



DUNCHURCH BOUGHTON CofE JUNIOR ACADEMY

Together we are stronger

22nd May 2026



As we come to the end of another busy and successful half term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our staff for their continued hard work, dedication and care. I would also like to thank our families for your ongoing support – it makes such a difference to the children's experiences in school.

Today, we enjoyed our *Dare to Be Different Day* and it was wonderful to see so many creative and innovative ideas from our pupils. The effort, imagination and confidence shown by the children truly reflected our school values. Well done to everyone who took part!

We hope that you all have a lovely half term break. The weather is forecast to be beautiful so we hope you are able to enjoy some sunshine and quality time together as families.

A reminder that school will be closed to pupils on **Monday 1st June** due to a staff training day. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Tuesday 2nd June**.

As always, keeping children safe online remains a key priority. This month's online safety update highlights a number of important points for families. Please remember that some popular platforms, such as Pinterest and newer apps, have age restrictions and can expose children to inappropriate content or contact with strangers. It is increasingly important to talk regularly with your child about their online activity, ensure privacy settings are in place and encourage them never to share personal information or passwords. The newsletter also highlights the risks of online scams, particularly through games and social media, and reminds us that children may not always recognise when something is unsafe. Additionally, it is important for children to understand their digital footprint and how their online actions can have lasting consequences. Small changes, such as turning off automatic downloads on devices and keeping up to date with evolving online trends (including emoji meanings and new apps), can make a big difference in keeping children safe.

Thank you once again for your continued support. We wish you all a happy, restful and safe half term break.

Emma Darragh
Headteacher

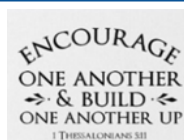


Attachments

- [Lunch menu link \(w/c 1st June is week 2 of the Summer menu\)](#)
- Community Events and Services newsletter
- Warwickshire County Council Family and Relationship Support Leaflet
- Fundraising Day for Our Jay Foundation - poster
- Online safety newsletter

Fundraising Day for the Our Jay Foundation - Friday 5th June

The children will remember that Naomi from Our Jay Foundation came in to collective worship earlier this term to talk to the children. The Our Jay Foundation raises awareness about the importance of publicly accessible defibrillators and raises money to purchase and install them in the Rugby area and beyond. Ralph in Year 5 has organised a fundraising day which is on Friday 5th June. The children may wear non-uniform (blue or heart patterns) for a £1 donation and there will be a cookie sale (50p each). See the attached poster.



Notices/ reminders

A reminder that we are a **NUT AWARE SCHOOL**. Please do not send your child into school with nuts or food containing nuts. Your cooperation in this matter is vital in order to keep children with allergies safe.

Pupil absence

If your child is absent, please make contact on **each day of their absence** by 9.20am, either by speaking to us, leaving a message on the school office telephone (01788 811028) or by emailing office.juniors@dunchurch.covmat.org. **Please let us know in the message the nature of their illness.**

Class Dojo

A reminder we do not use the direct message function on Class Dojo. Please do not contact teachers on Class Dojo - please do so via the office email address.

School meals

Please ensure school meals are paid for in advance on ParentPay. The cost is £2.85 per day.

MCAS

Thank you to those parents/ carers who have activated their MCAS accounts so far. We will be resending activation emails to those who have not yet activated their accounts- if you have not received any of these emails that have sent so far (first priority contacts), or have experienced an issue with activating your account, please let us know. We will soon be rolling out various functions on MCAS such as email communications, paying for school meals and trips and booking parents evenings and performances, so it is important that parents and carers have access to their accounts

After School Clubs

Craft club with Mrs Cannell will restart on 15th June. Please look out for details which will be communicated soon.

Year 6 Residential - forms/ payments

We still have outstanding medical and activity consent forms (these were sent home in a brown envelope several weeks ago - please contact the office if you need a copy). Please complete and return as a matter of urgency. The instalment should have been paid- please make payment on ParentPay if you have not already done so.

WOOSH - Game On (important information)

WOOSH before and after school club is now run by Game On Coaching. Please use the Pebble Booking system to book your child into WOOSH (link below). Bookings must be made directly with Game On and cannot be made through school.

If you have not used the system before you will need to register on the system. If you have registered with the Pebble booking system or are planning to do, [please ensure that you give full and accurate information with regard to medical, dietary and SEND information.](#) School do not share this information with Game On due to GDPR, so please make sure your details are updated and shared so that your child's safety and wellbeing can be fully catered for.

If you have any queries regarding WOOSH please contact Game On directly.

- [Link to Pebble Booking System for WOOSH](#)

Email - info@gameoncoaching.co.uk

Phone - 07776 322590

If you make a last minute booking with Game On and your child is not expecting to go to WOOSH, please still contact school as well as Game On so that we can pass the message on to your child.

