



# DILS News



Dunstable Icknield Lower School Newsletter Issue 14  
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**What a way to end a term!** - A huge thank you to all helpers, parents and carers who came along to see our whole school end of term singing concert on Wednesday 19 December 2018. The children were utterly amazing in this rare opportunity to have the whole school perform together at the same time and the event supported our journey through Artsmark. Thank you to the PTA who enabled this event by covering the cost of the venue.

**Healthy Living Days** - We started the term with two days of learning activities for the whole school. The children have baked healthy muffins with fruit or herbs, taken part in a variety of physical games and exercises to get their bodies moving and thought about the ways we can be kind and support each other to maintain a healthy mind. By looking at all aspects of a healthy lifestyle we are helping the children to develop the skills to make informed choices in the future.

**PE Days in January 2019** – PE specialist coached lessons will change for the next half term. From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January until Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February, PE days will be:

Year 1; Monday & Tuesday  
Year 2; Monday & Thursday  
Year 3; Wednesday & Monday  
Year 4; Thursday & Wednesday

**Chicken Pox** – Chicken Pox season has arrived again. For more information about what to look for and how to help your child if they have chicken pox, follow the link below:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox/>

**Happy News for the New Year** – Mrs Jones is having a baby! Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Jones as they get ready for a new addition to their family in May 2019. This term we will be appointing a teacher to step into Mrs Jones' shoes in 3J before she starts her maternity leave.

**Lost Property** – Please check that each item of uniform is clearly marked with your child's name so lost items can make their way back to your child.

**Parking Outside of School** – May I remind parents and carers who drop their children at school in cars that there is little or no parking in Burr Street. Parking in front of resident's property and blocking driveways is very inconsiderate and does nothing to support the image of your school with our neighbours. Where it is not possible to walk to school with your child, there is free parking alongside Bennett's Recreation ground in Icknield Street from which is a very short walk to school.

**After School Clubs** – Re-start in Term 2 – booking information has been sent out to parents, there are limited spaces available, please ensure you book a place for your child on line.

**School Choir** – Every Friday Miss Cowan Y4 teacher will be running a lunchtime Choir club at school for children in Years 3 and 4, starting Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> January.

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**Central Bedfordshire SOS for Parents** – Have you registered? Central Bedfordshire have an automatic notification system for parent and carers to sign up to which will alert you if the school is closed for any reason. Please follow the link below and register for this service. You can register for as many CBC schools as you like.

<http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/apps/sos/>

**DILS Tweets: Are you following us?** - Join the 182 followers and follow us on Twitter for reminders and updates of events and news at DILS. <https://twitter.com/icknielDL>

Key Dates for Term 2	
Thursday 03 <sup>rd</sup> & Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Healthy Living and well-being days
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Prospective Parents evening 16:00 –17:00 - for new starters in Nursery and Reception Sept 2019
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	Admissions deadline for <b>Sept 2019</b> children starting school and Y4 leavers transferring to Year 5
Thursday 31 January - 9am	4C Class Assembly
Monday 4 February - 2pm	Y2 Performance - more information to follow
Friday 1 February	Interim Progress Reports issued to parents
Wednesday 6 February	Parent Teacher Meetings - 1
Thursday 7 February	Parent Teacher Meetings - 2
Monday 11 February – Friday 15 February	<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Thursday 21 February - 9am	3J Class Assembly

Letters sent home this week		
Letter Content:	Who sent to:	Date sent:
DILS – Welcome back email	Whole School	02/01/2019
PE Clubs - Years 1-4	Y1 - Y4	02/01/2019
Zumba - Years 1-4	Y1 - Y4	02/01/2019
Year 2 Dance class	Y2	02/01/2019
DILS - 3J Classroom News	Y3	03/01/2019
DILS - Reception Coverage of works - Week 2 January 2019	Reception	04/01/2019