



**Wednesday 20th
December 2017**

Barley Bulletin

**Christmas Half Term:
Break up on Wednesday
20th December at 1:30pm
Return on Wednesday 3rd
January at 8:40am**

Dear Children, Parents, Carers & Staff of DBJA...

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year! We have had another busy term with lots of events and celebrations such as Parents Open Mornings, a Bake Sale, Wear it Wild day, Class Assemblies, Carol Concerts and our Winter Fayre. We have lots more exciting things coming up in the new year. Check the school events calendar on the website and future newsletters for more details. We have also raised a significant amount of money for charity including:



Macmilan Cake Sale = £230.00

Children In Need = £270.00

Wear it Wild = £255.00

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day = £187.00

Total money raised for charity September - December = £942.00

Well done to all for taking part!



Improving Parent-Teacher communication at DBJA

From January we are introducing a new system for requesting meetings with the teachers and leaders at school. While you will still have the chance to have informal, brief chats with teachers and leaders at the beginning and ends of school days we are seeking to find more robust ways of arranging longer and more formal meetings. This will ensure that we can see the details of any issues before deciding who on the staff is the person best placed to deal with the issue raised. The initial request for a formal meeting should now be made by a request slip to the office, completing the details of the incident, the member of staff you are requesting to see and your contact details. This will allow us to monitor and track on-going issues and provide you with a clear and detailed response to any issues you raise. Parent meeting request slips will be available at the office from 3rd January. They will be reviewed by SLT (the Senior Leadership Team) on a daily basis and we aim to provide an initial response within 24 hours.

Congratulations!

Well Done to **Ellie R in Apple** class for **winning 'Guess the name of the bear'**

Well Done to **Ayaath A in Black Oak** for winning **'Guess how many sweets in the jar'**



Aspirations Week 2018

Don't forget we have our Aspirations Week coming up the first week in January. Encourage your children to think big, ask them what they want to be when they are older and maybe share some stories about your hopes and dreams!





Forthcoming Events for 2018

Other Events

- . Aspirations Week - Wednesday 3rd January
- . Spiritual & Cultural Week - Monday 15th January
- . Young Voices Concert - Monday 5th February
- . Tuesday 6th February 1pm-3pm - Parent Workshop 'Keeping your children safe online'
- . Book Week - Monday 26th February

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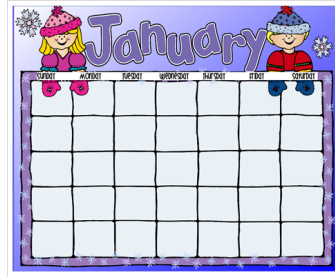
- . Mayesbrook Park - Thursday 18th January

Year 3

- . Road Safety Talk (In School) AM - Monday 8th January
- . Ash Tesco Trip - Wednesday 10th January
- . Apple Tesco Trip - Thursday 11th January
- . Acacia Tesco Trip - Wednesday 17th January
- . Aspen Tesco Trip - Thursday 18th January
- . Carnival Day (In School) - Wednesday 7th February
- . Acacia Class Assembly 10:30am - Thursday 8th February

Year 4

- . Road Safety Talk (In School) AM - Monday 8th January
- . Recycling Talk (In School) AM - x2 classes on Monday 15th & x2 classes on Wednesday 17th January
- . Black Oak Class Assembly - Thursday 1st February
- . Crime & Punishment Day (In School) - Friday 2nd February



Forthcoming Events for 2018 (continued)

Year 5

- . Holly Class Assembly 10:30am - Thursday 25th January
- . Toy Museum x2 classes on Thursday 8th & Friday 9th February

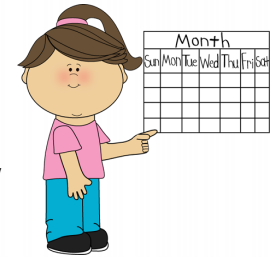
Year 6

- . Yr 6 Guitar Lessons begin - Thursday 4th January (every Thursday)
- . Violin Lessons begin (selected children) - Tuesday 9th January (every Tuesday)
- . Sugar Maple Class Assembly 10:30am - Thursday 18th January
- . Viking Morning - Friday 26th January

More dates and details can be found on DBJA's website:

www.dorothybarleyjunioracademy.co.uk

The school calendar can be found in the section 'News and Events - Calendar'



Weekly Attendance - Monday 11th December 2017

Acacia - %	Apple - %	Ash - %	Aspen - %
Beech - %	Bayberry - %	Black Oak - %	Banyan - %
Holly - %	Hawthorn - %	Hazel - %	Hemlock - %
Sugar Maple - %	Spruce - %	Sweet Gum - %	Sycamore - %

Our Whole School Attendance this week is %. Our School target is %.

February Half Term

Break up on Friday 9th February at 3:20pm
Return on Monday 19th February at 8:40am

Easter Half Term

Break up on Thursday 29th March at 1:30pm
Return on Tuesday 17th April at 8:40am

