



Donnington Wood Infant School & Nursery

Newsletter

Friday 15th May 2026



While everyone has been busy learning in school and nursery the crane has been very busy removing the temporary classrooms. Now that the buildings have been removed Paveways will be working to make the playground and field safe to use.

On Wednesday we had a school and nursery full of smart children for class photos. We will send the proofs home as soon as they arrive.



There is still some work to complete inside school but we are hoping to be able to invite parents into school and nursery after half term to see the changes.

Attendance

Whole School - 93.36%
Class 1 - 96.53%
Class 2 - 94.81%
Class 3 - 90.91%
Class 4 - 95.02%
Class 5 - 90.91%
Class 6 - 93.12%



Early Bird = Class 6



Golden Book

Year 2

Nevaeh & Noah

Year 1

Cole & Nina
Harvey & Jacob

Reception

Laynee & Neveah

Kirsty & Hanya

Nursery

Joel & Hunter

Readers of the Week

Year 2

Jaxon & Ivy

Year 1

Ayla & Abdul

Reception

Aiden & Harvey



Times Of The Day



School

8:40 doors open (close at 8:45)
3:10 end of the day

Nursery

8:40 - 8:50 morning doors open
11:30 - 11:40 collect from nursery
12:30 - 12:40 afternoon doors open
3:20 - 3:30 collect from nursery

If your child is late, please bring them to the office and a member of staff will take them to class.

Friday 22nd May
last day of school & nursery

Monday 1st June
back to school & nursery

Afterschool Club

Embrace™

After School Club
Scan QR Code
for more information



Flexible Hours
between
3:10 & 5:45pm
£7.50 per session

The club is held in the 'Hive' (the old Children's Centre building) on our site, a safe and welcoming space for all activities. Our club is packed with fun activities; arts & crafts, sports, and creative play to engage and inspire your child. A tasty snack and drink will be provided to keep energy levels up. Scan the QR code for more information.



Please can we remind parents that our whole site (right up to the pavements on Baldwin Webb Avenue and Church Walk) is a no-smoking and no-vaping or e-cigarette site.

Improved Attendance

Well done to 7 children who have moved up a level on the Attendance Pyramid this week.



Money

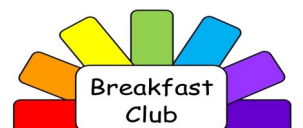


Please take any money for clubs, school trips, nursery etc to the main office. Please do not hand it to classroom staff or give it to your child to hand in. We need to make sure that all money is stored securely and isn't lost or left around school or nursery. Thank you.

Breakfast Club

7:45 - 8:40
£2 per day

Available for children in school. Please come to the main office door for Breakfast Club.



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Absence from school & nursery

If you are unsure about whether your child is well enough to come to school or nursery you can find helpful information about childhood illnesses and school attendance on our website and at www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

Please make sure you contact the office daily on 386640

Or email - donnwood.infants@taw.org.uk if your child is absent from school or nursery. It is really important that we know why your child is absent.

Please note that the office is staffed between 8:30am & 4:00pm. It can get very busy in the mornings with phone calls and visitors. If the phone is not answered then please leave a message on the answer machine.

Could you help our school?

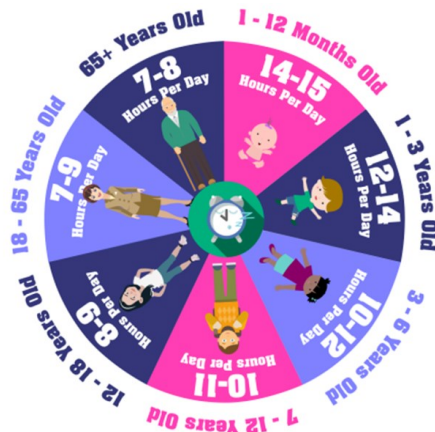
There is currently a vacancy on the Governing Body for a parent governor. Governors play a key role in making sure our school and nursery are the best they can be. If you would like to know more about being a governor then please talk to Mrs Boddy, Mrs Hannington or Mrs Bentley (in the office).



How much sleep?

We have had lots of tired children in school and nursery this week. This chart comes from The Sleep Council as a guide to the amount of sleep based on age. It's important to note that the hours on the chart are a guide and it's essential to focus on sleep quality and establishing a good routine. Just like adults, some children need more sleep and some children need less sleep. Children and young people are more likely to delay sleep when playing a video game, watching TV, or chatting to their friends. They are more likely to have their brains stimulated by this content, which then makes it harder to sleep. This is because **just 10 minutes of blue light exposure interferes with the brain's production of the 'sleepy' hormone, melatonin.** The Sleep Council recommends turning off all screens **at least one hour before bedtime.**

Children sometimes turn on their devices and or/televisions during the night when parents may not be aware. To avoid this, we recommend keeping devices and televisions away from the bedroom to avoid this temptation for your child. If you would like any more advice about sleep or bedtime routines please talk to Mrs Campbell or Mrs Butler.



Fridays

8:30 - 11:30

Enjoy a warm drink and a chat. Further information available at the office.



PE



On PE days in school children need to wear a plain white t-shirt, plain black or dark blue joggers / leggings / shorts, and a school jumper / cardigan.

Reading at home

We have been really encouraged that lots of children are reading at home regularly. We know that it will help them to become fluent and confident readers. Children read regularly in school but with regular practice at home children make even better progress. Don't forget to write in your child's reading diary when they read at home.

There are prizes available for children who are reading at home and we use reading diaries to check who receives a prize. If you have any questions about reading then please let us know.

