



DILTON MARSH PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY NEWS

Friday 4th November 2016

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderfully relaxing half term break. The children have returned to school refreshed and enthusiastic about this terms topics. This week we held our first House Assemblies where we announced the winning team for term 1 – Merlin! They earnt an incredible 1318 house points last term, far more than we had originally anticipated would be earnt. Because of this we have slightly adapted our original plan of awarding £50 charity donation three times a year, to now awarding £25 six times a year. This means that there are now more opportunities for the Houses to earn money for their chosen charity. A cheque for £25 is on its way to The British Heart Foundation along with a letter from Merlin team explaining how they had earnt their donation. The tubes in the corridor have now been emptied and are ready to start being filled with this terms House points.

It has been a busy start to what is traditionally a busy term, however today school seems unusually quiet. All of Key Stage 2 are out and about. Chestnut and Willow class have travelled to Bath to step back in time and visit the Roman Baths. They have toured around the Baths and also participated in some Roman inspired Workshops. I think they will have been pleased to be indoors. Beech and Oak class however have braved the rain. They competed in a Cross Country Running event held at Matravers this morning. The children showed true sporting determination as they continued to run in what started as drizzle! Well done to all of you – a great team effort.

While the key Stage 2 classes have been out of school, the younger children have learnt about fireworks, pumpkins and even started their Christmas play songs today!

You will have noticed the building of our Outdoor classroom has begun. It is looking fabulous and we are so grateful to the FODS for raising the money to purchase the building. The children and staff are looking forward to using it in the coming months. Thank you also to Russel Covill the carpenter, who has also braved the rain today to continue to build!

I hope you have a lovely weekend. Enjoy the fireworks and bonfire celebrations.

PARENTS EVENING BOOKING

On Monday 14th and Wednesday 16th November we are holding formal Parents Evenings for each class. This is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's learning and find out their current targets.

Booking for all Parents Evening appointments this year is via our eSchools platform.

Today each child has been given a letter which contains your unique username and password for your eSchools account. The letter explains how to log in via the school website or by installing an eSchools app on you mobile phone or tablet. When logged in you can book Parents Evening appointments, view your child's attendance, receive notices and messages, and also access information about your child's class. This is something new we have set up, so please bear with us if you have initial niggles with the system, we are learning too.



Ruby(10) Alfie(9) Grace(10) Alby(7) Dylan(8) Adam(11)
Liberty(8) Arthur(8) Reuben(7) Baylee(9)
Erin(7) Joel(9) Flo(7)

Seasonal Flu Vaccination Programme 2016-17

We have been asked by the Public Health Authority to promote the 'Seasonal Flu Vaccination Programme 2016-17.'

Flu can be a very unpleasant illness in children and can cause serious complications so it's important to protect children. Vaccinating children means the infection is less able to spread so it helps to protect their brothers and sisters, and other family members and friends including their parents and grandparents.

In Wiltshire, the following children are currently being invited for the flu vaccination by their GP practice:

- all children aged 2, 3 and 4 years born between 1st September 2011 and 31st August 2014
- all children aged 4 & 5 in reception year at school and;
- all children aged 2 to 17 years with long-term health conditions

Children in school years 1, 2 and 3 have been offered the vaccination in school by their school nursing team, this is booked for Friday 25th November'16. For these children, the flu vaccination is given as a nasal spray.

For information, pregnant women, those aged 65 and over, anyone under 65 who has a long-term health condition and carers are also eligible for the flu vaccination through their GP practice or participating local pharmacy.

For more information visit: www.nhs.uk and search flu vaccination.

Do you have any good condition toys, games or puzzles you could donate to Breakfast Club or indoor play?
If you do, please hand to the office.

Thank you



Sports Corner

Cross Country

Today, I was fortunate enough to accompany Y5 & Y6 to Matravers School, to take part in a cross country competition; run for the local primary schools. Despite dreadful weather, the children's spirits remained high, their behaviour exemplary and they **all** completed the route set. Although we did not win, every child should be immensely proud of their contribution to the competition results, as part of the Dilton Marsh team. Jolly well done, one and all!

P. Southby

Thank you to Matravers School for organising this event and Mrs Miller, Mrs Beveridge, Miss Bailey, Mr Bullen and Mrs Southby for accompanying the children.

Football

Good luck to our Yr5/6 football team when they play in the tournament at Kingdown School on Monday.

We have our first Afterschool Girls Football Club starting on Tuesday!

