

DINAS POWYS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Autumn Term Newsletter September 2018

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Dates for the term.

Individual Photographs Colorfoto

Tuesday morning September 18th. All siblings on the same site will also be photographed together. Other siblings may be brought to the Infant School Hall from 8.30am onwards.

Parents' Association AGM

October 1st

Junior School Hall at 7 p.m.

Please make every effort to support our Association.

Harvest Festival Day

Tuesday October 16th.

Your child will be invited to bring a harvest parcel - details to follow.

Curriculum Talks -

School Hall 9.15 a.m.

Year 1 - Monday October 22nd
Reception-Wednesday October 24th
You will be given a chance to see your child in their teaching area after the talk. Crèche facilities will be available.

Book Fair Week

Monday October 22nd - Friday October 26th. Details to follow.

Parents Evening

Thursday October 25th - 6 - 9 p.m.

This will give you an opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into his/her new class. Appointment System by Parent Mail.

Half-term

29th October to 2nd November inclusive

Our next **INSET Day** is Thursday October 11th 2018

Early notice Year 2 National Tests

7th — 14th May 2019

It is imperative that your child is in School between these dates.

Car Park Please note the School car park is for staff only. There is absolutely no exception to this rule. This is for the safety of your child. This also applies to Breakfast Club Parents.

The School Holiday dates for 2018/2019 are overleaf.

Thank you in anticipation for supporting these events. If there are any unforeseen circumstances dates and times can be subject to change. We are looking forward to a very successful Autumn Term.
Julie Thompson
Headteacher

Welcome back or welcome to Dinas Powys Primary School. We are looking forward to another happy and successful year. The children have settled well and are really pleased to be back. Please find listed our major procedures. Thank you for your co-operation. The dates for this half term are also listed.

School Grounds—Infant Site

The side gate will be locked between 9.15 a.m. to 3.15 p.m. to ensure the safety of all children. Please use the front gate if you require access during these hours. The Nursery use their own access gate. Please ensure you always shut all gates. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



End of Day Collection/Safeguarding

Please could you inform the School if your child is to be collected by a different **adult**, and ensure your child is aware of who is collecting them at the end of the day. This is imperative for our safeguarding procedures. Please stand in the designated areas to pick up your child—particularly Year1/ Year 2 at the back of the School, ensuring you stand behind/to the side of the white lines—in particular siblings. Also please ensure siblings are always supervised in the Infant playground.

Forest School

All children will be participating in this initiative throughout the year. You will be informed when it is your child's turn. Thank you.



Values School

As part of a Vale of Glamorgan initiative we are a Values School. Values Education underpins all aspects of our School life. The Values this term are Friendship and Courage. The children will have opportunities to discuss and reflect on these values.

School Dinner

Thank you for supporting School Dinners. Our School Cook, Mrs Evans and her team, continue to provide nutritious meals. Dinner money payments are paid through 'Parentpay'. No cash can be taken for dinner money. Please always ensure your account is in credit.

Sandwich children will receive a letter from the cook about our procedures.

Thank you for your support.

Please note a **term's notice** is required to change to sandwiches. Thank you for your co-operation.

Dinner Time Midday Supervision

The 3 midday supervisors in the dining hall ensuring the children eat their dinner are: Mrs John, Mrs Sawyer and Mrs Sherman.

The Learning Support Assistant team supervise the outdoor play during the lunch time.

Home Reading Library

This library has re-opened. The children are requested to bring their books back every Friday. Our system, Junior Library.net, enables us to run the library and track the books as every book in the School has a bar code. Happy reading.

Home Reading Record

The Home Reading Record with the reading scheme books is sent home every Friday in the blue School Reading Bag. Please continue to support your child's reading by adding your comments in this book. We will be grateful for this support. Please return the reading record and book in the blue bag every Monday. This is applicable to Reception as and when they start the Reading Scheme.

Spelling Journals

Spelling Journals are sent home every Monday with words to learn that week. Please return the following Monday to enable pupils to complete their quiz.

Library

Congratulations to all our pupils who achieved the Vale of Glamorgan Council Library Service 'The Mischief Makers' medal. Keep reading.

Infant Site

The Year 2 Area has been decorated along with the rear cloakroom and toilets. New flooring has been fitted in the Reception toilets and further necessary maintenance work has been completed.

Junior Site

The Year 6 classrooms and cloakrooms were decorated. New flooring was laid in the Year 5 and Year 6 toilets. The courtyard has been resurfaced and blue railings have replaced the wooden fence. The breeze block cupboard has been demolished in the corridor and white panels have been installed. The Emergency Light System has been updated.

Proud to Present

Our Proud to Present Scheme continues. A Nomination form will be forwarded shortly. This scheme is an important part of our School life and we are very grateful for your support.

Water Bottles

All children have received a water bottle courtesy of School Fund.