



DUNCHURCH BOUGHTON CofE JUNIOR ACADEMY

Together we are stronger

6th February 2026



Congratulations to Topaz, who have earned the most house points this half term – a fantastic achievement! As a reward, the children in Topaz will spend Thursday afternoon decorating their own T-shirt in the hall, a fun celebration of their hard work and positive attitude. A big thank you to the PTA for supporting and helping to run this special reward afternoon. A reminder to parents that we have a range of incentives in place to recognise and encourage excellent behaviour across the school, including TWAS certificates, postcards home and stickers.



Learner Review Meetings will take place next week and offer an important opportunity to discuss your child's behaviour, progress and next steps in their learning. These meetings play a crucial role in supporting each child's development, so please ensure you have booked an appointment. If you experience any difficulties with the booking system, contact the school office and they will be happy to assist. Mrs Darragh will be available on both evenings should you wish to pop by her office to touch base about anything, and Mrs Jenks, our SENCO, will be available on Tuesday evening to speak with parents.

At a recent School Council meeting, pupils shared the types of after-school clubs they would like to see. We are delighted to let you know that we have been able to organise two new clubs, both starting after the February half term:

- **Computer Xplorers on Mondays for Years 3 and 4 and Thursdays for Years 5 and 6.**
- **Craft Club with Mrs Cannell on Mondays.**

Further information and sign-up details will be shared soon, so please look out for updates.

Attachments

- [New lunch menu link](#) (w/c 9th February is week 3).
- Community Events and Services newsletter.
- Tips for Wellness - 'Kindness'.
- School Health Newsletter (Warwickshire Child & Family Wellbeing).
- PTA Book Giving poster.
- Lost property poster
- Rugby Borough Council competition

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.

Spring term Learner Review Meetings

The teachers are looking forward to meeting parents and carers at the learner review meetings next week. If you haven't already booked, a reminder that the system closes at 8pm tonight.

<https://dunchurchjuniorschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Cheerleading club - a reminder that there is no cheerleading club on 13th February (Jaide sent letters home with the children last week).

Mornings

A reminder that school doors open for children at **8:40am**. Please ensure that children are not left unsupervised on the school grounds before this time. We have received reports of children kicking footballs against the school building while waiting to come in. This can be unsafe, especially as these areas are very busy during morning drop-off. In the interests of everyone's safety, please ensure children do not do this. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep all children and families safe.

Lost property

A large amount of lost property is currently in our reception / foyer area. If your child has missing items, please come along and take a look. The lost property will also be available to look through on both of the learner review meeting evenings, and second hand uniform will also be available to buy from the PTA. Any unnamed lost property that hasn't been claimed will be disposed of/ donated on 13th February.

PE Kits

Please ensure your child has their PE kit and trainers in school.

WOOSH - Game On (important information)

WOOSH before and after school club is now run 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

Mental Health and Wellbeing at Dunchurch Boughton Junior Academy

I've had a few fantastic entries so far for our *Mental Health Logo Design Competition*, but would love to see even more of our pupils get involved!



What to include:

- Your design must be **no bigger than A4**.
- It should focus on **mental health** – this could be a symbol, an image, words, or a combination.
- The **school's name** must appear somewhere in the design.
- Be as creative and expressive as you like!

There will be a prize for the winning design, and the winning logo will feature across our mental health work throughout the school. I have extended the closing date to 13th February.



Children's Mental Health Week begins on Monday, and we are looking forward to marking the start of the week with a special assembly. The theme this year is "My Place", and the assembly will be delivered by Sue, our school-allocated Educational Mental Health Practitioner.

In the Hive next week, we will be focusing on self-esteem, kindness, and positive affirmations - both within our school and in our homes and wider communities.

I am looking forward to seeing and hearing from the children about the different places where they feel they belong and which are special to them. A sense of belonging brings predictability and makes us feel safe, as well as raising self-esteem and confidence.

