

DILTON MARSH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL FRIDAY NEWS

Friday 1st March 2019

Welcome back to school after a busy and sunny half term. How bizarre the weather is - we started February with snow and ended it with record high temperatures! Let's hope the good weather stays as we have several school outings planned for this term. Lime class are off to the farm, Ash Class to Marwell Zoo and Chestnut to Hidden Woods. A huge thanks to FODS for supporting these trips in order to reduce the costs to families.

This week FODS committee invited all parents to join them to discuss events over the remainder of the year. Next Friday there will be a Cake Sale – home baked donations welcomed. The next FODS meeting is on Tuesday 26th March, 7pm in the Prince of Wales. The main focus of this session will be to plan the Easter Egg Trail on Thursday 4th April. Everyone is welcome – just turn up!

We are pleased to welcome Miss Williamson back to school this week. Over the next couple of weeks Mrs Clifford will continue teaching the class, alongside Miss Williamson, as she completes a phased return to work. Huge thanks to Mrs Clifford for teaching the class so wonderfully over the last term.

Jill Hibbs

Attendance Update Term 3

Last term was a tricky one for Attendance as we had a lot of illness, during the term we had colds, headaches, sickness and Chicken Pox.

Fingers crossed that we will be a healthier bunch in Term 4.

Fortunately, there are some children who have managed to escape the bugs and have maintained an attendance of 100%, they are;

Lime - Meira, James, Esme

Cherry - Ethan, Logan, Oliver, Jessica,

Ash - Emilie, Ayden, Alex, Ellie, Evelyn, Olivia, Finlay-Ray, Eleanor, Archie (Cameron 1 term.)

Willow - Matthew, Lucia, Imogen, Emily

Chestnut - Henry, Chloe, Joshua, River, Gabriel

Beech - Luke, Aurora, Harry, Monte, Maddison, Anna, Jessica, William,

Oak - Jessica, Caprice, Maddie, Joe Jones, Thandoe, Alfie, Mia M, Mia W, Erin.

Well done to all of these children, keep up the fabulous attendance.

We also have many children whose attendance is at 98% or above. They are celebrated on the class Attendance posters and will be shared with you on the class newsletters.

The rewards for all of these children will be sent out over the next week, there is still time for other children to gain the attendance awards during the rest of the year and at the end of the year there will be a special treat for all children with an attendance of 98% or above.

Celebration Assembly

Most weeks we hold a Class Celebration Assembly where we welcome families in to school to celebrate the children's amazing work.

Our next Celebration Assembly will be on Wednesday 6th March and will be Ash Class. Please join us at 2.30pm.

Forthcoming events:

- Chestnut Class swimming lessons
- Gymnastics Competition
- Athletics Competition



Can you help Maisie?

Maisie is kindly collecting used stamps for RNIB (Royal National Institute for the Blind), to support people with sight loss. Please help Maisie by saving your stamps and bringing them to the office.

When you cut your stamp off the envelope, please leave approx 1cm around the stamp.

Please do not include post office printed labels or franking machine labels.

Thank you for your support



Community Cohesion

Our Christian value for the term is: **COURAGE**

Each term 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

After School Annual Pass

Fairwood Lakes have introduced a new pass which gives entry to their soft play from 3pm onwards, Monday to Friday, during term time.

Each pass will cost £10 which is a huge saving as usual admission is £2.50 for 1-3 year olds and £4.75 for children 4+

On top of this already fantastic deal, Fairwood Lakes have chosen to make this a school fundraising opportunity where the **ENTIRE** funds raised will go to school!

Thank you Fairwood Lakes.

If you would like to buy a pass, please speak to the office (Payment: cash only)



House Point Scores

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HAWK	4	814
MERLIN		833
FALCON	A	79 7
KESTREL		1,072

Achievements:

- Erin won a Gold Medal in the Southern Team Gymnastics Competition
- Morgan achieved a Yellow Belt in Tae-Kwon-Do

Congratulations



Amelia J(5) Emmanuel(10) Charlie A(9) Tyler (6) James L(8) Jessica W(6)





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<u>Treetops Breakfast Club</u> Monday-Friday

Open from 7.30am-8.30am £4 a session

Forms are available on our website or from the office

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:95.8% Absence:4.2%

Weekly Class Attendance Trophy

This week the winners are Chestnut Class





Ash Class were very lucky to have a visit from Mrs. Kenney who is a Mental Health Nurse on Monday. She came to talk to the class about 'Being healthy-inside and out.' We talked about our Emotions and what happened when we felt each emotion, we thought about where we feel these emotions and what happens to our bodies when we are happy, sad, angry, worried. We talked about safe people who we could go to for help and what these people might do to help us. We then had the opportunity of using some of the equipment that doctors use.