Mental Health and Wellbeing at Dunchurch Boughton CofE Junior Academy

What a wonderful and busy half term we have had!

The weather next week is looking lovely, which will hopefully give everyone the chance to enjoy some time outdoors. I hope everyone has a wonderful half term, whatever you may be doing.

We have been very busy in the Hive this week making our own "pause buttons". We have been thinking about the times when we might need to pause and reset, what our pause buttons might look like, and then discovering what our favourite pause tools are! The children really enjoyed creating their pause buttons, which they can now use in school whenever they need to. You can see the blank pause buttons overleaf.

I have purchased some lovely new cards called 'Hero Cards', which provide a fun way for children to explore their emotions, learn and test out helpful strategies, and build resilience. I have used them a couple of times this week already with children and they are very effective.

Thank you to all who have purchased off our pastoral Amazon wish list. We are very grateful for your generosity.

Again, I would like to wish you a wonderful and restful half term break.

As always, I will be checking the pastoral email account over the holiday – please use this if you need to contact me. pastoralduj@dunchurch.covmat.org

Kind regards

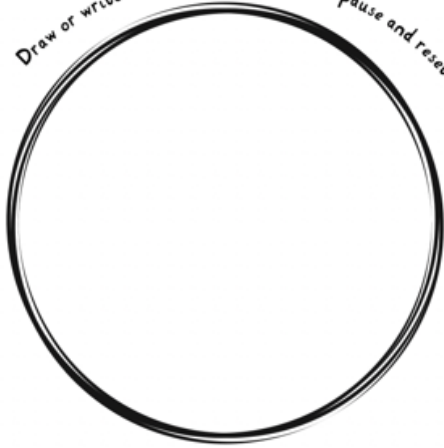
Mrs Clusker

Pastoral and Inclusion Mentor
Senior Mental Health Lead



My PAUSE plan

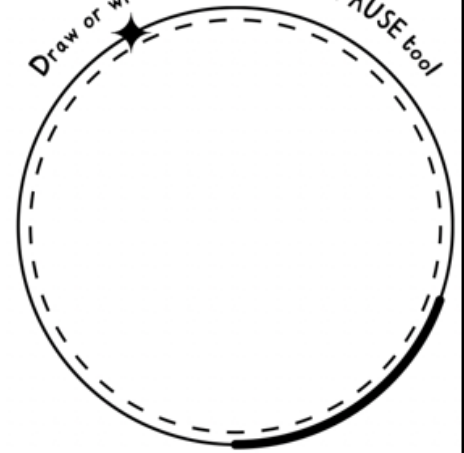
Draw or write a time you might need to pause and reset



Design your PAUSE button






Draw or write your favourite PAUSE tool



Attendance Summary

Whole School: 93.24% (Target 97%)

			
3AE	3L	4B	4CG
92.31%	97.32%	93.36%	93.53%
			
5A	5HT	6CM	6F
95.11%	92.41%	92.23%	89.67%



SCHOOL DAYS ARE PACKED WITH MOMENTS OF...

CURIOSITY, WONDER AND CONNECTION.

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

SEARCH 'ATTENDANCE' ON THE EDUCATION HUB

HM Government **NHS**

Awards this week

The Together We Are Stronger award for 3L goes to....



This award goes to Anya for showing fantastic resilience and always trying her very best in her learning. She approaches challenges with determination and a positive attitude, never giving up even when things feel tricky. Anya is also incredibly helpful, always willing to support others and lend a hand when needed. Her kindness and thoughtful nature make her a wonderful member of our class. She brings so much joy to the classroom with her cheerful personality, and her positivity brightens everyone's day. I am so proud of your achievements.

The Together we are Stronger award for 4CG goes to....



Mia is an enthusiastic member of our class, she is always asking questions about what we are learning. She is a confident girl, and she is keen to take part in discussions we have. Mia is a popular pupil in 4CG and seems to have a wide circle of friends. Mia is following in the footsteps of her family and is keen and very engaged in our recent art lessons. Well done Mia for a great year so far and keep going for the rest of the year!

The Together we are Stronger award for 5A goes to....



This award is proudly presented to Rasha as she has shown relentless kindness, care, and dedication throughout the entire year. Her hardworking attitude and determination to always do her best have never gone unnoticed. Rasha consistently demonstrates outstanding motivation in everything she does, always striving to improve and pushing herself further in her work and her experiences. In her recent explanation text, Rasha showcased an impressive ability to use technical and formal language with confidence and maturity, truly highlighting her capability and potential. Alongside her academic effort, Rasha is always trustworthy and dependable, consistently making the right choices and acting in a way that reflects our school values. She sets a fantastic example to those around her through her positive attitude and respect for others. Rasha, you are a pleasure to have in our class - thank you for being you!

The Together we are Stronger award for 5HT goes to....