Pastoral Amazon Wishlist

Below is the link to our pastoral Amazon wish list. We are always incredibly grateful for any donations received. These resources are invaluable in continuing our pastoral provision and the work we do in the Hive. We read many of the books and use these materials to guide our sessions, and we have already been fortunate to receive some lovely items in the past. Your generosity makes a real difference.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3QT1QJX92XJR4?ref=wl_share

Kind regards




Mrs Clusker

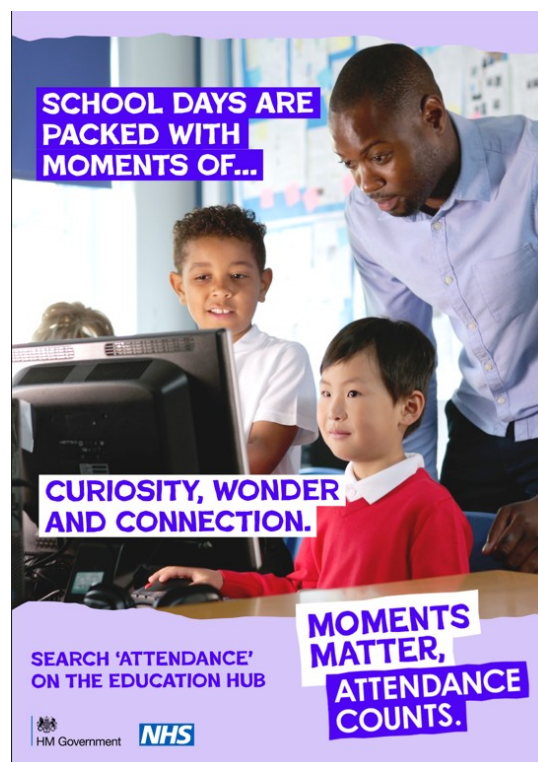
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Attendance Summary

Whole School: 94.85% (Target 97%)

3AE	3L	4B	4CG
90.91%	95.00%	95.00%	93.33%
			
5A	5HT	6CM	6F
95.76%	94.69%	95.88%	97.01%



HOUSE POINT TOTALS

 RUBY	 SAPPHIRE	 EMERALD	 TOPAZ
This week's total: 604	This week's total: 549	This week's total: 471	This week's total: 451
Total this term: 1710	Total this term: 1689	Total this term: 1475	Total this term: 1745

This week's winning House is: **Ruby**

The winning House this half term is: **Topaz**



Congratulations **Topaz!!**

Awards this week

The Together we are Stronger award for 3AE goes to....

Shraddha

Shraddha, you are our TWAS award winner today for your wonderful attitude. You have rallied on board the conversations we have been having about our wonderful class, and you have risen to our expectations. You are now the first one ready to learn, you are thinking about how to be a good talk partner, and you are trying hard all the time - brilliant! In addition to this we want to mention your hard work in phonics and your wonderful handwriting and fun mission you wrote about for Traction Man. Well done!

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

Moo

Moo has shown incredible resilience in her learning, always trying her hardest no matter the challenge. Her determination shines through in every task she takes on, and she continues to grow with confidence and courage. Not only is Moo a hardworking learner she also brings joy, positivity, and warmth to the room every single day. Her bright spirit lifts others up and makes our classroom a happier place. Well done Moo - all your hard work hasn't gone unnoticed. You're a super star!

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

Zarah

I am very impressed with Zarah and her recent ability to stand up for what is right. At the beginning of the week, during a group task, I noticed Zarah show wonderful generosity and kindness. She made the thoughtful choice to invite another child to join her group so they wouldn't feel left out. What made this moment especially powerful was that Zarah was able to stand up to a friend, which can be a very difficult thing to do. She showed maturity, courage, and empathy by making sure everyone felt included. It was truly beautiful to see and a fantastic example for others. Well done, Zarah, keep making the right choices!

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

Mimi

Mimi is a fantastic member of Class 4CG. She is very conscientious and always aims to complete her learning challenges to the best of her ability. She works hard in all subjects and gives maximum effort in all lessons. She is a very kind member of the class, always willing to support her friends. She ensures she is following the school rules at all times - ready, respectful and safe, and she is an excellent role model. Well, done, Mimi.

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

Sam

Sam is an incredible member of 5A. He is a loved member of the class who makes it his mission to see people feeling loved and smiling. The level of care Sam shows for other people is one of the greatest I have ever experienced. It makes us feel incredibly valued and loved when Sam is around giving compliments, making people smile with his kind words and encouraging people to do their best. This week particularly, Sam coordinated a 'Best Teacher' card which he got each child to write in. It warmed my heart and made us realise that when we work together, we can all feel loved and appreciated by the people in our community.

