

DONNINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER 2



2nd March 2020

Coronavirus, COVID-19

We know that you will be concerned about the spread of the coronavirus and how we are tackling it.

I can assure you that you that we are following all government guidance regarding keeping children and staff safe. Donnington will remain open unless we are notified of a confirmed case of coronavirus and are advised to close by Public Health England, the Department for Education and/or Brent Council.

In the meantime, we will continue to remind children about good hygiene practices.



Thank you to all of the parents who attended the first coffee morning of the New Year. It was a pleasure to meet with you and hear your views.

We discussed a range of topics with the parents/carers present and some ideas for further parent/carer workshops were shared. Watch this space!!



Brent Council is holding a Health and Wellbeing Fair at Bridge Park Community Leisure Centre on **Friday 20th March 2020**. There will be presentations from a number of organisations including;

- The NHS
- Cancer Research UK
- Sickle Cell Society
- Brent Housing
- Brent Libraries
- Step Up Hub and many more

Please attend if you can.

Key Dates for this term



World Book Day: Thursday 5th March 2020

Science Week: Monday 9th March – Friday 13th March 2020

Boxing Workshop (Years 4,5 & 6): Monday 16th March 2020

Mothers' Day activities: Friday 20th March & Monday 23rd March 2020

Term Ends: **Friday 3rd April 2020**

Easter Holiday: **Monday 6th April 2020 – Friday 17th April 2020**



ROCKSTEADY BAND SESSIONS HAVE BEGUN!



We are delighted to have Rocksteady music lessons taking place every Thursday morning at Donnington.

Children get together in their groups every week to practise electric guitar, keyboards, drums and vocals together. The children are thoroughly enjoying the experience.

Watch this space for their first live performance at the end of term – we'll let you know when.

If you want to find out more please go to www.rocksteadymusicschool.com or speak to Mrs Mannion.

Visits & Visitors

We have been very busy with trips and memorable experiences this term.

All children took part in our Chinese New Year Workshops, Y1 and Y2 went to the Science Museum, Y4 thoroughly enjoyed a drama workshop at Willesden Library and Y5 and 6 experienced a Jewish Cemetery Outreach session.

Y3 & Y4 also had a workshop at the Science Museum and Y1 and 2 will be visiting the Welsh Harp Outdoor Education Centre in the next few days.

Please continue to volunteer to accompany classes on trips as it really helps us with organisation and remember that any charges that are made go towards the costs of running the workshops not travel on public transport.

Phonics and reading workshop



Our parents and carers said it would be useful to have a phonics workshop – so we did!

Thursday 6th February 2020

During the session Ms Mannion explained and demonstrated the strategies that we currently use to teach children to read, so that parents/carers could continue to support their children effectively in their learning.

If you have any questions about phonics and reading please speak to Mrs Mannion.

The Donnington Vision:

Forward Together for Future Success

Our Values

- **Happiness & Positivity**
- **Kindness & Respect**
- **Belonging & Tolerance**
- **Responsibility for Ourselves, our Community and our World**