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Message from the Principal

We've reached the end of term; an Autumn term that has been like no other!

It has been a real pleasure to walk round school and see the effort all the staff have made to make this time as enjoyable and 'normal' as possible for our pupils.

This week's treats have included an online pantomime, Christmas dinner and class Christmas parties.

We also have one final Christmas surprise being sent out to parents today.

We hope you have enjoyed seeing all the fun we've been having on Twitter @DanesholmeJun – if you haven't followed us yet, please do!

I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas.

Mrs Rolf

Good bye & Good luck



Mrs Bonnefemme, Lunchtime Supervisor is leaving us today to start a new job at Beanfield and take up a new opportunity.

We wish her every success for the future.

Free School Meals – Christmas Holidays

Voucher codes were sent out to Pupils last week (in a brown envelope) as well as a [Help Guide for Huggg](#) – which is the application link to which you will redeem and receive your voucher.



This is the website which you will use to redeem your voucher code: <https://launch.huggg.me/login>

Email address for help and support using their site is: Hello@huggg.me

Once you have redeemed your voucher, we recommend you take a screenshot of this voucher on your mobile phone to use in the supermarket of your choice.

Information and help guides will also be available on our school website under [Parent, Free School Meals](#) as well as helpful tips for redeeming your voucher codes.



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

This is our last newsletter of 2020 – what a year! All the staff at Danesholme Junior Academy would like to take the opportunity to wish you and your families a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Stay safe and we'll see you in 2021.

Christmas message presentations

Parents/Carers will be sent a link with a little Christmas message presentation from some of the Pupils and staff at Danesholme Junior Academy.

We have included as many pupils as possible (*depending on their photo permissions given to school*).

We hope you enjoy these messages.

Thank you – Corby Foodbank



Thank you to Corby Food Bank who were able to support some of our families this week with some food bags.



Our families were very appreciative of this support.

If you require any additional support from Corby Food bank or need to access a food bank voucher, please contact Mrs Docherty on 01536 741657 or email admin@danesholmejunioracademy.org (within Term time).

Foodbank location & opening hours

To access the foodbank or to make a donation, please contact:

St Peter's and St Andrew's Church
Beanfield Ave
Corby
NN18 0EH

Tel: 07414 191434

Monday – 1:30pm – 3pm

Friday – 11:30am – 1pm



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Leah's Big Haircut



At the weekend, Leah McConnell in Nicor generously donated over 35cm of her lovely hair to the Little Princess Trust to help children who have lost their hair.

Leah is also raising money so that donated hair can be made into wigs.

Her just giving page is

https://www.iustgiving.com/fundraising/suzie-mcconnell?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=suzie-mcconnell&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=5202bda19816498ab1356c6530008829&fbclid=IwAR3ZX9TIQvAWNiu_UqqI9hmMP22gm8PeKTVY1T7IZR1Wox6mgvgU3c4rhz

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Well done Leah for your great act of kindness 😊

Kingswood Catering – ordering meals online



Please make sure you are ordering your child's meal online, in advance, by the

Wednesday of each week.

This includes children who are entitled to **Free School Meals.**

<https://www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk/>

Congratulations – Writing board winners.

Last week's fabulous writers were:



Year 3 – Adam Vascinec Evie McKechnie Harper Watson

Year 4 - Chance McKechnie Harry Davies Bethanie Burgess

Year 5 - Jake Pope Lina Al-Ishaq Ava Allen

Year 6 – Amelia Kulikowska Peter Ward-Hutsby Quaid Russell-Mason

Thank you for your donations
Christmas Jumper day –
Friday 11th December 2020



On **Friday 11th December 2020**, staff and pupils were encouraged to swap their usual Academy jumper/cardigan and wear a festive jumper to support 'Save the Children'.

It is not too late to make a donation. Please use the below link (*copy and paste into your web browser if this does not open 1st time*).

<https://link.iustgiving.com/v1/fundraisingpage/donate/pageId/13300573?fundraiserName=our>



We have raised a total of **£124.00**

Thank you for your generosity.

No gatherings of groups of Parents/Guardians/Adults collecting children from school



Please ensure you are keeping a **2m distance** between yourself and other adults & children.



Please also ensure you are **not gathered in groups** on our school playground when you are waiting to collect your child.

Do not block walkways or entrance/exit gates – 2m social distancing



Please ensure you are not blocking the **entrance/exit gates** when dropping off/collecting your child.

Please also ensure you are not blocking the **"no waiting"** areas around our school playground.

Please follow the 1-way system we have in place and drop off/collect on your child's designated playground.





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Application for a Year 3 school place for September 2021

Is your child currently in Year 2?

Apply for a Year 3 school place for September 2021 now!

Is your child due to move on to Junior School in September 2021 having completed the Infant phase of their education?

You now need to apply for a Junior School place for your child.

If you would like them to join Danesholme Junior Academy for Year 3 in September 2021, please make your application to our school no later than **15th January 2021**.

Year 3 school places are **not automatically allocated** even if you currently attend Danesholme Infant Academy.

Please apply online at Northants County Council/Admissions.

Free School Meals



If you think you are eligible for Free School Meals, you will have to apply for them online at:

<https://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/schools-and-education/Pages/free-school-meals.aspx>

Please note: You will have to add each sibling to your application. If you have applied for one sibling and not the other, you will have to make another application for **each sibling**.

Once you have made your application, please forward a copy of this to admin@danesholmejunioracademy.org.

Please remember to include your child's full name and class on all correspondence sent to school.

PE kits & Jewellery



Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school with them **EVERYDAY**.

As the weather is getting colder and we are still participating in PE outdoors, please ensure your child has a **tracksuit and trainers too**.

ALL jewellery must be **REMOVED** on PE days

Covid-19 test results



If your child has received a Covid-19 test, please provide us with a copy of their test result **before your child returns to school**.

Please email this test result to:

admin@danesholmejunioracademy.org

Please include your child's full name and class on all correspondence sent. Thank you.

Staggered timings

Class & Year group	Start time & Finish time	Lunch break
Hermoth (Yr4) Sol (Yr 4) Elli (Yr 4) Delling (Yr 3)	8:45am 3:00pm	11:45am – 12:45pm
Oller (Yr 5) Loki (Yr 5) Mani (Yr 5) Asbru (Yr 3)	8:55am 3:10pm	12:15pm – 1:15pm
Asgard (Yr 6) Jotnar (Yr 6) Embla (Yr 6) Nicoel (Yr 3)	9:05am 3:20pm	12:45pm – 1:45pm

It is important that children are dropped off and collected at their **correct allocated time**.

Leave of absence



Please complete a **Leave of Absence** form on our school website if your child is absent from school. Absences from school will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. The law gives no entitlement to parents to take their child on holiday during term time and fines for term time holiday absence are issued by Northamptonshire County Council.

This form can be found on our website under:

[Parents/Attendance/Leave of Absence](#)

Term Dates & Important dates for your diary

Full term dates can be found on our school website under [Parents/Term Dates](#).

Important dates for your diary

Autumn Term 1

18th December – Class Christmas Parties & mufti day

18th December – Last day of term

Spring Term 1

4th January – Teachers Training day

5th January – School opens

15th January – Deadline for Year 2 to Year 3 applications with Northants County Council

21st January – School photographer (individual portraits only)

12th February – Last day of term