Thank you to Miss Broad and Mr Broad for sharing their coaching skills with us.

We have 2 events booked so far:

Mon 21st November – Tournament at Kingdown School &

Fri 25th November – friendly match against Bitham Brook.



Out of school...

Ava passed Stage 4 swimming.

Emma achieved her 'white belt blue stripe' in Tae Kwon-do junior grading this week.

Well done to all our sports men and women, congratulations to you all.

Dates for your Diary

November

- Mon 7th Bikeability (Wk1)
Mon 7th Football Tournament at Kingdown
Wed 9th KS1 Oral Health talks
Wed 9th **CHERRY** Class Celebration Assembly
Sun 13th Remembrance Service
Mon 14th Bikeability (Wk2)
Mon 14th Parents Evening 3.15pm-5.30pm
Wed 16th **LIME** Celebration Assembly
Wed 16th Parents Evening 5pm -7.30pm
Fri 18th Wear spots for Children in Need
Fri 18th Children in Need Cake Sale 3pm
Mon 21st Girls Football Tournament
Wed 23rd Ash Class Celebration Assembly
Wed 23rd FODS Meeting 7.30pm
Fri 25th Yr1-3 Flu vaccinations
Fri 25th Mufty Day (bring donation for Christmas Fayre)
Fri 25th YR5/6 Girls Football Match
Mon 28th Mill on the Brue meeting for Year 5
Wed 30th Willow Class Celebration Assembly

December

- Fri 2nd Christmas Fayre 5.30pm-7.30pm
Sun 4th Shopping Trip to Southampton
Wed 14th Christmas Dinner
Fri 16th Carol Service in Church
Fri 16th Last day of term

January

- Tue 3rd Teacher Training Day
Wed 4th Return to school
Sat 7th Trip to Aladdin, Theatre Royal, Bath

N.B. PLEASE NOTE CHANGES –BACK TO THE ORIGINAL DATES, SORRY FOR ANY CONFUSION CAUSED!

Scholastic Book orders by Friday 11th November please.



Reporting Absence

Please notify the office of absence before 9.00am each day. If we do not hear from you, we will phone you to ascertain the nature of absence. *Please note:* a child with sickness or an upset stomach should remain away from school for 48hrs after the last episode of illness.

Tel: 01373 822902

E-mail: office@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk

This week: Attendance: 97.2%
Absence: 2.8%
Learning lost = 26.5days

Weekly Class Attendance Trophy

This week the winners are Ash Class
Congratulations



Contact us:

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School Registration times:

KS2-8.45am (Willow, Chestnut, Beech, Oak)

KS1- 8.55am (Lime, Cherry & Ash)

Little
Princess
Trust

Ava had her hair cut and kindly donated her beautiful hair to the 'Little Princess Trust.'

Well done, a lovely thing to do!



Friday 18th November

Wear spots to school for Children in Need in exchange for £1 donation on the day.

Parents Evenings

Mon 14th Nov 3.15pm – 5.30pm

Wed 16th Nov 5pm – 7.30pm



Community Cohesion

Our Christian value for the month is:
RESPECT

Each month we will have a focus on an important value in our school and within the community which will be high profile in class and feature in Assemblies

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Celebration Assembly

Every Wednesday 2.30pm

Please join us to celebrate the children's work

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Lunch Guest

This week we welcomed Rev Rhona Floate






Izzy, Malin, Joe & Hanna entertained our guest with Beef Hotpot & Vegetables followed by Chocolate Pudding & Custard



CHRISTMAS SHOPPING
COACH TRIP TO SOUTHAMPTON
Sunday 4th December
£10 each (return)
Leaving Dilton Marsh School at 9am, returning around 7pm
Tickets available from the school and Crowning Glory
PROCEEDS FOR PLAYGROUND RESURFACING

House Point Scores

HAWK		1165
MERLIN		1318
FALCON		1255
KESTREL		1174

Reminder: please drop KS2 children at the main door (even if they have younger siblings), so they can enter their classroom by themselves. This will allow the children to prepare themselves for the day and be ready for prompt registration at 8.45am. This format does not mean you are unable to speak to your child's teacher, it just means an appointment for a brief telephone call or meeting needs to be made through the office.



Christmas Fayre
FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER
5.30 - 7.30 PM
DILTON MARSH PRIMARY SCHOOL
MEET FATHER CHRISTMAS IN HIS GROTT
All Welcome.
PROCEEDS FOR OUR PLAYGROUND RESURFACING PROJECT