

# DILTON MARSH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL FRIDAY NEWS

# Friday 13th October 2017



It is calm and quiet in school as I write this message, not that that is unusual, but as I have just been on my daily drop in tour of the school I understand why, everyone is busy beavering away on lots of different activities. Over in Oak class our older children were busy solving calculations using BODMAS, Beech Class were busy editing their mystery stories with their purple polishing pens and Chestnut Class were hard at work finding non unit fractions of numbers. The children in Ash class were busy reviewing their writing from yesterday and setting themselves targets for their future written work, Cherry Class were busy testing their spellings, (I saw lots of lots of 10 out of 10) and finally Lime Class were all sat listening intently to Rourke's Show and Share time. I didn't forget to drop in on Willow Class, I spoke to them in the corridor as they were out and about in groups with the Road Safety lady, putting their theory from last week into practice as they walked through the village. Maybe you spotted them and Mrs Miller in their Hi-Viz jackets?

Another exciting thing that has happened this week was Chestnut's wonderful Celebration Assembly on Wednesday afternoon. The hall was packed again with lots of parents and friends of the school as we learnt all about volcanoes. The children read their Newspaper reports full of detailed descriptions of Pompeii, shared their impressive art work, demonstrated a practical science session on states of matter and as a finale they wowed us with the rendition of the 6x table performed to the backing track of OMI's Cheerleader complete with choreography. Well done Chestnut Class, Miss Tout and Mrs Cooper.

This week we have had lots of visitors in school, all of whom have commented on the caring, hardworking, friendly and polite nature of our children. You will remember last week I mentioned our SIAMs Inspection. Mr Neil Revell, the inspector, spent the day in school on Thursday, talking with groups of children, staff, parents, Academy Councillors, Revd Rhona and representatives from the Acorn Education Trust. He observed lessons and joined us in our morning worship. He will be writing up his report, which we will receive after half term. Unfortunately, I am unable to announce how we got on until the report comes through so watch this space.

Our Staff Development Meeting this week was spent on new initiatives to introduce across school with the purpose of raising the profile of Maths even higher. Look out for forthcoming Maths events next term and for the rest of the year. The children will be arriving home with a password soon for a new programme we have bought called TT Rockstars. It's a programme used to improve the rapid recall of times table facts. There is an app you can download for the children to use at home. If the excitement from the staff is anything to go on, the children with love it – especially the competitive parts of the app and designing your own rockstar name! Along with this we will be holding a "Help your child with Maths" parent's information session next term and there will be competitions and house challenges all with a maths theme. Look out for more information to come from Mr Bullen our Maths lead in school.

Don't forget we are only back in school two days next week before the half term holiday starts. Enjoy your weekend and see you all on Monday.

Jill

Look out for the Lime Class photo in the Wiltshire Times today

NO CLUBS NEXT WEEK

# School photos Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October

If you would like photos with pre-school siblings, please arrive at school at 8.30am

# **School Registration times:**

**KS2-8.45am**(Willow, Chestnut, Beech, Oak) **KS1-8.55am**(Lime, Cherry & Ash)

# Can you help?

We are currently looking for people to listen to readers... If you would like to help, all you need is to have a DBS check.

Please speak to Ali or Vicki in the office.

Thank you

#### **Achievements**

Chloe Hudd and Evie Lawrence have been selected by the Wiltshire Rural Music to perform in the ABRSM High Achievers Concert in November.

Congratulations to you both

## **Dates for your Diary**

# **October**

Mon 16th Willow Class trip to Whatley Quarry

Mon 16th NO DANCE CLUB

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Girls in Science at Bruton School

Wed 18th Teacher Training Day

19th -29th Holiday

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Return to school
Mon 30<sup>th</sup> SCHOOL PHOTOS

# November

Wed 1st Willow Class Celebration Assembly
Mon 6th Chestnut Class to Hidden Woods
Mon 6th Beech & Oak Chocolate Workshops
Mon 6th Girls Football Tournament at Kingdown

Mon 6th NO DANCE CLUB

Tue 7<sup>th</sup> FODS Meeting 7pm at school

Wed 8th Lime, Cherry & Ash Tropical Discovery Workshops

Wed 8th Ash Class Celebration Assembly

Thu 9th School Disco

Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Cherry Class Celebration Assembly

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Children in Need Cake Sale

Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Lime Class Celebration Assembly

#### **December**

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Christmas Fayre 5.30pm-7.30pm Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> Shopping Trip to Southampton

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Rotary Carol Concert Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Flu Vaccinations

Wed 20th Break up for Christmas

January

Thu 4th Return to school

# **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: 97.7% Absence: 2.3 %

Learning time lost this week: 17.5 days

# Weekly Class Attendance Trophy

This week the winners are Ash & Oak Congratulations



#### **Contact us:**

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# WEEKLY MATHS CHALLENGE...

