



*Lavington Park Federation
Graffham & Duncton Schools*

Friday Flyer Newsletter

9 February 2018

ROAD SAFETY

We're afraid we must emphasise again this week that we are enormously concerned about road safety at Graffham, particularly at morning drop-off around 8.45 – 9.00am. It can only be a matter of time before we have a serious incident involving children or adults on the very busy and difficult road outside of school.

PLEASE

- always park considerately and safely
- be very careful opening car doors and do not leave them wide open, making it difficult for other traffic to pass
- never stand and chat in the road
- concentrate on your children, where they are and how they are behaving on the road at all times
- be very aware of the minibuses arriving and dropping off / collecting children : these are difficult vehicles to manoeuvre, and drivers' visibility around their vehicle is very limited.

We ask that children – even Juniors – are never allowed to walk on the road outside Graffham school on their own, even if you think they are responsible enough to do so.

DO PLEASE CONSIDER

- dropping your children at Duncton at 8.30am, so that they can catch the minibus over to Graffham which

leaves at 8.35am (and which currently has plenty of spaces available)

- stopping at Graffham Village Shop to meet the minibus which collects there at 8.45am and brings children up to school.

Please let us know if you would like to take advantage of one of these two options, which will save you having to drive up to the danger zone outside school.

Reminder :

Bags of Support collection after half term ...

Just another reminder that the next collection of old clothing and textiles is on Wednesday February 28th. Sorry that we haven't yet received bags to send home – hopefully we might have these when we come back after half term – meanwhile, perhaps you could pile your items up at home, ready to be bagged up.

Swimming after half term

Year 4s will be swimming after half term, starting the Monday we come back, 19th February. Please ensure they have a full kit including Swimming Hat.

Year 6 will make up the couple of sessions they missed later in the year.

Graffham Tennis Club dates

Please see the attached poster for the Tennis Coaching schedule.

Sorry this was missing last week : it is attached this week!

The Tennis club AGM will be held at 7.30pm on Monday the 19th of March in the Pavilion

Tennis Key Exchange and Social Event

Sunday 25 March 2-4pm

This is membership renewal day - bring your racket down as

this year Richard Hopp our tennis coach will be on the courts during the afternoon to provide some free coaching and tips for any members who want to join in. Exact format will depend on numbers.

Tennis week this year will run from the 21st July –27th July

If anyone would like to play in league matches this year please contact admin@graffhamtennis.co.uk or for tournaments please contact davidcwsanders@googlemail.com

A message from West Sussex County Council

Are you or is someone you know interested in training to be a teacher? Are you a teacher looking for a new post? Are you interested in the new Teaching Apprenticeships? Want to know more about being a school bursar, teaching assistant, learning mentor, working in SEN roles or clerk for a governing body? Are you interested in working for our Adult Education team? Have you considered being a school governor?

West Sussex CC is holding a Recruitment Fair on Saturday 24th February at Ifield Community College in Crawley, RH11 0DB. The event will run from 1000 – 2.00pm, you can drop in at any time. Come along and meet schools, universities and others organisations to find out about the many roles in West Sussex schools. For more information go to www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobsinschools where you can also find details of who will be at the event.

Friends of Graffham and Duncton Schools : News
Cake Raffle:

Graffham



Many thanks for baking this delicious choccie pear cake for Graffham Henry, and congratulations to Charlie Ray (Year 1) for bringing home the prize!

Dunton



Well done Jasper for winning Dunton's cake raffle & many thanks to our wonderful bakers!

School Lottery

Well done Louise for winning this week's school lottery with numbers 815809. With the weekly prize now up to £28.20 plus the chance of winning the £25k jackpot and knowing you're supporting the school, what are you waiting for?!

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

Happy Half Term Everybody!

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<https://www.facebook.com/friendsofgraffhamanddunton>

Graffham and Dunton Parents – a closed group specifically for parents.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/425147974318865/>

Graffham Nursery

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=graffham%20nursery>

The collection of additional 'flyers' giving information about local news and events is now sent as a separate attachment to this email.

Please note these are sent out for your information and do not have any direct connection with the Federation or our staff members.

If for any reason you don't receive the weekly newsletter by email, you can always read it on (or download it from) our website. It is uploaded there on the afternoon it is issued.

<http://graffhamandduncton.w-sussex.sch.uk/newsletters-the-friday-flyer>