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

Jessica

Jessica is an excellent role model who is always showing ready, respectful, and safe. She is a great help to peers, noticing when things need sorting in the classroom and simply getting things done. This is clear in her role as House Captain, where she collects tokens religiously and encourages, recognises, and celebrates the achievements of others. Jessica consistently works hard with her learning and always gives her best effort. This dedication is clearly visible in her recent artwork, especially her impressive 3D insect, which looks fantastic. Thank you Jessica, your positive attitude lifts the classroom every single day!

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

Seth

Polite, hard-working and reliable - three words to describe Seth. Every day, Seth comes into school with a positive attitude ready for learning and ready to shine as an excellent role model. He can be trusted to complete jobs and I know that whatever I ask will be diligently followed. Seth's kindness reaches beyond his Year 6 peers and Y3 and Y4 children will recognise Seth as being a consistent helper at TTRS club and as an ambassador for TTRS battles. Seth, keep being you and striving to achieve anything you put your mind too. Well done!

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

Roshna

This certificate is proudly presented to Roshna this week! Roshna really embodies our school rules of 'Ready, Respectful and Safe' - because of this, Roshna consistently shows excellent behaviour for learning. She listens carefully to the input of lessons, and to her peers, and gives 100% effort in her independent work. So, despite being a quieter member of 6F, we wanted Roshna to know that we see her quiet strength and we are so happy to have you in our class. Roshna, with your positive attitude, you will go far in life...I can't wait to see what you go on to achieve!

The TT Rockstars Awards

go to

Delaysa
Biggest improvement in accuracy

Harley
Biggest improvement in fluency speed

Erin P
Highest coin earner & most correct answers

Harley
Gone Green certificates

Iris P
Gone Green certificates



Diary Dates - next week

Monday 9th February	Tuesday 10th February	Wednesday 11th February	Thursday 12th February	Friday 13th February
Activities & Events Mental Health Week assembly	Activities & Events Learner Review Meetings 15.40-18.30	Activities & Events	Activities & Events Learner Review Meetings 15.40-18.30	Activities & Events
Lunchtime Clubs TBC	Lunchtime Clubs TBC	Lunchtime Clubs TBC	Lunchtime Clubs	Lunchtime Clubs Music ambassadors Year 4-6
Musical Instrument Lessons IMS piano and flute True Music Guitar lessons	Musical Instrument Lessons IMS drums IMS Piano / keyboard	Musical Instrument Lessons IMS Violin and Keyboard	Musical Instrument Lessons	Musical Instrument Lessons No IMS Singing lessons this week
After School Clubs Girls Football Year 3-6 15.30-16.30	After School Clubs Bounce and Beat Year 3-6 15.30-16.30 DM Football Year 3-6 15.30-16.45 Multisports - FULL Year 3-6 15.30-16.30	After School Clubs Spanish Club Year 3-6 15.30-16.30 Cookery Club (FULL) Year 3-6 15.30-16.30 Basketball Club Year 3 & 4 15.30-16.15 Year 5 & 6 16.30-17.15	After School Clubs Musical Theatre Year 3-6 15.30-18.00 - last session DM Football Year 3-6 15.30-16.45	After School Clubs Cheerleading - not on this week (13/2) Dodgeball Year 3-6 15.30-16.30

Future dates for your diary

Monday 16th – Friday 20th February	Half term
Monday 23rd February	Teacher training day
Thursday 26th February	Year 6 SATS meeting for parents/ carers
17th & 18th March, after school	IEP reviews

TERM DATES 2025 - 2026

Autumn Term 2025

<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Monday 1 September</i>
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Tuesday 2nd September</i>
Term Starts	Wednesday 3 rd September
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Friday 24th October</i>
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 27 – Friday 31 October</i>
Term Ends	Friday 19 December

Spring Term 2026

Term Starts	Monday 5 January
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 16 – Friday 20 February</i>
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Monday 23 February</i>
Term Ends	Friday 27 March

Summer Term 2026

Term Starts	Monday 13 April
May Day	Monday 4 May
<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May</i>
<i>Teacher Training Day</i>	<i>Monday 1st 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>
Term Starts	Wednesday 2 September
<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>
Term Ends	Friday 26 March

Summer Term 2027

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

There will be 4 further teacher training days during 2026-2027 – to be confirmed.