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11th July - Newsletter

Musical Celebration

Can you help win £1,000 for our school's library

Win £1,000 for your school's library

It's well established that reading for pleasure leads to significantly better outcomes for children – boosting academic performance, enhancing wellbeing and fostering vital life skills like empathy.

Please could you all nominate us? If you can, please follow the link below and you could win a £100 National Book Token for yourself!

Health Week

The whole school has been revelling in the buzz of health week this week and it has been a joy to behold.

From singing and dancing to favourite songs, the success of sports days, mindfulness and kindness buckets it really has been special.
We have been championing healthy bodies and healthy minds and finished with an assembly where we shared the words of each class in their positive messages to themselves, talked about fruits and vegetables never tried before (passion fruit, radishes and kumquats were all mentioned) and sang a whole school "Eye of the Tiger" (which Year 6 seemed to know very well – maybe a hint for our up and coming leavers' assembly…)

In our gallery below we have class positivity clouds and with thanks to Dolce Ltd for organising and delivering smoothie tasting, ome photos of this too.

Lumi Nova - Tales of Courage

Lumi Nova is a therapeutic game that helps children aged 7-12 years olds experiencing mild to moderate anxiety. it helps to self manage worries and build resilience.

Families are able to download the app to get free instant access.

It is not recommended for use with children who have severe anxiety, are in crisis, have suicidal thoughts or are at risk of self harming without clinical supervision.

Please follow the link below for more details:

KS1 & KS2 Tennis Festival

Children from year 2, 3 and 4 attended a tennis festival at the East Gloucester Tennis club last week.
Lots of the children were representing the school for the first time and they all loved playing tennis against children from other schools across Cheltenham.

Year 3 - Their DT Morning

Year 3 invited families into school last week to help complete their DT project making fabric pennants to represent Cheltenham.

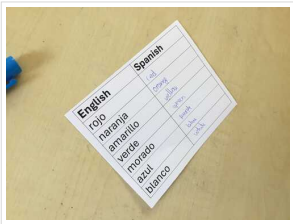
Thank you to everyone who attended it was a great morning!

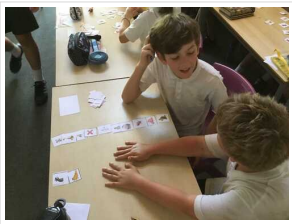
Year 5 - Spanish

Following on from Year 4's French afternoon, Year 5 were lucky enough to enjoy an afternoon of Spanish with Pittville School's, Year 9 Language Leaders.

They came armed with games and a fiesta feeling – giving the children an introduction to Spanish.
This was a wonderful way to explore another foreign language and the children all had great fun.

A big thank you to Pittville for their efforts and support for our foreign language efforts at Dunalley.





Staff Leavers

We will be saying farewell to some staff at the end of term, we thought we would share this with you now in case you wanted to wish them well before the end of term:

- Mr Childs - Site Manager
- Mrs Jones - Teacher (Y2SJ)
- Mr Wilson - Teacher (Y5W)
- Hannah Street - Nursery Teacher
- Anna Grainger - Teaching Partner
- Kat Rittacca -Teaching Partner
- Emily Bramley - Teaching Partner
- Claire Calder - Teaching Partner
- Lissy Stephens - OPAL Play Partner & Teaching Partner

I'm sure families will join us in heartfelt thanks for the hard work, commitment and loyalty our members of staff have given to Dunalley over the years.

PTFA News & updates

Be Summer Ready!

Make summer easier and fun with their ultimate summer pack for parents! Get set for a summer of **less stress and more fun.** Parentkind's summer pack is filled to the brim with tips, ideas and printable resources to help you navigate the holidays with confidence. **It's your ultimate summer survival guide – don't miss it!** Visit https://www.parentkind.org.uk/for-parents/be-summer-ready-the-ultimate-summer-pack-for-parents

Parentkind's autumn webinar line-up is live!

Designed to support you through every stage of your child's education, **these expert-led sessions** cover a wide range of topics – **from wellbeing and behaviour to SEND and navigating school systems.** Whether you're looking for practical advice or deeper understanding, there's a session for you. **Webinars are free to attend and open to all parents and carers.**

You can view the list and book here - https://www.parentkind.org.uk/your-pta-expert/parent-webinars (use GL50 4LB as the school's postcode.)

Can you help? We need volunteers.

Calling all willing volunteers for a bit of a site tidy up and help to spruce up our outdoor areas with a bit of paint/wood staining.

If you are free in August between Monday the 11th and Friday 29th August, please contact Sara Byrne on email

New Menu for September

Our catering compnay Dolce Ltd have a new menu from September,
you can access this via the link below:

https://dunalleyps.schoolzineplus.co.uk/_file/media/6467/dolce_autumn_2025_menu_traditional_4.o.pdf