



Newsletter

Term: Summer 2021

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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been lovely to welcome everyone back after the Easter holiday - feeling much refreshed after a restful break.

As the new term begins we have continued to review all of the risk assessments and safety measures we have in place. We are delighted to have been able to open Moles Club again - a huge thank you to the Moles Team for making this possible. We are already receiving enquiries with regards to Moles bookings and arrangements for September. Details will be sent out at the end of next month, in order to allow for applications for any new pupils who will be joining North Downs in the next school year. A huge thank you also, to Mrs Letts and her catering team who have supported us in our efforts to now have all of the children across each site, who have school lunches, return to dining in the school halls.

Parent Teacher consultations have taken place this week and as we look ahead to the rest of this term we are endeavouring to organise as many of our usual summer term activities as we can. These will hopefully include Sports Days (within bubbles) and Induction Days for North Downs children moving up to their new year groups. More details to follow as guidance is updated.

Servery Assistant - Leigh

We are looking to appoint a servery assistant at our Leigh site to help deliver an efficient lunchtime service to our pupils. Hours of work would be term time only, Monday to Friday 11.30am to 1.30pm. Duties will include preparing for lunch, assisting in the serving of meals, and cleaning down after service. No food preparation will be required. This role would be ideal for a parent or member of the local community and anyone interested should email the school on admin2@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk for further details.

Anti-Bullying Policy Review

Following on from the recent review of our School Behaviour Management Policy, Mr Wade is now leading a review of our Anti-Bullying Policy and Procedures. As part of this review we would like the opportunity to discuss the policy with a focus group of parents. We have engaged with parents in this way previously, when discussing changes to homework and our end of year reports and has always been such an incredibly useful activity for everyone concerned. We will hold the sessions, socially distanced, in the outdoor classroom at the Brockham base. If you would be interested in being involved in this group please complete a form via the link below by Tuesday 4th May.

<https://tinyurl.com/p6eeazu2>

Polite reminders...

Thank you so much for continuing to support us with the systems we have put in place for the beginning and end of each day at each of the sites. We do have a few polite requests, however, primarily for the Brockham site.

- Could I please ask that once you have dropped your child(ren) at the school gate(s) you are mindful not to stand and chat on the pavements outside the school gate. It does cause a bit of an obstruction and children often have to walk into the road to get past.
- Could we please ask that the parents of those children using the main gate (Years R, 1, 2 and 4) avoid congregating in the area leading from the main gate down to the end of the Year 3 building? It can make it particularly difficult to safely dismiss the Year 2 children at the end of the day.
- With regards to school lunches, please let the office know should your child(ren) switch to/from school lunches. Charges may be incurred if we are not made aware of any changes. For your information, there is a new menu available on our website.

Thank you for your understanding.

Scarecrows

The children have had a fantastic time building scarecrows. They all look amazing although they do give us a fright when we walk round corners!



Dates for the Diary

Monday 3rd May - Bank Holiday

Wednesday 12th May - Class Photos

Thursday 27th May - Break up for half term

Friday 28th May - INSET Day

Monday 7th June - Children return to school

Tuesday 20th July - End of summer term

Wednesday 21st July - INSET Day

Happy News...



Such lovely news...

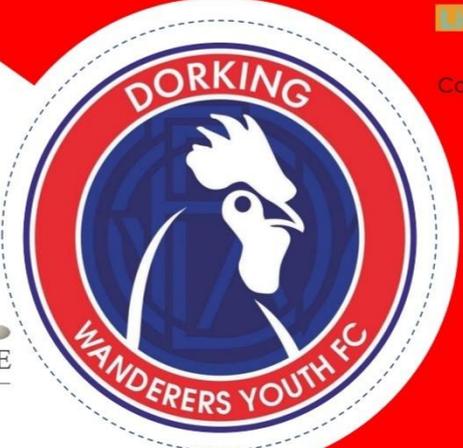
Miss Warren and her fiancé, Sam, are expecting their first child in October. Huge congratulations to the both of them - we are all incredibly excited!

Dorking Wanderers Youth FC

★ MINI WANDERERS ★

For children starting Reception (U5) in September 2021

In partnership with
LinkUpLeisure
A St John's
Community Project



STONEGATE
HOMES

Fun and **free** football introduction and development programme for boys and girls.

Where? St John's C of E Primary School in Dorking on their all-weather 3G pitch.

When? Saturday mornings, 9am-10am commencing mid-September 2021.

Sessions led by Richard Webber and Ben Dyson, qualified DWYFC FA Level 2 Youth Football Coaches.

Maximum 25 children, who will all receive a free 'Mini Wanderers' t-shirt and football. Please contact gavinstreet.dwyfc@gmail.com to register your interest or to find out more information.



Reminder from FONDS

FONDS Logo competition **STILL OPEN!** Thanks to all those who have entered so far, they all look great and teachers are looking forward to judging. We will keep it open until **WEDNESDAY 5th MAY** so please keep entering. We definitely need some more entries from Yr 4, 5 and 6.

Thank you
Team FONDS

*Wishing you all an enjoyable Bank Holiday weekend.
See you all again on Tuesday 4th May.*

JL Douglas