Bean-bag buckets

Dan threw 3 bean-bags.
Each bag went in a bucket.
More than one bag can go in a bucket.

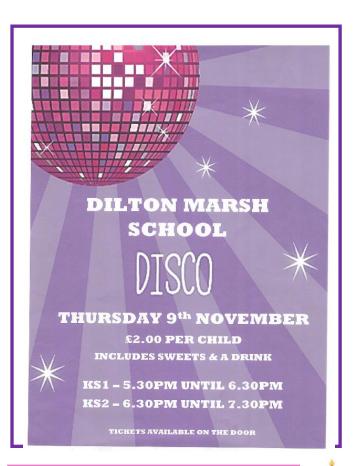






- 1. What is the highest score Dan can get?
- 2. Find three ways to score 6.
- 3. Find three ways to score 9.
- 4. What other scores can Dan get?

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



# **Birthdays**

Alex(6) Ben(5) Chelsea(11)



Caprice(10) Aidan(5) Ethan(5) Thomas(7) Charlie O(10) Amelia K(10) Jessica M(9)

# The BIGGER your challenges the BIGGER your opportunity for growth!

# **Treetops Breakfast Club**

**Monday-Friday** 

Open from 7.30am-8.30am

£4 a session

Forms are available on our website or from the office



Please label all uniform, PE kits and coats so we can ensure they are returned to their owner if misplaced. Thank you

# **Sports Corner**

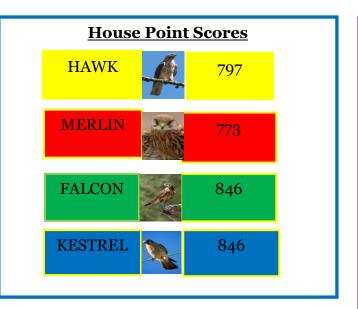


Our Sports Ambassadors, Lottie & Oliver attended the Young Ambassadors Conference at Trowbridge Civic Centre on Monday. We look forward to hearing about their future plans for our school.

#### Out of school

Josh L passed Stage 3 swimming. Charlie H passed Stage 4 swimming





Please place your dinner orders on









# **Community Cohesion**

Our Christian value for the month is:

# **Thankfulness**

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

# **Lunch Guests**

This week we welcomed Mrs Farndale & Mr Cunningham –School Governor & Academy Councillor



Cheyann, Adam, Matilda & Rhys entertained our guests with Chicken & Broccoli Bake with vegetables followed by Cherry Crumble & Cream

# Fairfield Community Garden Project

For the last three weeks, students from Fairfield College have been weeding, digging and planting.

The students completed this project by planting some bulbs ready for the Spring.

Thank you so much to everyone who took part in this project, we appreciate all your help and look forward to seeing the bulbs wake up in the Spring.



# **Change4Life**

Our School Sports Council led a Change4Life Archery Tournament during lunchtimes this week. The children who helped this week have shown some exceptional leadership skills. They have also logged scores, helped younger children load their bows and awarded stickers to any child

displaying excellent sporting values.

## The results were:

Monday: Kestrel Tuesday: Falcon Wednesday: Hawk Thursday: Kestrel Friday: Hawk

Overall winners: Kestrel & Hawk

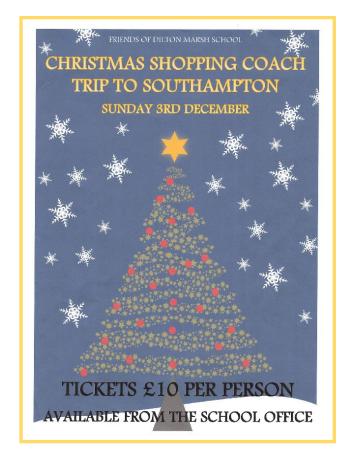












# Dilton Marsh Parish Council Logo Competition

Dilton Marsh Parish Council does not currently have a Council logo.

They are looking for a picture or image that you feel 'represents' Dilton Marsh.

Draw your idea on to a sheet of A4 paper, you can use paint, felt tip pens, pencil or a computer to create your logo.

Hand your design into the school office by Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October'17.

Don't forget to write your full name and your class on the back.



