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## PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

### Drop off and collection

Please continue to make yourself visible and stand within the yellow box as this will speed up the collection process. Thank you

### Home to School Learning

In the event that children need to self-isolate or should we experience a partial or full closure of the school, we have in place a home learning contingency plan. Please follow the link:

[https://swanlandeducationtrust.co.uk/uploads/files/Dunswell\\_Home\\_Learning\\_Contingency\\_Plan.pdf](https://swanlandeducationtrust.co.uk/uploads/files/Dunswell_Home_Learning_Contingency_Plan.pdf)

From the 5<sup>th</sup> October, if children have to self-isolate at home, there will be a weekly learning overview on your child's class page. This will lead you to links of work and videos. Home learning will work alongside what the children are learning in the classroom so it is imperative that children complete home learning to keep up with the sequence of lessons and allow them to integrate easily back into class on their return.

### Parent Governor

Dunswell Academy has a position for a parent governor on their Local Governing Board (LGB). I feel that we are currently not in the position to have a vote for a position if there was a lot of interest in the position. Therefore, I would currently just like to gauge interest for the role by asking for expressions of interest to be emailed to the school office ([office@dunswellacademy.co.uk](mailto:office@dunswellacademy.co.uk)) This will allow the school to see what interest for the position is like and voting can be held at a later date when all parents are able to engage more with one another.

### COVID Update

Should your child or anyone in the family home display COVID symptoms, please contact the school to ensure that the correct procedures are followed.

Following government guidance, windows in the classrooms are open to allow a well-ventilated room. As the colder weather approaches, please ensure that children are prepared for colder weather with perhaps a fleece or additional jumper.

### Black History Week

Next week, all the children in school will be focusing on Black History Week in school. At the end of the week, on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October, we will all celebrate together and 'Stand Up to Racism' by wearing red. We are encouraging the children to wear anything red (but this doesn't have to be their school uniform!).

### Harvest Festival

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, each class will hold their own Harvest Assembly in their classroom. The children will sing and celebrate harvest altogether. On the morning of the assembly, we ask that children bring an item of food which will be donated to the East Yorkshire Foodbank. There will be a box outside school for donations to be placed in and they will be collected by the food bank that day. Please see the attached information leaflet for examples of food which the food bank requires.

Future dates

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October** – Stand Up to Racism – all children to wear red clothing (not their school uniform!) to raise awareness

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October** – Parents' Evening (to be held on MS Teams) More details to follow

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October** – Parents' Evening (to be held on MS Teams) More details to follow

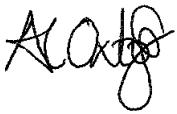
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – Class harvest assemblies in schools with donations for the East Yorkshire Foodbank

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – School closes for half term

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** – school opens

We strongly recognise the part which parents play in their child's education. We can work together as a partnership to ensure that we all promote high standards of learning, behaviour and attitudes towards school so that all children can be the very best.

Yours sincerely



Alison Oxtoby  
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