Elsie is a wonderful member of our class. While she can sometimes be a quieter member of 5HT, she is always recognised for her outstanding kindness, helpfulness, and friendship towards others. She has been working incredibly hard this week to do her best in all areas of learning, especially with her thoughtful ideas when writing about Oliver Twist. In computing, Elsie showed excellent attention to detail and precision when creating vector diagrams - she demonstrated fantastic teamwork and collaboration with her partner, truly showing that "Together We Are Stronger." Well done, Elsie - you are a super role model!

The Together we are Stronger award for 6CM goes to....



Will has impressed Mr Coppillie and I over the year with his growing maturity and his ability to make sensible choices that positively support his learning. In Maths, Will has challenged himself to reach his full potential and it has been a delight to see him become more confident with explaining his understanding. Our school value of thankfulness is modelled by Will and he recognises and acknowledges others. Outside of the classroom, Will has been noticed for his contributions in Collective Worship and for being a keen and enthusiastic sportsperson when representing the school at various sporting events. It has been wonderful to have Will as part of our 6CM class family and to see Will's confidence develop; I hope that he continues to realise what he can achieve.

The TT Rockstars Awards go to



Diary Dates - w/c 1st June 2026

Monday 1st June	Tuesday 2nd June	Wednesday 3rd June	Thursday 4th June	Friday 5th June
<p>SCHOOL CLOSED</p> <p>TEACHER TRAINING DAY</p>	<p>Activities & Events</p>	<p>Activities & Events</p>	<p>Activities & Events</p>	<p>Activities & Events</p> <p>Our Jay Foundation Fundraising Day</p>
	<p>Lunchtime Clubs</p>	<p>Lunchtime Clubs</p>	<p>Lunchtime Clubs</p> <p>Cross Teach Bible Club</p> <p>Music ambassadors Year 3-6 [FULL]</p>	<p>Lunchtime Clubs</p> <p>Music ambassadors Year 3-6 [FULL]</p>
	<p>Musical Instrument Lessons</p> <p>IMS drums today</p> <p>IMS Piano / keyboard</p>	<p>Musical Instrument Lessons</p> <p>IMS Violin and Keyboard</p>	<p>Musical Instrument Lessons</p>	<p>Musical Instrument Lessons</p> <p>IMS Singing</p>
	<p>After School Clubs</p> <p>DM Football Year 3-6 15.30-16.45</p> <p>Multisports Year 3-6 15.30-16.30</p>	<p>After School Clubs</p> <p>Spanish Club Year 3-6 15.30-16.30</p> <p>Cookery Club (FULL) Year 3-6 15.30-16.30</p> <p>Basketball Club Year 3 & 4 15.30-16.15 Year 5 & 6 16.30-17.15</p>	<p>After School Clubs</p> <p>Computer Xplorers Year 5 & 6 15.30-16.30</p> <p>DM Football Year 3-6 15.30-16.45</p>	<p>After School Clubs</p> <p>Dodgeball Year 3-6 15.30-16.30</p>

Future dates for your diary

Monday 25th - Friday 29th May	Half term holiday
Monday 1st June	School closed - teacher training Day
Monday 8th - Wednesday 10th June	Year 6 Residential visit to Frontier Centre
Friday 19th June	Father's Day Gift Shop
Tuesday 23rd June – morning	Sports Day
Thursday 25th June (times TBC)	PTA Summer disco
Monday 29th June	Year 3 PTA Bake Off
Wednesday 1st July, 14.00 & 17.30	Year 6 Leavers' Play
Wednesday 8th July	County transfer day
Thursday 9th July	Year 5 Athletics festival
Friday 10th July	End of year school reports sent home
Monday 13th July, 15.30-16.30	Parent/ carer drop-in to discuss reports
Tuesday 14th July	Year 4 Cricket festival
Thursday 16th July, 17.00-19.00	Year 6 Leavers BBQ and disco

TERM DATES 2025 - 2026

Summer Term 2026

Term Starts	Monday 13 April
<i>May Day</i>	<i>Monday 4 May</i>
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May</i>
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Monday 1 June</i>
Warwickshire Induction Day	Wednesday 8 July
Term Ends	Friday 17 July
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Monday 20 July</i>

TERM DATES 2026 – 2027

Autumn Term 2026

<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Tuesday 1 September</i>
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Wednesday 2 September</i>
Term Starts	Thursday 3 September
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Friday 23 October</i>
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October</i>
Term Ends	Friday 18 December

Spring Term 2027

<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Monday 4 January</i>
Term Starts	Tuesday 5 January
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 15 – Friday 19 February</i>
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Monday 22 February</i>
Term Ends	Thursday 25th March

Summer Term 2027

Term Starts	Monday 12 April
<i>May Day</i>	<i>Monday 3 May</i>
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June</i>
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Monday 7 June</i>
Warwickshire Transfer Day	Wednesday 7 July
Term Ends	Wednesday 21 July