Using stethoscopes was great fun as we got a chance to listen to our heart beats and then thought about how our heart rate changed if we became anxious, this then led to a discussion about ways to help ourselves if we were feeling anxious about anything.

Our Top Tips were- lots of exercise, eating healthily and drinking water. At the end of the time Nurse Jaz gave us all stickers that could be our 'Happy Buttons,' we all chose where to put them and to remember that we can use them if we are feeling upset or sad to remind ourselves of the ways to help ourselves feel better.

Thank you to Mrs. Kenney for joining us, we look forward to your visits to the Key Stage Two classes soon!



Lime Class have been learning all about our postal service this week and enjoyed posting their own letters this morning.



Every week, two children from each class are awarded the 'Shining Star' certificate. This award is given to children that are setting a good example by showing extra effort with their learning, perfect behaviour or generally having a good attitude to every aspect of school. Although this is celebrated in our Friday assembly, we thought the children deserved a special mention:

Lime Class: Orla & Faith Cherry Class: Tallulah & Maisv Ash Class: Wilson & Poppy Willow Class: Joshua & James Chestnut Class: Harriet & Chloe Beech Class: Emmanuel & Caroline

Oak Class: Theo & Ruby

Congratulations to our 'Shining Stars'



Each week, our Sports Coach will choose a 'Super Sports Star' from each class.

This week the awards were given to:

Lime Class: Freddie H Cherry Class: Harriet Ash Class: Seraphina Willow Class: Thomas P Chestnut Class: River Beech Class: Kian Oak Class: Amelia



Congratulations to our 'Super Sports Stars'

https://www.yourschoolgames.com

Sports council need your help...

We are hoping to create a 'Imagination Pod' in the playground and are looking for donations of loose items such as ...

- Large cardboard/ plastic tubes
- Guttering/drain pipes
- hose pipes
- lengths of material
- netting
- ropes
- crates
- containers etc



If you have any suitable, please hand in to the office.

Thank you in advance,

Mrs Chalke and Sports Council





Dates for your Diary Wed 6th Ash Class Celebration Assembly 2.30pm Wed 6th **Gymnastics Competition Chestnut Class Swimming** Thu 7th Fri 8th EYFS & KS1 'Stay & Play' for parents 8.30am Fri 8th EYFS & KS1 Coffee Morning 9am Fri 8th 3pm FODS Cake Sale Wed 13th Cherry Class Celebration Assembly 2.30pm Thu 14th **Chestnut Class Swimming** Choir to perform at Lions Concert Thu 14th Fri 15th **KS2** Coffee Morning 9am Fri 15th Red Nose Day Tue 19th Ash Class trip to Marwell Zoo Wed 20th Lime Class Celebration Assembly 2.30pm Thu 21st **Chestnut Class Swimming** KS1 & KS2 Maths Evening for parents who were unable to attend last time Thu 21st 6pm Acorn schools Athletics Competition Mon 25th Tue 26th FODS Meeting at The Prince of Wales 7pm Wed 27th **Parents Evening** Thu 28th **Chestnut Class Swimming** April Tue 2nd Lime & Cherry trip to Peipards Farm Wed 3rd **Parents Evening** Wed 3rd **NO ART CLUB** due to Parents Evening Thu 4th Easter Service in the church followed by Easter Egg trail at 3pm 2pm Fri 5th **Teacher Training Day**

FODS update:

w/c 8th & 15th

Mon 22nd

Tue 23rd

Thank you to everyone who supported our meeting on Tuesday. There were 11 of us - the highest number we have had for a while.

Easter Holiday

Return to school

Bank Holiday

The committee decided it would be nice to have class representatives. In the long run, we would like to change the representatives on a termly basis, so if you could help us out, please speak to your class representative.

This terms representatives are:

Lime: Zoe Hills

Cherry: Sarah Church & Rebecca Durham

Ash: Leanne Smith Willow: Phoebe Brazier

Chestnut: Sarah Yeadon & Lucy Budd

Beech: Anita Reeves Oak: Jo Lambert

Our very kind representatives will keep you informed of forthcoming events, will sell tickets when required eg. Easter Egg & Scarecrow Trails and will always be grateful for offers of help as well as willing to hear about any fundraising ideas you may have. Please support them, they do a fantastic job helping FODS raise money to enhance every child's school life.

Forthcoming FODS events:

Fri 8th March – Homemade Cake Sale Thu 4th April – Easter Egg Trail Wed 22nd May – Film Night 8th & 9th June – Scarecrow Trail

Sun 9th June – Cream Teas

Thu 18th July - Disco

Fri 5th July – Summer Fayre

