

DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



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Message from the Head Teacher

It has been so wonderful having our Fathers in school this week to spend time playing and doing activities together with the children. The children have been so excited having their daddies in school. We hope you enjoyed your time in school as much as we loved having you in school.

Plans are progressing well for the Summer fair on 29th June with DEPA working incredibly hard behind the scenes to ensure the day is a fantastic one for the whole Pre-Prep Epsom community. We had a great meeting this week moving the plans forward, introducing new ideas and making sure we hadn't

forgotten anything! A huge thank you to our DEPA committee and our class reps for all their hard work until this point and through to the fair. Please keep an eye on the DEPA section of the newsletter and the board by the door for all the exciting news about the day.

Our first PEG (parent engagement group) meeting will be on Tuesday 25th June—apologies for the 2 different dates given last week.

Happy Father's Day to all our Downsend dads and Grandads for Sunday.

Mrs Vanessa Conlan

DEPA news

Summer Fair

The final countdown is on! You'll start to receive all the information about this fantastic event next week. Look out for it on school notice boards, in book bags and emails.

This year admission is FREE!!! There will be a token system for some stalls. Tokens go on sale from Mon 24th June and there are bargains to be had when you buy in advance. More info coming next week.

Volunteers Still Needed:

We still need volunteers for stalls and the clear up. Please contact the DEPA team if you can
help: epsomdepa@gmail.com
or sign up at reception. CONT.



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Celebration Board

Achievements in class work, good manners and excellent behaviour are celebrated in a special assembly every week.

We congratulated the following children this week:

First Steps

Kingsley
Ryan

Hedgehogs

Amaya

Squirrels

Anna
Jago

Badgers

Arjun

Owls

Anna

Well Done!

DEPA news cont.

Don't forget ...

Mufti Day: Monday (17th June) is Mufti/Non Uniform day. In return please donate a "luxury bottle" for the Bottle Tombola. It doesn't need to be alcoholic – other bottles, e.g. oils, vinegars, bath products are welcome. Please donate a bottle you'd be thrilled to win!

Surprise Socks: The laundry basket for your filled Surprise Socks is now in reception.

News from main site

Tuesday night's 'Downsend Rocks' was definitely the highlight of the week, with almost 50 pupils, aged 8 to 13, forming our 4 Rock Bands and performing a range of songs to a Dining Hall full of proud parents and staff. Seeing such confidence and teamwork was heartening. With Years 6-8 heading off to Residential Trips Week on Monday, our Summer Refurbishment of Downsend begins. By September, we will have a new Junior Library, Food Tech Room, STEAM spaces, Senior Learning Resource Centre. It's all very exciting!
Mr I Thorpe

Staff News

Mrs Dreghorn, one of our R/Y1 teaching assistants will be retiring at the end of term. Also Mrs Bantock, who left us on a secondment to main site last Summer, will not be returning back to Pre-Prep Epsom in September. They have both completed 17 fantastic years at Downsend and I know you will join me in thanking them and wishing them good luck for the future.

Mathletics news

Well done to Amy, Keira, Sonia and Zaria for achieving a Bronze certificate and to Amy and Keira for also achieving a Silver certificate last week. Fantastic Mathletics!

Events Week Commencing 17th June 2019

Mon	All day	Ms Clayton out at Cognita PSHE conference—Mrs Burbidge covering
	am	Mrs Burns in school with Mrs Conlan and Y1
	pm	Mrs Conlan at transition meeting at main site
	3.30—4.30	Spanish and Dance and Music Theatre clubs
Tues	3.30—4.30	Sports & Fitness club
Wed	3.30—4.30	Forest and Grow, Cook, Enjoy clubs
Thurs	3.30—4.30	Science and Mini-cricket clubs
Fri	3.30—4.15	Yoganory club
	pm	Y1 meet the teacher afternoon at main site

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