



DILTON MARSH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY NEWS

Friday 28th April 2017

What a wonderful start to the term we've had this week. It was lovely welcoming everyone on Monday morning and hearing all the Easter holiday news. It appears not as many Easter eggs have been eaten as I thought!

This term's new whole school theme is "We're going on an adventure." Already this week the excitement has been palpable as children in the younger classes have been discussing pirates and opening pirate treasure boxes. The children in Lime class were surprised and excited to receive a parcel containing pirate flags, gold coins and treasure maps. Cherry Class have made these wonderful Pirate collages already. They were very keen to tell me all about walking the plank!



Erin in Year 4 wrote a wonderful poem this week inspired by the water cycle as they launched their work on desert islands, shipwrecks and exploring rivers and coastlines. I have been very impressed in all classes this week with the enthusiasm and attitude to learning on show everywhere.

Mrs Withers and the children in Lime and Cherry Classes had fun in the hall on Monday playtime using the parachute. Lots of giggling and excitement was had as the children took turns running underneath.



The Change 4 Life lunchtime club had the skipping ropes out this week and our Sport Ambassadors with Mrs Chalke's help, started a skipping league table. Lots of children entered seeing how many skips they could manage in 30 seconds, the reigning champion at the moment is Tillie in Year 6 with an impressive 82 skips. Mrs Chalke is in the lead for the staff entries with a rather impressive 80 skips in 30 seconds.

After school clubs have started this week – the most we have ever had to offer! As well as lots of sports clubs and nature in art, we have a new Newspaper club. Watch this space as we launch a new fortnightly children's newsletter. Miss Tout has lots of exciting ideas and I know the staff are looking forward to being interviewed by our new roving reporters.

Mrs Beveridge and Eco-Club have been busy this week filling the raised beds outside Ash Class and the new Poly tunnel. Lots of seeds have been grown so we are keeping our fingers crossed for a bumper crop of sweetcorn, peas, radish, tomatoes, potatoes and beetroot. If you have any spare plants or seeds at home, Eco Club would love to grow them.

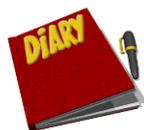
This week we joined in with the nations theme of elections by holding our termly class votes for new School Council representatives. The children in each class were asked to vote on slips of paper for the boy and girl they feel would represent their class well in school. The role of a school council member is an important one as they are role models for the school, they discuss ideas and make suggestions on behalf of each class. Our new representatives are:

Lime: Evie Brown & Alex Green
 Cherry: Emma Osborne & Marshall Chorley
 Ash: Lyra Reed-Hammond & Thomas Goff
 Willow: Caroline South & Emmanuel Sanni
 Chestnut: Shannon Pierce & Isaac Broomfield
 Beech: Ruby Yates & Oliver Hoodless
 Oak: Savannah Ayres & Joe Wilkins

Also this term, the children in Willow and Chestnut are going to be launching our own election on the theme of Biscuits to tie in with the local and general elections.

Enjoy the long weekend and we will see you all on Tuesday.

Dates for your Diary



May

Mon 1st **Bank Holiday**
 Wed 3rd Chestnut Class Celebration Assembly
 w/c 8th KS2 SATS Week
 Tues 9th Bags2Schools collection day
 Wed 10th No Celebration Assembly
 Fri 12th Class Photos
 Fri 12th Oak to Warminster School for tennis
 Mon 15th Orienteering AT Southleigh Woods
 Tues 16th Wiltshire Choir of the Year
 Wed 17th Cherry Class Celebration Assembly
 Mon 22nd Quad Kids at Bath University
 27th-29th Scarecrow Trail weekend
w/c 29th **Holiday**

June

Mon 5th **Return to school**
 5th-7th Year 6 Residential to Mill on the Brue
 Wed 7th Ash Class Celebration Assembly
 Wed 14th Beech Class Celebration Assembly
 Wed 21st Kwik-Cricket at Warminster Cricket Club
 Wed 21st Tag-Rugby Tournament at Frome Rugby Club
 Wed 21st Lime Class Celebration Assembly
 Fri 23rd Yr6 Leavers Service at Salisbury Cathedral
Mon 26th **Teacher Training Day**
 28th& 29th Yr6 Matravers Induction Days
 Wed 28th Willow Class Celebration Assembly
 Fri 30th Yr6 Junior Good Citizens

July

3rd-6th Yr6 Kingdown Induction Days
 Wed 5th No Celebration Assembly
 Fri 21st Break up for the Summer

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 or e-mail: office@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk

This week:

Attendance: 96.4%
 Absence: 3.6%

*12 days learning time lost
 this week*

Weekly Class Attendance Trophy

This week the winners are Lime & Cherry with 100% attendance!

Congratulations



School Registration times:

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

KS1- 8.55am
(Lime, Cherry & Ash)



Free advice and support for children

Birthdays

Sophie (9)
James K (5)
Ayden (5)



The **SAINSBURY** tokens collection box is in the main reception area. Please help us collect as many as we can.

Can you help?

Oak Class require some paperback books as part of an activity. The books need to be in good condition and of course, appropriate reading material.

If you have any you could donate, please hand in to the office as soon as possible.

Thank you



Please ensure your child brings a **HEALTHY** snack to school for their break.

Also, please ensure snacks and packed lunches do not contain nuts as we have children in school with nut allergies.

Thank you for your co-operation



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Quote of the Month:

Confidence comes not from always being right but from not fearing to be wrong.

- Peter T. McIntyre



Treetops Breakfast Club

We currently have spaces at our Breakfast Club

Monday-Friday

Open from 7.30am-8.30am



THIS WEEKS MATHS CHALLENGE...

How many ways can you put 10 sweets into 3 bags, so that each bag contains an odd number of sweets?

Answers to Mr Bullen by next Friday please. There will be a certificate for the best response!

We have several unclaimed cake boxes in the main reception area, please check if they are yours.

Thank you





House Point Scores

HAWK		134
MERLIN		146
FALCON		116
KESTREL		183

Sports Corner

There have been no events to attend this week, but as we are sure you have noticed, we are offering a wide variety of 'sporty' After School Clubs.

We also look forward to the Year 6 tennis session at Warminster School on the 12th May and the Orienteering Competition on the 15th.

Out of school

Ruby Y passed Stage 6 swimming.

Jessica D passed Stage 8 swimming.

Wilf, Alby and Noah H-G all swam in the Marie Curie Swimathon on 9th April. Wilf swam a whole 1.5k on his own, Alby swam an amazing 25 lengths and Noah swam a very unexpected 12 lengths - he thought he could only do 5! They have already raised more than £240 for Marie Curie and there's still time to sponsor them at:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/swimathon-2017-Wilfs-Swimathon>

Thank you!

Congratulations to you all



Community Cohesion

Our Christian value for the month is:

JUSTICE

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

The Big Breakfast

Dilton Marsh Carnival Committee is cooking up a treat again on Saturday 29th April from 8.30 to 11am at the Memorial Hall, High St, Dilton Marsh.



All tastes catered for from a full English breakfast to tea and toast. Bring family and friends for a leisurely start to the weekend. Funds raised will go towards Dilton Marsh Carnival on September 17th 2017.

For more information contact:
Kathy Hutt on 07708 351323

Now available from the office...



Scarecrow Trail Sheets £3

&

Tickets for our new Film Event 'STORKS'

£3.50 per child (includes a Hot Dog & Popcorn)

