



Blended Learning and Online Safety

Thank you for your continued support with the blended learning that is being shared with you everyday. As families, the numbers of you who are logging on and registering in your Google Classrooms continues to impress. This week's learning offer developed further to include a day away from the screen altogether! Next Tuesday is National Safer Internet Day. The theme for the day will be based on 'trust', and whether everything that the internet provides us can be trusted to be reliable. You can find parental support by following this link to The Safer Internet Centre <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2021/i-am-parent-or-carer> to get started a little early. Hopefully, you have already seen this information leaflet put together by National Online Safety that we shared earlier in the week. If not, please see this update about WeChat by clicking <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/hub/view/guide/wechat> If you haven't already signed up for your free parent access, please do at: <http://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/dartford-primary-academy>. Once you have logged in, I would recommend spending five minutes watching a video guide by Mylene Klass that is aimed at the specific ages that your children currently are.

MyON



The last year has seen the need to move learning online, and MyON has been an invaluable tool in enabling families to still share books matched to their child's current reading level. In year 2 and KS2, it has also allowed continued access to reading quizzes, allowing children's comprehension of what they have read to develop. Since September, collectively we have shared 8,926 books, more than any other school in the trust, and have read for a total of 1,179 hours. A big well done to all of our DPA families! This week you have read for a total of 7, 320 minutes and shared 1, 410 books. Our top three year groups are; Year 3 with 1,240 minutes, Year 1 with 1,210 minutes and Year R with 1,170 minutes. ur children's learning so a big well done to all those supporting reading at home.

Parking

Please do not park in front of the school car park gates as access is needed at all times. Thank you.

Times Table Rockstars

So many pupils are joining in with the weekly TT Rockstars tournament. Our online subscription programmes such as numbots and TTRockstars are not only great fun but really do help maintain and improve children's core fluency maths skills they will need use throughout their lives. We recommend children playing these for at least 10 minutes each day.



Wellbeing Wednesday

We really hope you enjoyed some of the activities that were planned for our very first 'Wellbeing Wednesday'. We plan to include more of these after half term and if you have any suggestions for ideas, it would be great to hear them.



Thank you for all of your support with promoting Children's Mental Health Week. The competition entries have been fantastic and even the staff were inspired to get involved! Check out our staff video here: https://youtu.be/YsT_ucFA9sA

Well done to all of the children who took part. It was fantastic to see such a variety of ways that you express yourselves! To see the winning entries, please see the slides on your class pages.

Emotional Wellbeing Team update

Thanks to your feedback, Izzy has arranged further parent workshops for us. The full list will be available on the end of term newsletter and will be advertised as we get closer to the dates. Please click the zoom link if you would like to attend - no need to register!

01.03.21 First session of Create and Connect, 4pm (more information arriving soon)

[https://zoom.us/j/96743042819?](https://zoom.us/j/96743042819?pwd=dTFkOUgzSkIKUHJDSllxSEYwV2lSQTO9)
[pwd=dTFkOUgzSkIKUHJDSllxSEYwV2lSQTO9](https://zoom.us/j/96743042819?pwd=dTFkOUgzSkIKUHJDSllxSEYwV2lSQTO9)

02.03.21 - Introduction to Autism Spectrum Condition, 1-2pm

[https://zoom.us/j/922602399926?](https://zoom.us/j/922602399926?pwd=VWQ3VjY0STJoWklWcmJjQnliRG5ldz09)
[pwd=VWQ3VjY0STJoWklWcmJjQnliRG5ldz09](https://zoom.us/j/922602399926?pwd=VWQ3VjY0STJoWklWcmJjQnliRG5ldz09)

05.03.21 - Transition back to school, 3.30pm

[https://zoom.us/j/92222860863?](https://zoom.us/j/92222860863?pwd=Z3ZJRmZvRXFkWTIRmEzQi9BN0ZJdz09)
[pwd=Z3ZJRmZvRXFkWTIRmEzQi9BN0ZJdz09](https://zoom.us/j/92222860863?pwd=Z3ZJRmZvRXFkWTIRmEzQi9BN0ZJdz09)

Nursery Applications September 2021

The closing date for nursery applications is 31st March. If you would like to put your child on the waiting list, there is an application form on our website, which should be completed and returned. Please email office@dartfordprimary.org.uk if you would like a form emailed to you. Children should be 3 years old to join the nursery.

