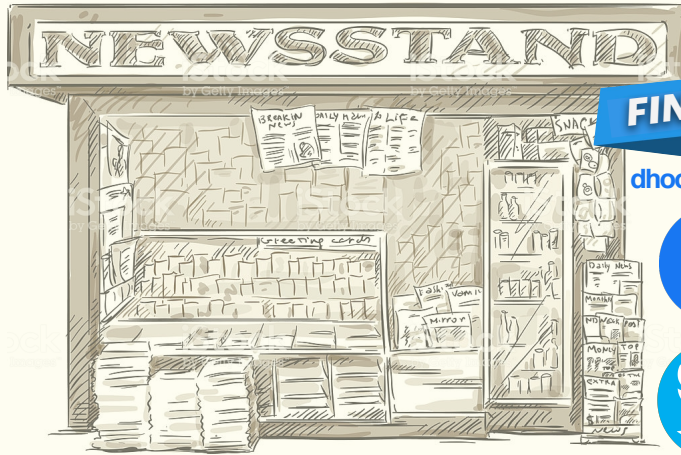




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Dates for Your Diary

- 16.06.23 Shred House Skateboarding
- 21.06.23 Isle Listen Workshops
- 26.06.23 New Starters' Live Webinar (1.30pm)
- 27.06.23 Y5 Trip to Rushen Abbey - Life Path
- 28.06.23 Sound of Magic at Villa Marina Rehearsals (PM) Performance (Evening)
- 29.06.23 New Starters - Visit Day 1 at 9.30am
- 30.06.23 New Starters - Visit Day 2 at 2pm
- 01.07.23 Millennium Football Tournament
- 03.07.23 Y5 Mini Residential at Venture Centre
- 04.07.23 Y5 Mini Residential at Venture Centre
- 05.07.23 School closed for Tynwald Day
- 06.07.23 Y6 "Taster Day" at RGS
- 07.07.23 End of Year reports published
- 12.07.23 Governing Body Meeting
- 14.07.23 Y6 Edge Hill University Trip
- 15.07.23 Parish Day (details TBC)
- 17.07.23 Y6 Leavers' Assembly at 2pm
- 21.07.23 End of Summer Term

This is not an exhaustive list! The homepage of our school shows a live calendar of events - check it out

Message from Mr Kelly

With the children finishing school at the end of May, followed by just over a week off for TT, it has made the June newsletter feel quite late even though it is the first Friday of the month in term-time (and in keeping with our usual newsletter timetable!). There is plenty going on over the next five or six weeks in our school with trips, visitors, performances and treats aplenty. Alongside all of the end-of-school-year-fun, the teachers will still be keeping a sharp focus on making every day count in terms of teaching and learning. With so much going on, I trust the list of "Dates for Your Diary" is useful, but do keep your eye on the calendar on the homepage of our school website which contains constantly updated information about what is going on and when. *With very best wishes, Max Kelly, Headteacher*

Don't forget you can find us on Facebook & follow us on Twitter! Our website is regularly updated too: dhoon.sch.im



Slow Dhoon Campaign

The School Council led "Slow Dhoon" speeding campaign is well and truly underway! Motorists are asked to drive slowly and considerably past the school. The campaign has been supported by our school governors, local commissioners, police, Active Travel IOM, Road Safety IOM, and even featured in the Manx Independent in the run up to TT. Congratulations to the pupil council for instigating this campaign - let's hope it has the desired effect 😊



With the warm weather predicted to stay with us for most of next week, we have relaxed our dress code to allow comfortable non-uniform options for our pupils. We will review this at the end of next week. Don't forget to apply sunscreen before school, bring a sun hat and have a drink available.

FREE LUNCH

Free School Meals - Apply Now

The following are links for 2023/2024 Free School meals application forms.

<https://www.gov.im/categories/education-training-and-careers/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-free-school-travel-application-form>

<https://www.gov.im/media/34660/free-school-meals-travel-joint-application-form-2023-24.pdf>

End-Of-Year Reports

We will be publishing our end of year reports for every pupil in the school on Friday 7th July. These will be sent home with the children at the end of the school day in sealed envelopes. If your child is absent from school on Friday 7th July their report will be posted to you that evening and should arrive at your home with the next postal delivery thereafter.

Y6 Taster Days at RGS and SNHS

Those Y6s going to Ramsey Grammar School will be spending the 6th July at RGS, and those going to SNHS will be spending 4th July at Bemahague. There is no requirement for Y6 pupils to come to Dhoon School on the taster days for their school - pupils should use the days as an opportunity to practice how they will get to and from secondary school, using the bus service if intended. We send good wishes to Y6 for these taster days and hope that they prove interesting and enjoyable. (Please note - SNHS and RGS have their taster days on different days this year, so make sure you know the right dates for your school!)

End Of School Year Information

Classes for September and the allocation of teachers to those classes is almost finalised and will be shared with everyone officially in the July newsletter. As usual we will run a "moving up" session before the end of the term so that children can experience what their new classroom and teacher will be like.

The Year 6 Leavers Assembly will take place on **18th July 2023 at 2pm** in the School Hall. All Y6 parents and family members are welcome to join us for what promises to be an emotional send off to our Year Six children. More information to follow in due course but at least you can "save the date"!

New Teacher For Dhoon

As you will be aware from the May Newsletter, Mr Cross will be reducing his time with us at Dhoon School from September. We are sure you will share in our pleasure that he will remain with us for one day a week teaching music lessons across the school. We are also delighted to be able to inform you that Dhoon School has now completed the recruitment process for a replacement teacher and we are pleased to announce that Miss Ellen Barlow will be joining the teaching team on a full-time basis from September. Miss Barlow has experience of working in a range of schools in the Isle of Man, most recently as a Y6 teacher in Henry Bloom Noble School in Douglas. We are sure that everyone will join us in welcoming Miss Barlow to our lovely school community.

