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PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Free School Meals

All children in Key Stage One receive Universal Free School Meals (UFSM). However, if parents meet the criteria below and apply for free school meals then the school will receive additional funding to support your child. Your child(ren) will be entitled to free school meals if you as the parent are in receipt of any of the following benefits:

- Job Seeker's Allowance (income-based)
- Income Support
- Universal Credit – Your annual income assessed by the Department for Work and Pension must be less than £7,400. Any pupil eligible for free school meals before 1 April 2018 when the earned income threshold is introduced will retain their eligibility until the end of universal credit roll-out which is March 2022
- Child Tax Credit (but NOT receiving Working Tax Credit) – provided your annual income, assessed by the Inland Revenue, does not exceed £16,190
(Please note: this amount is subject to change in April every year)
- Employment Support Allowance (income-related)
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

Please click [here](#) to access the East Riding website find out more about applying for free school meals.

It's Good to Grow

Morrisons have very recently launched their 'It's Good to Grow' campaign where you are given tokens with your shopping. These can then be automatically donated to your school using the My Morrisons app. Dunswell have set up an account with Morrisons so we are ready to receive tokens from parents. This is a great opportunity for the school to collect more gardening equipment for the wonderful school allotment.



Parking

Despite regular reminders and requests, we continue to find some parents choosing to park in China Red. We ask that parents use the Sports Hall facility to ensure the safety of all our children at the beginning and end of the day.

I now, understandably, have some parents who are annoyed that constant reminders do not lead to any change. The school does not own this property and has no legal right to take any action unfortunately so text reminders and presence where possible are the only actions which the school can take. We fully rely on the good will of parents to support the school.

Thank you very much to those parents that do follow the requests.



Parent Teacher Association (PTA)



We are very fortunate at Dunswell to have a wonderful PTA team who have undertaken their roles fantastically for several years. The PTA play a key part in raising vital funds for the school. Our chair, Simone, has run the PTA successfully and is now ready to step down from the role. We are therefore looking for a new chair but also some new PTA members. Without a chair, we will be unable to run a PTA for the school. The committee meet to discuss and arrange events. It would be great to have some new members with more great fundraising ideas. Please speak to me for a member of the PTA for more information.

Twitter

As a school, we are actively using Twitter more to share what we do as a school and celebrate the children, their work, and the creative curriculum. If you use Twitter, please follow us, and share any fantastic achievements of children outside of school! @DunswellAcademy #community



Dunswell's 100 Club

It is not too late to join the Dunswell 100 club – you've got to be in it to win it!!

Please contact the school office if you would like an application form.



Future dates

Friday 17th to Sunday 19th September – Year 6 residential

Monday 20th September – Class 1 and 2 'Meet and Greet' session

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
Head Teacher