 2.50pm	2.50pm – 3.15pm
Friday 23 rd October	International Food Festival	3.15pm – 4pm
Friday 23 rd October	Last Day of term	

Monday 26 th October – Friday 30 th October	Half term	
Monday 2 nd November	INSET day	
Tuesday 3 rd November	Pupils return	
w/b Tuesday 3 rd November	Bikeability begins for Year 6 pupils	
Thursday 5 th November	Open Morning: current parents	9-10am
Thursday 5 th November	Nursery – Y6 Parents' Evening	3.30 – 5.30
w/b Monday 9 th November	Prayer Space	
w/b Monday 9 th November	Year 6 Bikeability	
Tuesday 10 th November	Nursery Parents' Meetings	3.30 – 5.30
Tuesday 10 th November	Reception – Y6 Parents' Evening	4.00-7.00
w/b Monday 16 th November	Anti-bullying week	
Thursday 19 th November	Reading Open Morning (KS1 and EYFS)	8.45am – 9.45am
Friday 20 th November	Children in Need	
Monday 23 rd November	Open Morning: Prospective parents/carers	9am -10am
Tuesday 25 th November	Coffee Morning for parents/carers: Enrichment opportunities	8.45am – 9.45am
Tuesday 1 st December	Gabrieli Road concert: Coventry Cathedral	
Thursday 3 rd December	Christmas Carol Service: Year 6 at St Helen's Church	1.30pm
Monday 7 th December	EYs assembly at Christchurch	9.30
Wednesday 9 th December	Year 1 Nativity: Performance	9.15am
Wednesday 9 th December	Year 1 Nativity: Performance	2.15pm
Friday 18 th December	Last day of term	1.30pm finish
Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January	Christmas holidays	

Monday 4 th January	INSET day	
Tuesday 5 th January	First Day of Term for pupils	
Monday 11 th January	Year 4 Canada swimming begins (10 weeks)	
Wednesday 13 th January	Planetarium visiting for Year 5	am
Thursday 21 st January	Coffee morning for parents: behaviour focus	8.45am – 9.45am

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Friday 12 th February	Launchpad Day for Key Stage 1 and 2 – children experience an ‘inspiring’ curriculum	
Friday 12 th February	Last Day of Term	
Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February	Half term holiday	

Monday 22 nd February	Term begins for pupils	
Wednesday 24 th February	Reading Open Morning (KS1 and EYFS)	8.45am – 9.45am
Wednesday 3 rd March	Coffee morning for parents: focus TBD	8.45am – 9.45am
Wednesday 3 rd March	Milestone Museum trip – Year 5	
Thursday 4 th March	Open Doors: Early Years – Maths	2pm
Thursday 4 th March	World Book Day	
Thursday 11 th March	Nursery – Y6 Parents’ Evening	3.30 – 5.30
Tuesday 16 th March	Reception – Y6 Parents’ Evening (Tues)	4.00 – 7.00
Friday 19 th March	Comic Relief	
Monday 22 nd March	Year 4 Canada (last swimming session)	10am – 11am
Thursday 25 th March	Last Day of term	1.30pm finish
Friday 26th March – Friday 9th April	Easter holidays	

Monday 22 nd April	Start of Term for pupils	
Tuesday 27 th April	Coffee morning for parents	8.45 – 9.45am
Tuesday 27 th April	Year 6 SATs Information evening	6.30pm
Monday 3 rd May	BANK HOLIDAY	
Tuesday 4 th May – Friday 7 th May	Y4 Residential to Stone Farm	
w/b Monday 10 th May	SATs week Year 6	
Wednesday 19 th May	Stone Farm Assembly: Year 4	9am
Tuesday 25 th May	Sports Day	KS2 am
Wednesday 26 th May	Sports Day	KS1 am
Thursday 27 th May	Sports Day (Reserve)	KS2 am, KS1 pm
Friday 28 th May	Last Day of Term for pupils	
Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June	Half term holiday	
Monday 7 th June	INSET day – school closed to pupils	
w/b Monday 7 th and Monday 14 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables check	
Tuesday 8 th June	Start of Term 6 for pupils	
Wednesday 9 th June	Class photographs	
w/b Monday 14 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening	
Wednesday 16 th June	Coffee morning for parents: focus TBD	8.45am – 9.45am
Tuesday 22 nd June	Nursery parents’ meetings	3.30 – 5.30pm
Wednesday 23 rd June	Early Years assembly and Open Morning	9am -10am
Thursday 24 th June	Nursery parents’ meetings	3.30 – 5.30pm
Wednesday 7 th July	Sports Day	EYFS pm
Tuesday 13 th July	Year 6 Production	2pm and 6pm
Thursday 15 th July	Open Evening	6pm – 7.30pm
Tuesday 20 th July	Year 6 Leavers’ Event	9.15
Wednesday 21 st July	Last day of term	1.30pm finish

Yours sincerely

Mr S J Bartholomew
Headteacher

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